

Friends of Point Beach State Forest (FPBSF)
Monthly Board Meeting Minutes
FPBSF Board Room
Tuesday, September 11, 2007

Board Members Present: Randy Beecher, Debbie Timm, Ed Ashenbrenner, Kevin Duvencek, Joe Schermetzler, Nannette Krause, Dave Meyer, Terry Farr, and Mike Timm

General Member Present: Darla Ashenbrenner

PBSF Representative Present: Guy Willman

Board Member Absent: Bob Pilzak, Angie and Don Peltier, and Tim Myers

Call to Order

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

Approval of the Minutes

Board members were given time to silently review the August minutes. There were no additions or corrections. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes as written. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

In Bob's absence, Randy presented the treasurer's report. A copy was passed around. Ed requested that all board members receive a copy of the financial report at each meeting. It was agreed that this will be done. After a brief discussion, a motion was made and seconded to accept the treasurer's report as presented. The motion carried.

At the time of this meeting, there were 63 paid family and single memberships for the year 2007.

Current Issues

Bench Report

There are two benches routed and two left to assemble. A discussion was held about ordering new materials.

Park Report from Guy

- Interviews for the park's maintenance supervisor position are being held on September 15.
- There are some park projects that need to be completed. Because of park staffing, Guy is looking for a person or two who may be interested in working on these projects.

Halloween Weekend

- Mary Swoboda will be contacted about taking charge of the food. Food may be served beginning at noon and ending at an undetermined time. At this time the menu will be chili, hot dogs, cookies, donuts, cider, cocoa, coffee, water, and soda. Popcorn was also discussed. Prices were discussed; however, not finalized. Phil Rohrer will be contacted about the chili.
- Nannette is looking for someone to take charge of the pumpkin carving. The Two Rivers High School will be contacted to see if any students would be interested in leading or helping with this project for community service credits.

- The costume parade will be held at 5:20 p.m.
- Trick or treating will be at 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.
- The roads will open at 7:15 p.m.
- “Happenstance” will perform from 7:30 – 9:00 p.m. and from 9:30 – 10:00 p.m.
- Prizes will be awarded at 9:00 p.m.
- Ed and Mike will pick up the pumpkins
- Bob will be asked to get the gift certificates.
- The T-shirt inventory is sufficient; however, 10 sweatshirts of each size will be ordered.

Wiring

The wiring project is near completion. Electricity will be available where needed for Halloween.

Fall Mushroom Event

A state mushroom group will be coming to the park on October 6, 2007.

Newsletter

A discussion was held about improving the newsletter. It was suggested to form a newsletter group. There are general members who have interest and experience in this area. They will be contacted. Pictures and thank yous to the FPBSF supporters need to be included in the next newsletter. The needs of the group should also be included.

Jr. Ranger Program

A discussion about contributing to the Jr. Ranger Program ended in a donation being tabled. Some board members felt strongly that the FPBSF should purchase the program supplies for Point Beach, only. Other members were willing to donate to the program as a whole. It will be brought up at the General Membership meeting.

New Issues

Board Members Terms

A discussion was held about how the three year board member terms were set up. Five board member's term will expire at the end of 2007. They are Randy Beecher, Ed Ashenbrenner, Nannette Krause, and Angie and Don Peltier. Voting to fill these positions will take place at the General Membership meeting on Tuesday, October 9, 2007. Any FPBSF member can submit his/her name to vie for one of these positions. Each of the current outgoing people can remain on the board if voted in. **NOTE: CHECK WITH BOB**

Projects

After a discussion on future projects and grants, it was decided to dedicate one meeting, Tuesday, September 25, 2007 at 6:30, for a planning session. Ideas to be discussed are as listed:

- The lodge – landscaping, wiring, windows, trim, tuck pointing, handicap accessibility
- Addition to the check in station/office
- Cabin for disabled
- Endowment fund
- Playground

Randy will invite Dennis Swetlik and Jerry Kirchner to the planning meeting. In the past, they have helped the FPBSF with financial and grant writing advice.

Postcards

New postcards should be ordered by January. At this time, it will be decided if new pictures should be used.

Fundraising

Fundraising ideas were discussed. Kevin knows a person who puts on fish boils. Kevin will get details.

Signs

It was decided to get direction signs made before the breakfast in June.

Dogs on Beach

A brief discussion was held about allowing dogs on the beach. There are special areas designated for dogs.

General Membership Meeting

The Fall 2007 General Membership meeting will be held at the City of Two Rivers Fire Department on Tuesday, October 9, at 6:30 p.m. Randy will send out reminder cards.

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

The next board meeting will be held at the City of Two Rivers Fire Station on Tuesday, October 9, 2007, following the General Membership meeting.

Submitted by Debbie Timm