



BOARD MEETING NOTES

Wednesday February 19, 2020

4:30 pm – 6:00 pm

Worlds End State Park Office/Visitors Center
82 Cabin Bridge Road, Forksville PA 18616

ATTENDING:

Dave Engle – Chair
Michael Scott – Vice-Chair
Michelene Scott - Treasurer
Kyle Fawcett – Social Media Outreach
Dan Mumford – Secretary – Editor
Tom Yarnall
Ruth Rode
Lisa Wilcox
Nancy Booterbaugh
Bill Kocher – Park Manager
Jane Swift – Park Environmental Educator

Prior to the meeting, park management and the Friends unveiled a new bench outside the park office dedicated to Ruth Rode – A True Friend of Worlds End State Park.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

- The annual report has been completed and submitted along with everyone's conflict-of-interest forms.
- Received a call from PPF thanking us for the timely submission of the above and asking if we have anything they could help with. Maybe tracking membership? Is time-consuming and manual process. Software could help – but licensing is expensive.
- Purple Lizard has offered us a complimentary ad on their new map. Kyle sent them our logo. The map is expected to debut by summer (May?). An unveiling event at New Trail Brewery in the Newberry section of Williamsport.

WORLDS END DAY 2020: Saturday July 25, 2020:

- Spoke with the Falconer at Winterfest. 45-60 minutes. Price around \$100, plus travel. Would need to go on first. Also need a sound-system?
- PGC can do a presentation. A bear presentation would have to do early. A display – robo-dear and robo-coyote.
- Organizations tentatively planning on:
 - Sullivan County Conservation District.
 - Northcentral PA Conservancy.
 - Audubon Society of Lycoming County.
 - Trout Unlimited.
 - Loyalsock Creek Watershed Association.
- Mike will contact Reptiland – will end the day with them.
- Tentative schedule: Start 10:00 or 11:00 with Falconer as the first presentation. Then a 2-hour gap for Falconer to pack up, and Reptiland to set up. Will also give people time to peruse exhibits and get lunch (McCarty Mercantile). End the day around 3:00.
- Dave will need help lining up sponsors. Lisa W. and Tom Y. offer to assist.
- Need to work on publicity, signage, handouts, etc. Will be in Endless Mountains Tourist Guide.
- Will need to get insurance again (was \$150 last year).
- Set up birdhouses to solicit donations.
- Jane will consider what she wants to do and will let us know.
- Will discuss further in March.

VICE-CHAIRMAN’S REPORT:

- Has contacted vendor about a second ice machine – at kiosk outside park office. Waiting for response.

MOTION:

Authorize \$600.00 for park staff to construct a woodshed for LOOP B of the campground.

Lisa Wilcox moves; seconded by Kyle Fawcett. Motion approved with no dissent.

- Will purchase a new cash box for this new woodshed (will also need one for the ice machine outside the park office if that happens).

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- This past month: \$1200.00 deposited; \$600.00 in expenses.
- Current Balance: \$20,000.00
- Project Fund has been established: \$12,000.00
- General Fund: \$8,000.00
- Just emptied cashboxes today – firewood sales have slowed down.

SOCIAL MEDIA REPORT:

Do we want to do something for KEEP PA BEAUTIFUL – through the end of May? Subsidized by PennDOT. We can also look into ADOPT A HIGHWAY – see PennDOTs website:

<https://www.penndot.gov/about-us/RoadsideBeautification/Pages/Adopt-A-Highway.aspx>

Will post a notice about our April 4 Earth Day trail maintenance on the East Branch Trail. Start-time 9:00. Will finalize details at our March meeting.

SECRETARY-EDITOR'S REPORT:

- January 15, 2020 Board Meeting minutes approved without additional revision or dissent.
- Distributed draft of the spring edition of The Vista. Targeting early March 2020 release. I will distribute a final draft for review and approval by the end of February. Articles include:
 - Cold Run trail – have been working with Warren R.
 - Ranger Bob S. retirement – received his input this week.
 - Amphitheater update.
 - 50th anniversary of Earth Day / April 4 trail work.
 - Summer preview/teasers/save-the-dates: Ultramarathon, archery classes, Worlds End Day, International Mud Day, etc.

- Kyle contributed some pictures.
- Will add an article about today's dedication of the park bench.

PARK MANAGEMENT REPORT:

- Circulated Poligon Wood catalog with possible amphitheater: approximately \$30,000 - \$32,000. Does not include stage, screen, floor, electric, etc. Target 2021 for this project.
- Jane returned to duty yesterday.
- Interviews soon for ranger position to replace Bob S.
- Also looking for an intern for this summer.
- Park just got the bid documents for Mineral Spring Road repairs (2018 flood damage).
- Dam repairs also this year? Still unknown.

TRAIL MAINTENANCE REPORT:

Trail maintenance day – will try for Saturday, April 4 (rain day April 11). This will be our 50th anniversary of Earth Day project. Will be removing beech stumps along East Branch trail. Start around 9:00am. Will finalize details at our March meeting.

Kyle will contact PPF to let them know about this project. (as part of their “50 projects” anniversary -as discussed in November).

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

- Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, March 18, 2020 at 4:30 pm at D & D Brew Works along Rt 220.
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