

Minutes of the Meeting
Friends of Portage Lakes State Park Board
Thursday, January 13, 2011 (Approved by board, January 20, 2011)

The January meeting of the Board of Directors for the Friends of Portage Lakes State Park was held at the Portage Lakes Kiwanis Civic Center, 725 Portage Lakes Drive, Akron, OH 44319. A quorum was present.

Present: Larry Hunter, Tom Fry, Mark Snyder, and Lynn Stamp

Absence: Tom Burge

Guest: Sarah Matheny

Larry Hunter called the meeting to order at 6:06 P.M.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

A motion was put forward by Lynn Stamp and seconded by Tom Fry to approve the minutes of December 21, 2010 as written. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion ensued regarding the sealed minutes of December 13, 2010, Mark Snyder put forward a motion to approve the sealed minutes with revision seconded by Lynn Stamp. All were in favor. Motion carried.

President's Report (Larry Hunter)

President Hunter discussed the upcoming event, Pirate Days in Portage Lakes and reported that the Tudor House commission will be serving food and liquor. The coins that will be sold by the Portage Lakes Kiwanis are on hold due to availability of the mold. Larry Hunter also discussed the possibility of a Pirate's Ball that the Portage Lakes Kiwanis might be holding the week before the events. Discussion continued on the Pirate Days in Portage Lakes.

President Hunter also discussed the groups insurance and provided the board with additional information. Snyder volunteered to help and contact the agencies that provide special event insurance.

Vice President's Report (Tom Fry)

No Report

Secretary Report (Mark Snyder)

Secretary Snyder reported on the mail the PO Box received.

Secretary Snyder also reported on the newsletter. The Board picked in the name of the newsletter to be "The Newsletter of the Friends of Portage Lakes State Park." As submitted by Lynn Stamp. Stamp was gracious and donated the free movie tickets for Chase Your Shadow 5K Run/Walk.

Secretary Snyder also reported that the Google Ad is up and running with six months left of the initial grant period.

Secretary Snyder also passed out the organizational email addresses for officers and directors with a brief explanation on how they work.

Treasurer's Report (Tom Burge)

Treasurer Burge is away for the winter season during which President Hunter is handling the bank account. Hunter reported that the balance was \$4,422.66 with deposits totaling \$270.00 including membership and a donation to the dog park with a new balance of \$4,692.66; report subject to audit.

The board authorized four expense checks totaling \$1,074.88 for Summit Printing \$178.00, US Raceworks for website \$600.00, A & B Tent Rental for tent rental \$285.00, and Mark Snyder for \$11.88 for postbox keys and web, making the bank balance \$3,617.78, with Restricted Net Assets of \$1,141.18, the board also unrestricted \$2,000.00 to pay for Chase Your Shadow Race expenses as restricted by a previous board action.

Director's Report (Lynn Stamp)

Director Stamp reported the website is up and running, and that the website can be handled and accessed by anyone in friends, unlike before. Tom Fry noted that only one person should be able to post items to the web and it was agreed that this is part of the secretary's duties and Snyder agreed. Snyder noted that he is willing to let others handle this aspect if they come forward.

Stamp also gave a brief update with Snyder on Chase Your Shadow. Stamp reported that the committee is moving forward.

Old Business

Bylaws Changes:

Snyder proposed additional amendment to Friends of Portage Lakes State Park Bylaws a new article entitled Contracts, Checks, Deposits, Gifts, and Borrowing. Snyder put forward a motion to approve the change seconded by Tom Fry. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Dog Park:

A short discussion followed regarding the Dog Park and major sponsorship update and we are currently working with park officials to review the site plan. Discussion ensued.

The next board meeting for the Friends of Portage Lakes State Park is scheduled for Thursday, February 10, 2011, 6 PM, Portage Lakes Kiwanis Civic Center, 725 Portage Lakes Drive, Akron, Ohio 44319.

Larry Hunter adjourned the meeting at 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark A. Snyder, Secretary