



BOARD MEETING NOTES

Wednesday August 19, 2020

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm

Worlds End State Park – Playground Pavilion
82 Cabin Bridge Road, Forksville PA 18616

ATTENDING:

Dave Engle – Chair

Michael Scott – Vice Chair

Michelene Scott – Treasurer

Dan Mumford – Secretary – Editor

Lisa Engle

Dave Kowalewski

Ruth Rode

Tom Yarnall

Bill Kocher – Park Manager

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

- We will cancel the November annual meeting. The pandemic restrictions barring indoor gatherings exceeding 25 people makes the meeting problematic. We will instead invite people to contact us via email, etc. if they have anything they want to share with us. We can proceed with our usual monthly board meeting in November if needed.
 - Third woodshed on loop B of the campground may be built soon. Most of the materials have been obtained.
 - Lisa E. reported that the C&N Bank thank you was on July 31; the Sullivan Review thank you on August 4. This has been paid for. Will consider doing again next year.
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VICE-CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

- Archery sessions have also been well attended – one more class scheduled for Labor Day weekend (September 5). The park could use a new target.

MOTION:

Mic S. moves; seconded by Dave K.

To reimburse the park for the cost of a new archery target.

Jane S. will purchase and submit an invoice to us.

Motion approved without dissent.

- Re electric vehicle charging station in the park – Bill K. informs us that the park is “next on the list” to have one installed by the state. So any plans we had for installing one should be discarded.
- For discussion in September: contributing to the “Shop with a cop” program.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

- Firewood sales continue to be very strong in July and August.
- Currently: \$31,000 in total; \$18,000 of this will be in the special project fund.
- We need a new, large moneybox for the new third woodshed.

SECRETARY-EDITOR’S REPORT:

- July 2020 Board Meeting minutes approved without additional revision or dissent.
- 2 donation letters presented to Chairman for signature.
- Initial draft of the autumn edition of the Vista was distributed earlier this week. Please review and provide feedback. If anyone has summer park activities pics to share; please do so. Kyle has contributed photos of Loyalsock Creek that will be added to the autumn photography article. He also contributed a photo of Comet Neowise from Canyon Vista. Jane has also contributed some photos. We will announce the cancelation of the annual meeting – but invite people to contact us if they have something to say. I will prepare a revised draft and distribute this weekend. Goal is to have the newsletter “final” by Labor Day.

PARK MANAGEMENT REPORT:

- Campground continues to be very busy; a lot of first-timers and out-of-staters.
- DCNR has extended restrictions on gatherings through January. Indoor events are limited to 25 people – outdoor events limited to 250.
- 3 projects pending: Dam replacement – seems to have been shelved for now. Mineral Spring road – meeting next week and on 120 day timeframe. Highway 154 repairs – has been pushed back to September 2021 and will require a complete shutdown of the highway. This will mean shutting down the campground early.
- New park map/guide – still waiting for the proof to review. Likely not printed until sometime this winter.
- New seasonal ranger started on Monday.

RUTH R. AND DAVE K. TRAILS REPORT:

Ruth and Dave discussed status of their project “ *Falls & Views Loop: Exploring the Wildness of Worlds End State Park and Loyalsock State Forest*” – a map and guide for a 75 mile, four section backpacking loop featuring over 50 waterfalls and over 17 vistas. Would incorporate mostly existing trails. Ruth has discussed with Rick at Dept of Forestry; he stated that there are no restrictions on foot traffic in a state forest; but he encouraged us to be very descriptive on any bushwhacking and providing an alternative route if possible. Board agrees that while there is minimal bushwhacking involved, we do need to carefully describe and provide alternatives where we can.

MOTION:

Mike S. moves; seconded by Tom Y.

To proceed with this project.

Motion approved without dissent.

Board is also fine with using and modifying our current Friends map for this project. Dave and Ruth hope to have first part of this project available for review and discussion at our September meeting.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Wednesday, September 19, 2020 at 4:00 pm at the Playground Pavilion.
