

Friends of the Blindman Meeting Minutes

September 10 2026

In person attendance:

Ryan Nichol, Assar Grinde, Daniel Iseli-Otto, Roger Van Haren, Tony Blake, Josh McMurray, Pat Lapointe, Kim Wiggins, Christina Seidel, Mike Byzitter

1. Called to order at 7:07 pm. Approval of agenda, motion by Josh, seconded Kim, passed.
2. Adoption of June minutes. Motion to approve by Tony, seconded Ryan, passed.
3. Treasurer Report
 - a. Ryan gave his report.
 - i. Account balance \$6450 with a \$15.75 credit at Minuteman.
4. Monitoring
 - a. CABIN sampling - Tony will pursue this.
 - b. Temperature probes - We will remove them after Sept 15.
5. Advocacy
 - a. Daniel gave an update on the Narwhal article and meeting with NDP energy and environment critics.
 - b. Roger gave an update on the RMA resolution.
 - i. Discussion surrounding RMA resolutions.
6. Funding
 - a. Lacombe Environmental Award
 - i. Roger discussed potential of our group being nominated for the award.
 - b. Letters to companies/municipalities.
 - i. Assar sent out some letters to municipalities.
 - ii. Sponsorship policy draft review
 1. Discussion around draft presented by Assar.
 2. Motion by Ryan to accept template, seconded Tony, passed.
7. Communications
 - a. Website Design Committee
 - i. Discussion around website decisions.
 - ii. Ryan and Daniel will meet after this meeting.
8. MRWS updates
 - a. n/a
9. Municipal Updates
 - a. Roger gave his updates.
 - i. Discussion around Gull Lake pumping, bitcoin mining near Tees.
10. New business
 - a. Daniel gave an update on Warburg Surface Rights meeting and Data Centre Meeting in Lacombe
 - b. Tony gave an update on World Rivers Day September 27 Capstone Park 10am
11. Next Meeting October 1st 7:00 pm Forshee Hall.

12. Adjourned 8:00pm