

**Friends of Point Beach State Forest (FPBSF)  
Monthly Board Meeting Minutes  
City of Two Rivers Fire Department Community Room  
Tuesday, November 14, 2006**

**Board Members Present:** Randy Beecher, Kevin Duvencneck, Debbie Timm, Dave Meyer, Ed Ashenbrenner, Joe Schermetzler, Nannette Krause, and Bob Pilzak.

**PBSF Representative Present:** Guy Willman

**Board Members Absent:** Mike Timm, Tim Myers, Don and Angie Peltier

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:50 p.m. by President Randy Beecher.

**Approval of the Minutes**

There were two corrections for the October 10, 2006 board minutes.

1. The Ice Age Trail does use portions of other trails in the park. The October minutes falsely stated that the Ice Age Trail does not use parts of other park trails.
2. At the October 10, 2006 meeting, Ed made a motion that the Nesco roasters not be lent out to any other group or individuals. The minutes falsely stated that Ed made the motion that no FPBSF equipment be lent out to any group or individuals. The final motion did include all equipment; however, it was an addition by another board member.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as corrected. The motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report**

Bob distributed reports that included the checking account transactions, the savings and certificate of deposit, and the past four Halloween Weekends. A motion was made and seconded accept the treasurer's reports as presented. The motion passed.

**Old Business**

Benches

There has been one new bench order. It is ready to be assembled.

Park Report

Guy reported that the 2007 State park stickers will be available on November 27 at the same cost as the 2006 stickers.

The photo contest has been a success. It was suggested to ask the Two Rivers High School photo class to judge the entries.

The camping and the park day use were down from 2005. Guy feels the gas prices were the main reason for the decline.

## Halloween Weekend

Halloween Weekend went well thanks to the hard work and cooperation of the members of the FPBSF. Special thanks to Mary Swoboda who did a great job organizing the food sales and to Nannette who conducted the pumpkin carving, took care of the campsite contest, and used her talents to create many wonderful prizes and awards.

There was a long discussion about the Halloween event.

1. The food and shirt sales were good.
2. Randy will purchase some ladles, spoons, and rags.
3. Nannette would like to expand the campsite contest to include more levels.
4. The prizes for the pumpkin carving should be cut back.
5. There is no longer a need for trick-or-treat signs; they hide the campsite numbers.
6. Having a raffle, could help with some of the expenses.
7. Thank you notes need to be sent to the prize, food, and pumpkin donors.
8. Each board member will write a report about his/her contribution to the event to go into a Halloween Weekend folder.
9. This event could be shared with another group such as the Coast Guard or a service organization.
10. This event could be held on two weekends.

Guy suggested that the FPBSF incorporate an educational portion into the Halloween Weekend. Peninsula Park has a theme each year. This year, volunteers dressed like a spiders and then used props or skits to educate the visitors about spiders.

There was a discussion about including the Halloween shirts in the profits and losses for the event because the shirts can be sold over a period of years. Guy suggested getting a cash register for the shirt sales. It would be easier to keep an inventory. He also mentioned that there needs to be more large sizes of the non-Halloween shirts and sweatshirts kept at the check in station.

Bob reserved some baker's racks from the Cook's Corner. They will cost \$300.00 and be used for storage for the FPBSF supplies. A motion was made and seconded to purchase these racks. The motion carried.

## Rhythms of Our Rivers Project

Erin O'Brien, a singer/song writer who is working on a musical project to benefit the Wisconsin watersheds will be entertaining at a house concert in the home of Carol and Bill Gruetzmacher on November 30, 2006. The FPBSF will be sponsoring this event.

## Friends of the Friends

The Friends of the Friends plaques for 2006 will be ordered before the end of the year.

## Newsletter

Darla Ashenbrenner requested that she receive newsletter articles before the end of November. Randy will write about the Ski/Hike, Nannette will put together a Halloween article, and Guy will submit an article and possibly a camping recipe from Joan. The new membership form will be included with a reminder about paying 2007 dues. Some of the newsletter is already completed.

### Parking Lot Project

It was decided to get some electrical connections to the parking lot bridge before the ski weekend.

### **New Business**

#### Brochures

New FPBSF brochures (500) will be printed and distributed in appropriate areas.

#### Candlelight Ski/Hike

A brief discussion was held about the Candlelight Ski/Hike. If possible, there will be a beach trail this year – depending on the weather. Happenstance will be asked to entertain from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and then from 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Randy will take care of setting this up. Additional plans will be made at the December meeting.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed.

The next meeting will be held at the park board room on Tuesday, December 12, 2006. The January meeting will be held on the 9<sup>th</sup>.

Submitted by Debbie Timm