

## Friends of the Blindman Meeting

February 5 2026

In person attendance:

Ryan Nichol, Assar Grinde, Roger Van Haren, Myrna Pearman, Derek Hansen, Daniel Iseli-Otto, Kim Wiggins, Josh McMurray, Connor Layton

1. Called to order at 7:02 pm. Approval of agenda - motion by Myrna, seconded Ryan, passed.
2. Adoption of January 8 2026 minutes. Motion to approve by Kim, seconded Ryan, passed.
3. Public Forum - quick introduction with Josh.
4. Logo Decision - Motion to approve V.2 revised with cut hay diagonal lines by Ryan, seconded Derek, passed.
5. Bank account decision - we will wait to open account, tabled till the next meeting.
6. AGM planning
  - a. Assar gave a run through of his presentation of the annual report in preparation for the AGM.
  - b. Discussion around presentation.
  - c. Discussion around motions required at AGM.
  - d. Elect Directors and Auditors - need a list of candidates.
  - e. Speaker gifts and compensation - Kim will pick up.
  - f. Advertising - Assar gave Haleigh's update.
  - g. Pizza/Refreshments - Piccolo Pizza will give us a deal.
  - h. Voting System - will be show of hands
  - i. Grant application - RDRN - approved up to 2500\$
7. MRWS update - Connor
  - a. Future meeting with Brian Jean and new Environment Minister and municipalities. March 16 2026. FOTB could create a letter of support for MRWS.
  - b. MRWS will be buying a well monitor and will do well testing in order to create a database and will possibly require volunteers.
  - c. They are considering stopping the water sampling due to cost. They will, however, carry on with CABIN sampling.
8. Municipal update
  - a. Roger met with Gull Lake Watershed representatives
    - i. The group plans to pull significant amount of water from the Blindman River for stabilization of the lake as per their water licence.
    - ii. They are drilling a test well into the Hanes formation and hoping to drill more to aid with the stabilization.
9. New business
  - a. Kim motions that we have a table with a petition from Water not Coal, seconded Myrna, passed.

10. Next Meeting - AGM Feb 25 2026, walkthrough at 4 pm

11. Adjourned 8:40 pm.