

**MINUTES-FRIENDS OF DONALD PARK, INC. MONTHLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:
07/21/09**

IN ATTENDANCE: Board: Mary Feldt, Matt Marty, Roger Parr, Vickie Peterson, Merry Ross, Pat Schultz. Recording Secretary B. Hartman

Meeting was our summer poolside party, held at the home of Pat Schultz, but due to rain we viewed the pool from inside. Meeting called to order by President Roger Parr 7:05 P.M.

REVIEW AGENDA: Motion by V. Peterson/M. Marty to approve agenda with additions. Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES: June 16, 2009 meeting minutes accepted.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS: The following people will be sent a Thank You for their donations to our annual Father's Day Picnic. Steve O'Neill for his donation of ice cream and hotdogs, Miller and Sons for their donation of all the hotdog buns, condiments and paper supplies and Le'Cork Wine and Spirits for their donation of the root beer.

APPEARANCES: NONE

COMMUNICATIONS: NONE

REPORTS

SECRETARY REPORT: NONE

TREASURER'S REPORT: Vickie Peterson reported that she will be meeting with Ted Bailey and he will hand over all of the treasurer's records. Vicki is still researching the transfer to Quik Books and the need for a central server so that board members can access documents if needed.

PRESIDENT: NONE

ADMINISTRATIVE POSITION REPORT: NONE

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

ADMINISTRATION, BUDGET, FINANCE, AND PLANNING - No Report

MEMBERSHIP/COMMUNICATIONS: A couple of new memberships come in each month, keeping our numbers at about 135 to date.

MEMBERSHIP DATA TRANSFER: NONE

WEBSITE: NONE

VOLUNTEER COORDINATION: Jay Gullixson

Jay sent his report via email and Matt Marty reported as Jay was unable to attend the meeting. Matt and Jay met with Pat Hitchcock just prior to her surgery and a schedule of projects was laid out through the fall and into the winter months. Jay will put the schedule together and bring to the next meeting. Wayne Pauly has been leading the Tuesday group on projects such as wild parsnip control. The Crossings group from the University has asked to come out and work on a project on a Saturday in early August. A possible log removal project is in the works. Barb will coordinate their visit to the park. Roger has reserved Deer Creek for our annual meeting/volunteer appreciation event on March 27, 2010.

NATURAL AREAS:

Action Item: Matt Marty reported that he checked out the kiosk on Hwy G to determine what kind of repair work needs to be done. The foundation may need some repair.

EQUESTRIAN TRAILS: Roger Parr

Roger reported that the new trails that cross 92 are open and signed. Per DCP there are to be no horse trail crossing signs placed on Hwy 92. The outside areas have been mowed and the Preachers Cap trail has been trimmed. The trail by Deer Creek Sportsman's Club has been opened and signed and a trail has been cut through the Bill Haack land. Action Item: Roger discussed possible Eagle Scout projects with Brian Berkan. They were a mounting block, signs and a donation box for visitors.

EDUCATION AND INTERPRETATION: Matt Marty

Matt discussed Bob Birmingham's report. The digs this summer produced no new findings. Findings from earlier digs suggested a possible Clovis campsite, but none was found, just chips and napping flakes. Bob is finished with his work at the park at this time and a final payment to Bob in the amount of \$1500 is due. Matt met with a stone mason to look at the cabin foundation restoration and will report on the details of the bid once the Historical and Cultural committee meets.

Matt Marty's family held a family reunion at Mt. Vernon Park and a donation of \$350 on behalf of the Marty family was presented by Matt toward the restoration of the cabin foundation.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Action Item:

**Scheidegger Grant Update - Merry Ross will set up a meeting with Darren Marsh, Chris James and Tom Woods to discuss the next steps with our Interpretive Plan. We have the go ahead from DCP and expect County Board approval in the fall. Workshops will possibly be scheduled in January/February to lay out the plan. Merry is looking to set up a meeting with Tom Woods

**Cell Tower Update - Merry Ross composed a letter to be sent to the Plan Commission regarding the cell tower. A Motion was made by M. Ross/M. Marty to approve the letter. Motion carried unanimously. The Springdale Plan Commission has denied both sites that Verizon has chosen. The next PC meeting is scheduled for July 27 to work out new details and on August 24th the PC will make their decision regarding the second request from Verizon with a meeting on the County level to take place on August 25th. The final decision will be made at the Springdale Town Board meeting on September 9th.

**Kiosk Updates: Merry Ross stated that her husband, David Ward, wants photos sent to him to laminate for updating the kiosks. Dave's email is djward1@wisc.edu

Father's Day Picnic: All feedback received from guests at the Father's Day Picnic was positive. Merry and Dave Ross worked the hotdogs and root beer floats and they were all sold. A budget will be set up for next year's event.

NEW BUSINESS:

**Action Items

Bill Paying - Future reimbursement and payout of money to volunteers require a receipt, request form, review and approval of payout by board.

Fall Planning Meeting with DCP- Roger will contact the DCP to schedule a fall planning meeting.

Budget/Finance and Administration Meeting - Roger will set a meeting to put together a budget for 2010. The attendees will include Roger Parr, Merry Ross, Vickie Peterson and Mary Feldt.

REVIEW AND APPROVE BILLS:

Bills in the amount of \$1,938.63 were presented for review. A motion was made by M. Marty/M. Ross to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

Tuesday, August 18, 2009 6:30 p.m. at Springdale Town Hall.

Suggested Agenda Items:

Cell Tower Update

ADJOURN:

Motion by M. Ross/M. Feldt to adjourn by unanimous consent at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Barb Hartman, Recording Secretary