



BOARD MEETING NOTES

Wednesday June 16, 2021
4:00 pm – 5:30 pm
Playground Pavilion
Worlds End State Park

ATTENDING:

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

Lisa Wilcox

Tom Yarnall

Jane Swift – Environmental Educator,
Worlds End State Park

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

With the easing of pandemic restrictions, we will resume meeting in person, but outside weather permitting. We do still have the option of using ZOOM if weather is poor or if the meeting just needs to be a short one.

Attended, with Dave K., the June 12 Old Growth Forest Network event at the Park Chapel/Double Run Trailhead. Dave K. led a short hike up Double Run. DCNR Secretary Dunn attended – Dave E. discussed our groups efforts with her.

Was contacted by RAM firewood – the snack shop wants to sell firewood. We have no say over that – is a matter between the snack shop vendor and the park.

VICE-CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Amphitheater Improvement Project:

- Site is being cleared by park staff.
- Delivery of building materials will take a few weeks – around July 13.

Crosswalk where Worlds End Trail Crosses Rt. 154:

- PennDOT contacted B. Kocher (Christopher King). PennDOT has a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with DCNR which includes the protocols for these type of requests.
- 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.?

Ice and Firewood:

- Third woodshed on campground loop B is open for business – is still quite full – but the loop A shed will need wood soon.
- Some concerns with possible theft of wood from loop A shed – dollars seem “light” compared to amount of wood gone. Will monitor.

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. We want to move it closer to the visitor center parking lot entrance where it will get more notice. Park staff has agreed to this – and we will hold a rededication ceremony when this occurs. Are looking for descendants who may be interested in attending.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

- In the bank: \$ 31,000.00.
- \$ 20,000.00 in project fund; \$11,000.00 in the general fund.

SECRETARY-EDITOR’S REPORT:

- May 2021 Board Meeting minutes approved without additional revision or dissent.
- Summer 2021 edition of the Vista was distributed just before Memorial Day weekend.
- The autumn edition of the newsletter – want to do an article on the 10th anniversary of the September 2011 floods. Anyone with any pictures or anything else to share – please send to Dan. Also will include: summer event photos, dam and amphitheater construction photos, and autumn locations (Lake Shuman, Lake John, Splash Dam). If anyone has any photos to contribute or any other ideas for the autumn newsletter – please let Dan know.
- 2022 newsletters: for the 90th 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.

PARK MANAGEMENT REPORT:

- Dam repair project has started – swimming area is closed. Will hopefully be completed sometime in mid-July. Much of the swimming area has been filled in with rocks – this will be cleared as part of the dam project.
- New park map/brochure is not yet available.
- John Eastlake has passed away. He was a local historian, especially knowledgeable about CCC – who had often spoke at the park about CCC and Worlds End.

RUTH R. AND DAVE K. TRAILS REPORT:

- Ruth and Dave reported that they have been meeting and are finalizing work on the map – is close to being finished.

SOCIAL MEDIA OUTREACH:

Kyle reported that he is working on donation flyer.

PLANNING FOR 2022:

- We need to set a date for Worlds End Day 2022 – either July 23 or 30. Will contact Bill K. when he returns to make sure we are not conflicting with any other park activities.
- Programs: Franklin Klock (raptors) and Reptiland?
- Need to get sponsors to help with expenses.
- Will discuss more details at our next meeting.

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

Wednesday July 21, 2021 at 4:00 in-person at the park (Playground Pavilion).
