



**Friends of the Wells
Meet Summary
April 13, 2026**

Item 1. Call to Order

Chairman Sonya Morgan called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Sonya Morgan, Sabrina Grant, Lisa Morgan, Reggie St. John, Melinda Mehaffy, and Courtney Cole.

ABSENT: Mark Spohn

Visitors/Guests Present: None

Item 2. Approval of meeting Summary from March 9, 2026.

Reggie St. John made a motion to approve the meeting summary.
Sabrina Grant seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote: Motion Approved 6-0-0

Yes: Sonya Morgan, Sabrina Grant, Lisa Morgan, Reggie St. John, Melinda Mehaffy and Courtney Cole.

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Item 3. The Financial Report for April 2026.

As of March 9th, FOTW Community Foundation balance was \$4,174.27

April Other Trails book money - \$79.95

April 2026 FOTW Community Foundation balance is \$4,254.22

Petty cash - \$74.11

Item 4. Unfinished Business.

1. Lithia Well #1 report by Bartlett & West: proposed conceptual approach use with data collected from testing of the Lithia Well #1 near the Hall of Waters building is as follows: for well rehabilitation and on site dispensing, water is suitable for local public consumption, we can sell it but it cannot be bottled for commercial sales. This memorandum is not for permits, but a precursor to obtaining a permit. This report is being sent to Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR). We are waiting to hear back from DNR to confirm regulatory expectations.

The well can dispense 500 gallons of water a day, there will be a storage tank storing the Water on the mezzanine level at the Hall of Waters feeding up to the water bar for dispensing.

Committee is thinking cups could be purchased at the water bar for people to sample the Water.

2. Waterfest participation.
June 26, 6 pm - 9 pm (Friday)
June 27, 9 am - 9 pm (Saturday)

We will be doing tours this year instead of a booth outside. We will offer a walking tour, tours on the trolley, also tours of the museum inside the Hall of Waters and possibly showing a video of an interview that was done with David Lockwick inside the hall. Will decide later where it will be located.

Sonya is going to see about printing some more walking tour brochures to assure we have enough for the event. Discussion about ways to give away the ducks. Discussion about putting a QR code at the pagodas for tourist to donate to FOTW.

High School students will need some A-plus hours. Sabrina will contact the school to see if the school would let them do it and possibly dress in period attire for the tours. Gathering the students together the week prior for training.

For tours insided the hall, George Moon should be asked and Courtney Cole volunteered. Lisa Morgan has volunteered to work the interview video with David Lodwick. Sonya and Diane Montague will do whatever is needed.

Reggie asked what impact do we anticipate the World Cup will have on this year's event? Melinda said there is a game that day and we don't anticipate that many will come.

3. Possible next wells for testing:
Richard Turner in previous minutes said he recommended testing the sulfa saline well and Reopening the bath departments. He said the sulfa saline wells are the deepest and should Be looked at first in his opinion.

They are located at:

201 E. Broadway (The Hall of Waters)
200 E. Broadway - soda water
215 E. Broadway (possible construction debris)
501 Regent - lost in the river/flood plain
505 Elms Blvd. - while sulfur (behind the church at the bridge; construction debris)
Also one at the end of Main - flood plain
Another one at Salem and Kennedy - flood plain
Jones Soda Well #1 - owned by the city

Melinda suggested checking with Chad to see if he knew which ones would be the best
To test, he would know what ones have debris in them.

Discussed doing the Siloam well in the front yard of the Hall and building it up so it
would be level with the walkway. Possibly having a splash pad for kids in the front yard
of the Hall.

Lisa and Melinda thought we should work on the well in the Hall next, so two types of
Water would be available to taste at the water bar and it would possibly be the least
Expensive to do. Then go to the pavilions next for testing.

Item 5. New business.

No new business.

Next Meeting:

May 13, 2026 (Wednesday) at 6:00 pm due to conflict of Citizen Leadership Academy
Graduation.

Reggie St. John made a motion to adjourn at 7:18 pm.

Sabrina Grant seconded the motion.

All ayes to adjourn.

Minutes prepared by FOTW Secretary Lisa Morgan.