



## BOARD MEETING NOTES

Wednesday July 21, 2021  
4:00 pm – 5:30 pm  
Playground Pavilion  
Worlds End State Park

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### ATTENDING:

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Dave Engle – Chair

Michael Scott – Vice Chair

Michelene Scott – Treasurer

Kyle Fawcett – Social Media Outreach

Dan Mumford – Secretary – Editor

Lisa Engle

Dave Kowalewski

Ruth Rode

Tom Yarnall

Bill Kocher, Manager - Worlds End State  
Park

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### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

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Worlds End Day 2022:

- Saturday July 30, 2022.
- Bill Kocher will reserve the pavilions: Cliff, LT and Playground.
- Talked with Carbon County Environmental Center re Franklin Klock and his eagles; has tentatively agreed to participate.
- Has also contacted Van Wagner – we have to decide what kind of program we want (historical, concert, etc.).
- Reptiland? Need to discuss with Michael Scott.
- Others: Mel Zimmerman (Clean Water Institute); Hellbender program; Susquehanna RiverKeepers; Audubon; NorthCentral PA Conservancy; Alpine Club.
- Do we want food vendors? Cindy McCarty?
- Geology program?
- History program?
- Need to pursue sponsorships.

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### VICE-CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

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Amphitheater Improvement Project:

- Concrete footers have been poured.

Crosswalk where Worlds End Trail Crosses Rt. 154:

- Possible safety issue where the trail crosses the highway near the park office. Cars speed through this area despite the low speed limit; and the curves in this area limit visibility.
- Maybe a flashing light, improved signage, crosswalk, etc.?
- Paperwork has been submitted to PennDot.

Ice and Firewood:

- Loop A shed needs a drain hole.
- Ice has been ordered.

Memorial Move:

There is a 1941 memorial near the Cliff Pavilion commemorating the first forest ranger and first game protector in this area. Over time, this area of park gets less traffic – so most people do not even see this memorial. This has now been moved by park staff to the entrance of the park office parking lot. Meeting tomorrow with PGC, Forestry and Park about scheduling a rededication ceremony (looks like September 18). Are researching for descendants who may be interested in attending.

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**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

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- Revenues are down somewhat compared to last year – likely due to decreased visitation as a result of the rainy weather. Also, last year was exceptional and not likely to be repeated.
- \$ 27,000.00 in project fund; \$7,000.00 in the general fund.
- Can cover the next 2 amphitheater payments (\$11,000 each). Next payment is now due.
- We received a 2-page letter accompanying a \$250 donation. Dan will scan and send to everyone. He will also prepare a thank you letter for Dave's signature.

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**SECRETARY-EDITOR'S REPORT:**

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- June 2021 Board Meeting minutes approved without additional revision or dissent.
- Has started drafting the autumn edition of the newsletter – expect to have draft for review at our August meeting and targeting release Labor Day/early September. Articles to include:

- Review of summer (archery, monument move, Jake Klinger return, old growth forest network).
- Amphitheater project.
- Dam repair project.
- Annual meeting notice.
- Look back at the floods of 2011 (Bill Kocher has provided discs with many pictures).
- Autumn feature: Lake Shuman.
- 2022 newsletters: for the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary, want to do feature articles on park history. Anyone with pictures, ideas, etc... please let Dan know. Ruth gave Dan a flash drive with pictures and materials.

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**PARK MANAGEMENT REPORT:**

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- Dam repair project continues – swimming area is closed. Heavy rains and high water is causing delays. Gravel bar has been removed from swimming area (32 loads of material).
- Ranger Tosi transferred to Loyalsock State Forest after 19 years at Worlds End. Only ranger at this time is the one seasonal ranger. The full-time position has been posted.

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**RUTH R. AND DAVE K. TRAILS REPORT:**

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- Ruth and Dave reported that they have been meeting and are finalizing work on the map – is close to being finished.
- State Forest camping spots have been re-numbered – see new map with the spots identified. [elibrary.dcnr.pa.gov/GetDocument?docId=2858649&DocName=Camping Policy 20200702.pdf](http://elibrary.dcnr.pa.gov/GetDocument?docId=2858649&DocName=Camping Policy 20200702.pdf)

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**SOCIAL MEDIA OUTREACH:**

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- Kyle distributed a new sign for posting on the kiosks pointing out all firewood and ice locations. Board reviewed and approved of the signs – well done – and requested that it be posted.
- Current social media reach totals approximately 8,970 people across multiple platforms.

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**NEXT BOARD MEETING:**

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Wednesday August 18, 2021 at 4:00 in-person at the park (Playground Pavilion).

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