

## **Friends of the Outlet Annual Meeting April 27, 2016**

Peg welcomed people to the meeting.

Minutes: Norm moved to approve the minutes, Gwen seconded. Motion was carried.

Financial Report: Norm passed out report summary and explained it. Lions club will replace their port-a-potties. Affordable Portables will replace those removed for the winter. Motion to approve the report was by Gwen and Hatter seconded. Motion was carried.

Peg thanked Hatter for being on the board. He has been on for 6 years. Bylaws require him to be off one year before coming on again.

### **Committee Reports**

Website: All set.

Membership: Dave handed out summary of membership. We currently have 109 members.

Bylaws: Gwen talked about up-dated bylaws. She explained that we need to gradually expand the board of directors to 19. This year we will elect 4 new members taking us up to 13. Leona Jensen mentioned that the revised bylaws need to be sent to the Land Trust and the IRS. We all thanked Chuck for his work on the Bylaws.

Nomination: The 4 nominations for 3 year terms are: Tom McGuigan, Peg Thompson, Dan Condella, and Christy Hoag. For a two year term is Carol Worth and for one year: Leon Frontier. There were no nominations from the floor so Hatter moved that they be closed, Gwen seconded. The motion was passed.

### **Old Business**

Trail Conditions: John reported on the work he and Nancy did today removing the plastic pipe wedged in the sand of the creek below the falls at Seneca Mills.

Activities for the past year: Peg gave out a list of the year's activities.

### **New Business**

Vote to approve bylaws: Dave moved to accept the new bylaws, Mickey seconded. The motion was passed. Dave moved that we also accept the Conflict of Interest addition to the bylaws. Hatter seconded it. The motion was carried.

Election of Board Members: Gwen moved to accept the slate of officers, Dave seconded. The motion was carried.

Comments: Leona volunteered to give historical tours of the trail. Anyone interested should contact her. Hatter mentioned that we still want to do the geo-coding of the trail for the website. Steve Knapp has pictures of the trail with audio and along with the pictures, etc that Leona has, it all needs it to go somewhere safe.

Dave moved to adjourn this portion of the meetings at 7:55 PM. Norm seconded and the motion was passed.

## **Board of Directors Meeting, Wednesday April 27, 2016**

### **Election of Officers**

President: Gwen and Peg were nominated. Norm motioned they be closed, Tom seconded and motion carried. Peg was elected.

Vice Pres.: Gwen was nominated by Norm and seconded by Mickey. Hatter motioned that secretary cast one ballot.

Secretary: Nancy was nominated. Secretary cast one ballot.

Treasurer: Dave and Norm were nominated. Norm withdrew so secretary cast one ballot.

Director of Communications: Tabled till next meeting.

Discussion: Greenidge right of way: Peg did sign the paperwork that Don Snyder had approved. Dave moved that we approve retroactively that Peg sign. Nancy seconded. The motion was carried.

Discussion: Joint event with Humane Society of Yates: Peg and director of the Humane Society will meet to discuss a joint event that will bring more focus to both organizations. The Humane Society would like to have a chicken barbeque on the trail. We would get some of the profits.

Medallions: Hatter reported that they are: \$.88 each, any quantity and color we want.

**New Business:**

Discussion: Length of meetings: Peg mentioned last month we met until 9:45 PM. Chuck suggested that we put limits on each section of the agenda. If there is a ten minute limit and something is not resolved in that time it should be tabled until next meeting. Gwen mentioned that some ongoing items don't need to be on the agenda each month.

Selection of day/time/location of board meetings: Peg will set it up with Lyons Bank, for the same time and day: 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 7 PM.

Peg noted that we need a couple of new committees: Budget committee and Sign Standards committee. Gwen agreed to head the sign committee. Chuck noted that we need to look at our strategic plan that he is working on.

Peg applied for a grant from the Gordon Trust for placement of benches along the trail.

The Board agreed that we appreciate all the work that Hatter has done for the board.

Carlos Dieppa came to ask for help with determining where the property lines are for a piece of land he inherited. He would like to see if we can agree on where they are. Chuck noted that if we succeed in transferring the trail to the county we will need legal paperwork on the boundaries. Dave noted that there has to be a survey before agreeing where the line is. Mickey noted that we already did the survey when we wanted a trailer moved. Norm, Ivan and Mickey will go over the property with Carlos. We will have this looked at by Don Snyder.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:36. PM

The next meeting will be on May 18 at 7 PM at the Lyons Bank.