

Friends of Point Beach State Forest (FPBSF)
Monthly Board Meeting Minutes
Point Beach State Forest Lodge
Tuesday, May 8, 2007

Board Members Present: Joe Schermetzler, Randy Beecher, Dave Meyer, Nannette Krause, Tim Myers, Don Peltier, Debbie and Mike Timm, Ed Ashenbrenner, Kevin Duvenceck, Bob Pilzak, and Terry Farr

PBSF Representative Present: Guy Wilman

General Member Present: Darla Ashenbrenner

Board Member Absent: Angie Peltier

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by President Randy Beecher.

Approval of the Minutes

All board members had read the minutes prior to the meeting. There were no additions or corrections. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as written. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Bob reports 56 current paid memberships. The cleanup weekend/Soup and Song resulted in a loss of \$221.21; however, that loss included the rental expense of \$382.00 for a road sweeper. The checking account balance as of May 8, 2007 was \$1,813.98 and savings was \$9,225.27. There was no discussion. A motion was made and seconded to accept the treasurer's report as presented earlier in the evening. The motion carried.

Old Business

Bench Report

The bench orders have all been completed.

Park Report from Guy

- There are a lot of Point Beach State Forest Pins left over from a few years ago. The FPBSF should decide what to do with them.
- On May 22, 2007 at 11:00 a.m., the Secretary of the DNR will be at the park for about an hour. Guy would like at least one representative from the FPBSF to be at the park for this event.
- The Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program was created in 1989 to preserve natural areas and wildlife habitat, protect water quality and fisheries, and expand opportunities for outdoor recreation. This is a \$60 million dollar program that expires in 2008. Governor Doyle would like to continue and expand the program to \$100 million per year. This is a very important program for the State parks. For more information visit the web site – <http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/stewardship/overview.html>

Web Site

Bob received two bills for two different amounts from the FPBSF web site provider. Don will check to see what these bills are for.

Park Cleanup

The 2007 park cleanup went well; however, more guidance and organization is needed pertaining to the duties of the work crews. It was decided that the rental of the bobcat was worth the money and it will be rented again next year. There was only one noise complaint; although, all the campers were warned about the cleanup during registration. It was suggested to do the cleanup a week earlier in 23008.

The Soup and Song after the cleanup was well attended. There were many positive comments about the food and music. A thank you will be sent to Phil Rohrer for making the soup and his monetary donation. A thank you will be sent to Erin O'Brien for donation of time and musical talent. A motion was made and seconded to send Erin a \$25.00 gas gift card to contribute to her travel expenses. The motion passed. It should also be noted that FPBSF members Nannette Krause and Esther made and donated soup for this event. The board will consider doing something similar after the 2008 cleanup.

Breakfast in the Forest

The Breakfast in the Forest will be held on Sunday, June 3, 2007. The menu and prices will be the same as last year. Randy will contact Leigh Stegemann to confirm the food order and check to see if the Sheboygan bike group will be attending. Debbie will check with Natural Ovens about bagel prices. Bulk cream cheese will be purchased and put into individual containers. Terry will check about purchasing some restaurant approved serving utensils. Randy will check on serving trays. Posters will be distributed to area businesses and cable channels and the newspaper will be contacted for publicity. Setup and fruit preparation at the lodge will be on Saturday, June 2 at 7:00. Workers will be called for Sunday in addition to those who signed up at the General Membership meeting.

Halloween Weekend 2007

Stone Walk/Lodge Front

See minutes for the April 10, 2007 general membership meeting. In addition, Debbie will contact a member of the Manitowoc County gardeners group to see how the group could help.

Endowment Fund

A short discussion was held about an endowment fund. Randy will be contacting Randy Swetlik for help with this venture.

New Business

Park Projects

Randy asked the board members to think about park projects that could be started after the lodge front is complete.

At 8:45 p.m., a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried.

The next meeting will be held at the Point Beach State Forest LODGE on Tuesday, May 8, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.

Submitted by Debbie Timm