



Friends of Punderson State Park

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June 1, 2010 MINUTES

Present:

Liz Hill, Marshall Hill, Andy Morrison, Tom Mote, Travis Sines, Mike Ballash, Nan Owens, Norm Owens, Jan Rybka, Justin Yates, Phyllis Pizmoht, Don Pizmoht, Bev Fischbach, Nick Fischbach, Jud Shellnut, Marty Shellnut

Ms. Hill called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Ms. Hill introduced Justin Yates who attended for the first time. Mr. Yates lives near the park and remarked that he noticed there were a variety of activities being held in the park and he was interested in learning more about the Friends group.

The April minutes were reviewed. Ms. Pizmoht moved to approve the minutes. Ms. Fischbach seconded. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report-Ms. Pizmoht provided the Treasurer's Report. The current working balance as of May 22, 2010 is \$4,576.63. Encumbered funds include: Tinkers Creek grant-\$300.00; Cleveland Family grant-\$3,604.21; Disc golf funds-\$1.04. The account balance as of May 31, 2010 is \$8,481.88

Ms. Rybka moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Mr. Pizmoht seconded. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Old Business

Park Clean-Up-The park clean up was canceled due to weather, however a local Girl Scout Troop picked up litter and reported that the park was fairly clean. Ms. Hill would like to purchase bubble and corn hole bag supplies for use during the ice cream socials. Mr. Morrison moved to provide \$25 for the purchase of game supplies. Mr. Hill seconded. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Disc Golf Course Update – Mr. Morrison reported that \$326.04 was raised in sponsorship fees, \$222 was earned at the Singles Disc Golf event, and \$500.96 was earned through merchandise sales for a total of \$1,049. The course is being used and improvements are continuing. Tee pads (27) with etched bricks will be installed soon. Mr. Fischbach will work on getting the donation box installed.

Classic Rock Concert Update – The rock concert will be held on July 10th from 10 a.m. – 10 p.m. The Shellnuts are organizing the food sales and a work schedule. The Friends of Punderson will provide ice cream and desserts for sale near the pavilion. Volunteers are needed for the morning and evening shifts.

Cost of the event is \$8 in advance, \$10 at the door.

Mr. Fischbach reported that tickets are being sold and local scouts will be helping with parking, security, and rubbish.

Nature Center Dedication / Cleveland Family Reunion Update-The **William B. Cleveland** Nature Center dedication will be held on Saturday, June 26th. Volunteers are needed. The Friends of Punderson will offer cake and lemonade to the Cleveland Family and guests in attendance.

Ice Cream Socials – This year's ice cream socials at the Nature Center began in May and will be held each Saturday from 1-3:00 p.m. Volunteers have signed up to assist in June through mid-July. Four to five volunteers are needed each week between mid-July until mid-August. Ms. Fischbach reported that \$396 was earned at the May 30 ice cream social. Ms. Fischbach requested \$250 for supplies. Mr. Morrison moved to provide \$250 for Ice Cream Social Supplies. Mr. Hill seconded. With all in favor, the motion carried.

The members discussed placing signs about the Ice Cream Socials and the park entrances. Mr. Hill prices supplies. The cost for a 4' X 8' sign board at \$20 a sheet (could be cut into 12 signs) and 5 packages of removable and reusable vinyl letters are about \$19, and 7 wire stands are \$7. These signs would be weather-proof and reusable for many years, and 5 leftover pieces would be used for Fall Festival signs.

Mr. Morrison moved, via email, to approve providing \$50 to Ms. Hill to buy materials. Mr. Hill seconded. With no objections, the motion carried.

Father's Day is June 20th.

Archery Turkey Shoot – Mr. Ballash reported that the spring Turkey Shoot was not **well-attended**. The children from the campgrounds received free instruction and use of the bows. **From the investment of \$200 for trophies only \$80** was recouped during the event, which helped pay for the equipment. Additional donations are needed. A Fall Turkey Shoot is planned for September 11 from 8:00 a.m.- Noon. The course is now open to the public and bows can be borrowed for free.

Ms. Hill reported that the Friends group sold only 7 hot dog meals at the event. Of the \$100 allotted for food for the event, \$49.06 was spent but sales only recovered \$19.00 of the cost for a loss of \$30.06. Therefore, Ms. Hill suggested using the leftover foods to offer a special lunch for Dads, first come, first serve before the Ice Cream Social on June 19th. After a short discussion, it was decided to offer a hot dog, chips, and soda for \$1.50 to everyone that day.

Naturalist's Budget –Ms. Fischbach requested \$75 for supplies and small prizes for the Megan Accord, the Park Naturalist. Mr. Ballash moved. Mr. Pizmoht seconded. With all in favor, the motion carried.

FOP Shirts – Ms. Hill ordered polo shirts for active Volunteers that have been embroidered with the Friends of Punderson name and logo. She is adding each volunteer's name. The shirts with the logo cost \$14.50 each with a cost to the group of \$271.50.

Purchase of Freezer for FOP – Ms. Hill reported that the new freezer was purchased for \$170.66. It holds enough ice cream for the socials.

*New Business

New tables are needed for the various events that are being hosted. Mr. Pizmoht **moved to allow \$175** to purchase two 8 ft. tables. Ms. Ballash seconded. With all in favor, the motion carried.

Christmas in July – Ms. Hill, Pizmoht, Owens, and Fischbach have begun planning for the Christmas in July event at the campground on July 17th. Campers could decorate on Friday night. Santa Claus **MIGHT** visit and **candy canes will be given to all campers**. Ms. Hill has craft ideas or perhaps a cookie decorating or coloring activity and perhaps a raffle.

New FOP Bulletin Boards – Ms. Hill announced that new bulletin boards will be placed in the park washrooms. The boards will help advertise Friends of Punderson events.

Park News Update – Nick Fischbach reported that the fiscal year ends at the end of June. Park funds are extremely limited, especially due to park emergencies over the last 8 weeks. The new budget

year begins on July 1. No changes to staff. While there are no additional funds, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources-Division of Parks wants no cuts in programs and wants to see new ideas implemented with the help of volunteers.

Other

Mary Francis Conrad wrote to the Friends to request permission to hold a stage reading of Mid-Summer's Night Dream in the park but has never gotten back to Ms. Hill with further information.

Mr. Hill reported that the bill for the Friends website has been paid and an account set up with them to pay electronically in the future.

Ms. Hill said that shelves are needed upstairs in the Nature Center for organization and easy access of items and storage bins for Friends projects. She has asked Mr. Pizmoht and Mr. Hill to see what could be done.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m. Mr. Morrison moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Pizmoht seconded. With all in favor, motion carried.

*****NEXT MEETING – Tuesday, July 6th at 7:00 PM at the Nature Center.**