

# Friends of Lapham Peak

## Board of Directors Meeting

June 3, 2015

Board members present: Louise Borzynski, Mary Benson, Mike Fort, Rita Keber, June Kieckhaefer, Kris Maki, John McCarthy, Daya Pillay, Rick Von Haden and Dan Wiley

Absent: Karl Timm

Meeting called to order 7:04 pm.

May Minutes accepted as corrected: Old Business #2: An architect provided a rough draft for a new building/renovation. #6: Board will determine major issues and policy.

**Dates to remember:** Board meeting, Wednesday, August 5, 7:00 pm at Hausmann Nature Center

**Treasurer's Report:** Read and accepted. Received \$1,500 from Kohl's for help from Spring Work Day; \$500 will be designated to HNC. Two DNR partial grant payments were received: \$2,500 for invasive species and \$7,500 for Homestead Picnic Shelter. A total of \$750 received from three Colorama sponsors. Friends of Wisconsin State Parks will award FLP \$100 for park improvements which will be used for the Butterfly Garden. Bills presented, received and paid.

### **Old Business**

- 1. Summer Solstice June 20:** Rita spoke about volunteers and four tables needed for the event at HNC. Brett said park staff will place the tables in HNC.
- 2. Homestead Shelter:** Brett said all roofing materials can be removed from the kit and a new quote can be issued. DNR staff will not be able to construct the concrete base as previously discussed. He will speak with Jason Stein and share the kit information regarding beam and roof support structure. Brett will email the board with information regarding the roofing and discussion with Jason. Louise reiterated that Jason said he can get a crew to work on the picnic shelter. Brett will get the necessary paper work for dedication plaque approval from the DNR.
- 3. Colorama:** Kris stated 188 shirts left from previous Colorama events. Board voted long sleeved navy t-shirts with yellow lettering. 400 new shirts will be ordered. Chip timing will not have ankle chip straps but chips will be on the back of the bib. There will be a silent auction with proceeds toward snowmaking.
- 4. Butterfly Garden/ bricks path:** Dan will check resources for satisfaction from past customers. Liz prefers the gravel path and has ideas for brick placement areas within the garden.
- 5. Memorial bench/brick:** Brett and Rick worked on the draft. The draft will be forwarded to the board for their input especially regarding dollar amount per bench and time frame of perpetuity. Also discussed was a grandfather clause for previously purchased benches.

6. **Federal Recreation Trail Grant (FRT):** John stated 19 other grant applications were submitted. A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) agreement is needed regarding its benefit to park improvements. He will meet with a company representative regarding piping and fusing.
7. **Wales Green Market** was Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>. It rained, so displays were taken down early at 11:30 am. FLP pop-up tent could not be found, except for the broken tent, despite a frantic search by park staff. Board approved to purchase another tent. Brett will check with the Southern Unit for our missing tent.
8. **Hausmann Nature Center** opens this weekend, June 6 and 7.

### New Business

1. **PA system:** John checked with Shawn Becker regarding a used system. The cost would be \$1000; a new system costs \$2000+. Typical rental fee is \$75. Systems include two microphones, stands and two speakers.
2. **Friends of Wisconsin State Parks** Board of Directors will hold a meeting in the morning at Lapham Peak Saturday, June 13. Friends group from each region in the state will meet from 1-3 pm in a forum to discuss current issues. Louise and Dan will attend.
3. **Insurance:** Tom Klein contacted Kris to say he will pay insurance for the Loppet, ski series, Colorama and Summer Solstice. The Bike Swap would not be covered since he is not a sponsor. Tom will send the insurance certificates.
4. **Greater Milwaukee Foundation:** Rick informed the board of their community event dinner if anyone is interested in attending.
5. **Lapham Peak:** Brett stated there is an increased need for more law enforcement at the park. He and other staff wardens will wear official uniforms more often and on weekends. The local sheriff department covers the park at night.
6. **FLP News:** Rita will send out updated news to membership regarding National Trail Days/State Parks Open House June 6 & 7, Summer Solstice help June 20, new plants in Butterfly Garden, 30-30 Nature Challenge (exercise outdoors), help at McMiller shelter, and Paul Sandgren.

**Next meeting Wednesday, August 5, 2015 at 7:00 pm at Hausmann Nature Center.**

Adjourned 9:41 pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Rita Keber  
Secretary