

# Friends of Seneca Creek State Park

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes August 11, 2010

## 1. Call to order 7:00 P.M.

Present: Steve Hackman, Dave Scull, Ed Branges, Earl Pfeiffer, Ellen Erdelsky, Kim Lloyd, and Ken Grundy.

Absent: Dr. Stan Forster

## 2. Approval of minutes from 5/19/10 with corrections.

## 3. Treasurer's Report- Steve Hackman

See attached report.

Park Purchases- 3 months worth of the port-a-potties and money collected from the disk golfers

Signs for the playground area that state to keep pets out of that area for \$142.45

We discussed a money collection box called an Iron Ranger that may be useful to collect donations out at the Schaeffer road trails.

## 4. Membership Report- Ellen Erdelsky

See attached report.

Ellen proposed that she send out a second follow up letter to members who do not submit their annual dues on time. She passed around a copy of a letter she had drafted for this purpose. She will revise the letter and submit it to Ken for final review and implement this as soon as possible.

## 5. Management Report-

Kim Lloyd

The National Wildlife Federation is holding a meeting at the park on Saturday, 10/2. They are looking for volunteers from the park and the Friends group to assist their people from about 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

This was the first year that Seneca participated in the CJC(Civilian Justice Corp) program. Troubled kids, from 14 to 17 years old, learn about the park and work on projects around the park. There were about 30 kids and they started many projects including putting down pavers and building a roof over the grills in the Bobwhite area. Participation lasted for about 5 weeks this year. The state paid for the kids to come to the park and their food and drinks while they were at the park. The park received about \$20,000.00 to spend on the projects that the kids would work on.

The first volunteer workday on the new sections of trail that were approved will be on Saturday, Sept. 11. These trails will connect the Schaeffer Road trails with the day use area of the park for bicycles and horses.

There have been some interviews for the park tech position but it has not been filled yet.

There was a death at a bike race at the Schaeffer Road trails recently and the cause of death was likely a heart attack.

## 6. Purchase Requests-

Auger- \$3000.00 Steve and Kendall will talk about this purchase and get back to me. There was no vote on this item.

## 7. Roundtable-

Ed brought up the heat and severity of the weather this summer and there was a discussion about how much damage was done to the park, especially the storm that came through a few Sundays ago.

Earl noted that there will be a history lesson at the Black Rock Mill on Friday, Aug. 13.

Ken stated that the board voted not to donate to the Park Quest program this year. We discussed the tax forms that were brought up at the last meeting. The federal form was e-mailed in late but any late fees were waived. State personal property tax was also sent in late,

but it was in the park mailbox for a while before we got it. We will try to check the mail around March 15 next year so we can file on time. Kim had asked Ken for a sponsorship for MPS golf tournament for \$50.00 per hole. It was voted down. We discussed the date of the annual picnic and decided it will be on Saturday, Nov. 6. It was also decided that we will conduct the November meeting in the afternoon after the annual picnic at approximately 1:00 pm. Allowing pets on the park is going well and there have been no problems. It was noted however that the disc golfers like to let their dogs off of their leashes most.

8. Next Meeting- Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at approximately 1:00 pm.