



BOARD MEETING NOTES

Wednesday January 15, 2020
4:30 pm – 6:00 pm
McCarty Mercantile
Hillsgrove PA

ATTENDING:

Dave Engle - Chair
Michael Scott – Vice-Chair
Michelene Scott - Treasurer
Kyle Fawcett – Social Media Outreach
Dan Mumford – Secretary - Editor
Lisa Engle
Dave Kowalewski
Tom Yarnall
Ruth Rode

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

It is annual report time. If you have not done so already, please give Dave your volunteer hours for 2019. Also, please complete and give to Dave your annual conflict of interest form – these need to be submitted to Harrisburg by January 31.

WORLDS END DAY 2020: Saturday July 25, 2020:

- We need a subcommittee to work on various aspects of planning. Lisa E. will help with donations. Dan will work on signage/posters/handouts.
- Need to publicize sooner and reach more outlets (WNEP etc.). Also more notices, posters, etc. Dan will contact Endless Mountains Visitors Bureau.
- Unfortunately, Carbon County Environmental Center (CCEC) may not be available due to transportation issues. We will keep in contact in case this changes – we can always find a slot for them.
- Animal acts popular; Kyle will reach out to see what he can find. Dan distributed information on Reptileland programs: <https://reptiland.com/zoo-extras/wildlife-programs/> . Around \$500 for one program; a second program for about \$200 more. We may want 2 programs if CCEC cannot make it?
- Will reach out to the same groups as last year (Audubon, Conservation District, etc.).
- Go with a shorter day; likely 11:00am – 3:00pm or 4:00 at the latest?

- PGC program? Maybe not because it is too late in the day?
- Music? Maybe a “wandering minstrel?”
- Will discuss further in February.

Future meeting locations: we may move around for future meetings (local establishments); and/or outside (park pavilions) in warmer weather.

VICE-CHAIRMAN’S REPORT:

Latest estimate for the amphitheater: For a 38’ X 52’ structure: \$29,000. This does not include electric, new screen, etc... is just the structure. Target 2021 for this project.

Re: park benches (following up on the November 2019 discussion): park has decided to re-finish what they have.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

- Current Balance: \$20,287.00
- Project Fund: \$12,000.00
- Working Balance for 2020: \$8,287.00
- \$904.00 on “missing” wood.
- Net profit on wood: \$11,300.00
- Net profit on ice: \$1618.00
- \$1288.00 profit on map and patch sales.
- \$425 profit on Worlds End Day.
- Approximately \$8000.00 in memberships and donations.

Other sales possibilities:

- Second woodshed in camping area – on B loop? Will discuss with park management.
- Kindling/firestarters/fatwood: appears to be a demand; but having trouble with finding a supplier. Will discuss with RAM and Lewis Lumber. Dave K. will check with Tractor Supply.
- A second ice machine – at kiosk outside park office? Will discuss with park management.

SOCIAL MEDIA REPORT:

Did some posting on GIVING TUESDAY and Ranger Bob S. retirement.

We have 1599 Facebook “likes.”

SECRETARY-EDITOR'S REPORT:

- November 20, 2019 Annual Meeting minutes approved without additional revision or dissent.
- Winter edition of the Vista was issued in December. Thanks especially to everyone who contributed winter-time pictures.
- Will soon start drafting the spring edition of The Vista. Targeting March 2020 release, hope to have a draft to review at the February meeting. Possible articles to include:
 - Cold Run trail.
 - Ranger Bob S. retirement.
 - Amphitheater update.
 - 50th anniversary of Earth Day
 - Maybe something on history of the cabin area.
 - Summer preview/teasers/save-the-dates: Ultramarathon, archery classes, Worlds End Day, International Mud Day, etc.
 - Anyone with spring-time pictures of the park, please email ASAP to Dan for the newsletter.

PARK MANAGEMENT REPORT:

Park management was not in attendance. Will get a report in February.

TRAIL MAINTENANCE REPORT:

Dave K. reported that he just performed some maintenance on East Branch Trail, removed some branches, fire rings, etc.

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.

We should let PPF know about this project. (as part of their “50 projects” anniversary -as discussed in November.

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

- Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, February 19, 2020 at 4:00 pm (NOTE NEW, EARLIER TIME). At the Park Office – 82 Cabin Bridge Road.
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