

Friends of Punderson StatePark

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Minutes-February 23, 2010

Mr. Pavick called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m.

Present: Stephen Pavick, Marty and Jud Shelnutt, Chris Seminatore, Tom Mote, Don and Phyllis Pizmoht, Bev and Nick Fischbach, Jan Rybka, Andy Morrison, Travis Sines

Minutes

The minutes of the December meeting were approved.

Treasury Report

Ms. Pizmoht stated that the Friends of the Ohio State Parks annual dues are due. As of February 2, 2010, the balance in the Friends of Punderson account is \$ 9,325.88, including appropriated funds. Actual working funds are just over \$3,000. Due to limited funds, the Friends are not able to sponsor additional disc golf holes (baskets).

Mr. Fischbach indicated that the snowmobile is in need of repairs at a cost of \$290. Mr. Pizmoht moved to donate \$40 from the Friends of Punderson account to help with repairs. Mr. Seminatore seconded. With no objections the motion carried. Tom Mote donated \$50.00 from the Disc Golf Group to cover the rest of the snowmobile repairs. A check was written from the Friends Group account for \$50.00 and given to Nick. The \$50.00 came out of the Disc Golf appropriated funds and the Siberian Huskie Club donated \$200 towards the repairs.

Applications for the 2010 Legacy Grant must be submitted in April.

Punderson Park Report

- Mr. Fischbach reported that the park budget is expected to be cut again in Fiscal Year 2011.
- Park attendance in 2009 was 647,000, up 7,000 from 2008.
- Other items include:
 1. Gateway School high school students with an interest in horticulture will assist in planting flowers and shrubs.
 2. A butterfly house was built. Members decided it best to locate the butterfly house near the nature center at the campground.

Old Business

Disc Golf-Mr. Mote stated that funds are being raised for upgrades to the course through sponsorship.

Dog Sled Races-There were 34 teams competing in this year's races.

Trail Grooming-Mr. Seminatore stated that cross country skiers are appreciative of the groomed trails and may be interested in helping with trail maintenance.

New Business

Former secretary Pat Beebe passed away from prolonged illness. A memorial garden will be placed next to the gazebo.

Upcoming events (Volunteers are needed to assist with these events. All are welcome)

- April 17-Fishing Derby. Reservations are being taken for up to 80 children, ages 5-15.
- June-Cleveland Family Reunion (1 week long)
- June 26-Dedication of the W.B. Cleveland Nature Center and Road. The state officials will be in attendance. Mr. Hill is creating the new signage.
- July 10-Classic Rock (FM 98.5), Kiwanis, University Hospital and Friends of Punderson are hosting the all day concert on the sledding hill to raise funds for the Children's Project in Geauga and Lake Counties. Volunteers are needed from 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Friends of Punderson will be serving fair style food—perhaps ice cream or popcorn.
- August-Newbury Community Days. Friends of Punderson will have a membership booth and serve ice cream

Next Meeting Date / Time Tuesday, April 6, 2010 at the park office, 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Pizmoht moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. Mr. Seminatore seconded. Motion carried.