

February 9, 2015
Minutes
Friends of Croft

Present: Gary Purinton, Fern Powell, Stanley Bishop, Marie Biggerstaff, Rick Henderson, Will Beeker, Kevin Hames, John Moon, Bob Williams, Hobby Outten, William Campbell, Gary Biggerstaff

Fern presided over meeting as Past President.

Financials: \$18,656.63 in checking account. Approximately \$4000 is in the general fund and the rest is designated for other projects.

On January 31, 11 people showed up for trash pick-up along Dairy Ridge Road. 400 pounds of trash was collected in a total of 16.5 volunteer hours.

An open discussion was held next.

Fern proposed amending the By-Laws, including reducing the number of Board members and allowing entire membership to vote on projects, etc. Another proposal is to allow only those who have been a member for one year be eligible to serve on the Board. It was agreed to discuss at the next Board meeting.

Events Friends has sponsored or participated in during the 2014 year was reviewed: Fishing for Fun, Hop into Croft, Wildlife Action Pioneer Days, Neewollah and the Half Marathon. Projects included painting a bathhouse, horse trail improvements, hi-lines installed along trails and securing more money toward remodeling of bathhouse for handicapped accessibility (total about \$15,000).

Gary Purinton shared a new mountain bike club is being started called the Spartanburg Area Mountain Bike Association (SAMBA). He hopes SAMBA can partner with Friends of Croft.

It was agreed by the group to continue having meetings at St Paul United Methodist Church at 6:30 on the second Monday of each month.

Elections were held. Rick Henderson was elected to the term ending 2016, Gary Purinton, Fern Powell, Marie Biggerstaff and Hobby Outten were elected to the term ending 2018. Fern was elected President, Gary P Vice-President, Rick Henderson Treasurer and Stanley Bishop acting Secretary.

Next meeting is Monday, March 9 at 6:30 at St Paul UMC.