

FRIENDS OF FINDLEY STATE PARK, INC.

MINUTES February 3, 2009

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 by Bill Martin, President

Members present included Bill Martin, Chris Keltz, Bill and Laura Leitner, Hazel Pruitt, Doug Hastings, Bridget Derrick, Joe and Margaret Bedrick, Chris Fox, and Matt and Denise Michalske.

Minutes from previous meeting were read. A correction to the amount of the P.O. Box fee was noted. Bridget moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Margaret seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report - Checking has a total of \$X,XXX. The Building Fund has \$XX,XXX, which includes the \$X,XXX grant from LMRE. Bill Martin presented an expense of \$XX.XX for postage and materials for membership packets. Laura Leitner moved to approve reimbursement. Bridget Derrick seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business

Election of Officers - Two nominees were presented for election. Doug Hastings for Vice President, and Denise Michalske for Treasurer. Both were unanimously elected for a term of 2 years.

Financial Software - Denise will look into several accounting programs. One will be used for the group's records.

Tracking volunteer hours - Bill Martin passed out a sheet for volunteers to keep track of hours spent on group activity away from group projects, like time spent in committee meetings, paperwork at home, etc.... There will also be a book at each event to record hours worked. Many foundations require total number of volunteer hours accumulated to be in consideration for a grant.

People Movers - The Fair Board needs 4 tires to use as back ups. Their cost is \$XX.XX each, which is less than any other estimates reported to the group. Chris Keltz moved to pay \$XXX.XX for the tires. Bill Leitner seconded. Motion passed.

Winter Hike - This is the Buckeye Trails 50th anniversary year. There will be a cake at the hike. Dale Sheffield from the Wellington Enterprise will also be there.

Committee Reports

Disc Golf - We still need to spend the money from the Legacy Foundation. Bill Martin suggested paying for 3 or 4 baskets if Tim can get matching sponsors.

Trail Renovation – Joe and Margaret suggest walking the course in March, working in April and May, and having the trail ready for Trail Days in June. Ideas are still being accepted for features on the trail. They would like to have a list of projects drawn up to give to groups who ask how they can help.

Membership – Committee meetings will be started back up.

Building – Committee meetings will be set up via email. Bill Martin put in a request for a cost estimate from Carter Lumber.

Car Show - Two sponsors have committed for this year's show. Chris Keltz will contact everybody to set up a date for a committee meeting. She will also put a "Save the date" ad in the Cruisin' Times.

New Business

Bridget Derrick suggested utilizing the coupon program that Burger King and McDonalds offers to groups. Perhaps the coupon could be posted on the website to print out. We would also like it to be during fair week.

Sue Mareno's aide said that she would be back in town in a few days. Bill Martin will meet with her to discuss publicity opportunities

FPOSP Spring Symposium will be held on April 4th at Mohican State Park. The theme this year will be "Going Green". The governor or his wife will be there to speak about ways our groups can help.

Bill Martin reported on an opportunity to earn money by working at the Cleveland Indians concession stand. You have to have a minimum of 10 people and commit to 10 games. Bill will get more information on it.

Bridget Derrick reported that camping fees are going up. She also reported that the state took the renovation money away this year. Due to Dave Johnston's retirement, Carla will be in charge of the V.I.P. program.

As there was no further discussion, Chris Fox moved to adjourn. Doug Hastings seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.