

Minutes
Friends of Croft
April 1, 2013

Members present: Chad and Mendy Henderson, John Moon, Bob Williams, Marie Biggerstaff, Linda Hinson, Mike and Cindy Byars, Rick Henderson and Fern Powell

Meeting started at 6:55

Rick made a motion to approve the minutes from the March meeting. Bob seconded and all approved.

Finances: Current checking account status \$6143.19. Bob was given a check for \$435 to buy plants for bathhouse. Go Green Events at Kohl's will give us a check for \$1500 as part of their community service.

The Budget for 2013 was discussed. Marie suggested more money be allocated for trails since they are heavily used and a main attraction for the park. Mike Byars offered to do work in exchange for donated gas and food. Bob made a motion for an additional \$1000 for trail improvement on Foster Mill Road from the Boy Scout Hut to the radio tower (the proposed budget has about \$2000 more in income than expense). This will be the focus for Mike. The other \$1500 in budget will be used to continue work on Fairforest Connector. Mendy seconded the motion and all approved. Bob made a motion to approve the budget with the additional trail allocation. Mendy seconded and all approved.

Board: Mitzi Morris resigned from the Board. Bobby Turner rescinded his nomination to the Board as well. This leaves 4 open seats: one term ending 2014, one 2015, two 2016.

Committees were formed:

Fundraising: Jessica Digman Chairman (Vice President), Bob Williams

Trails: Mike Byars Chairman, Marie Biggerstaff, Linda Hinson, Rick Henderson

Grounds/Campground: Richard Cassel Chair, Chad Henderson

Website: Bob Williams Chair, Jessica Digman

Membership: Fern Powell Chair, Mike Byars

Projects:

Hop into Croft discussed. Can do a few things better such as no charge for Easter Bunny photos. Kids had a lot of fun with Easter egg hunt and magician. Lots of conflicting events the w/e of Easter so may be smart to move a week earlier.

Lake Craig bathhouse: trees have been cut and dirt moved to make more open. Shrubs have been picked up and are ready to plant. Bob is waiting to hear from Kohl's when they can schedule a volunteer workday. The bathhouse should be handicapped accessible since we are working toward a handicapped trail and pier. Cindy Byars will look into ADA grants. Also need to get a letter of intent to park service.

Kids' Fishing for Fun is Saturday, May 4. Bob has contacted Walmart and area sporting goods stores for donations. We are planning for 100 kids. T-shirts and fishing rods will be given to first 100 kids along with a hotdog lunch. Cost for t-shirt is \$300 and rods about \$700. Hotdogs and buns have been donated. Budget has \$600 for fishing day but yet to hear how much Walmart, etc will donate. Fern made the motion to allow Bob to spend an additional \$400 if needed on supplies. Linda Hinson seconded and all approved.

Adopt-A-Highway tentatively set for Saturday, April 27. The park thinks their interns may be able to clean prior to this date. Glenn was able to clean up from Highway 295 to the parking area.

Fundraisers:

- a. Mountain bike race September 28
- b. Neewollah October 25 – 26. Need to start planning in August
- c. Half marathon is November 9
- d. Hunter dinners
- e. Gary Biggerstaff has agreed to do a horse clinic. Need to schedule
- f. Jessica may be able to schedule a gymkhana
- g. Need to allow sponsors for website

Next meeting is May 6

Meeting adjourned at 8:00