

Minutes of the Meeting
Friends of Portage Lakes State Park
Thursday, January 20, 2011 (approved by membership, 2/17/11)

The January meeting of 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 (President), Tom Fry (Vice President), Mark Snyder (Secretary), Lynn Stamp (Director), Jerry Davis, Laura Davis, Carol Eubank, Jim Frost, Margaret Frost, and Lew Stamp.

Larry Hunter called the meeting to order at 6:59 P.M.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

No minutes were available from the November 19, 2010 meeting.

President's Report (Larry Hunter)

No Report

Vice President's Report (Tom Fry)

No Report

Secretary Report (Mark Snyder)

Mark Snyder shared the board meeting minutes of January 13, 2011, see attachment.

Treasurer's Report (Tom Burge)

Treasurer Burge is away for the winter season during which President Hunter is handling the bank account. As reported to the board on January 13, 2011, as read by Mark Snyder during secretaries report; 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 for printed items, \$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 pervious board action.

Director's Report (Lynn Stamp)

No Report

Chase Your Shadow 5K Race (Jerry Davis)

Jerry Davis reported registrations total around 60 or so. Davis reported on possible donations including Portage Lakes IGA, Advance Auto Parts, and others.

Lew Stamp reported that he has secured donations from several organizations and companies.

Several issues will be worked out in committee including the t-shirts, donations, and other issues.

2011 Annual Dues (Mark Snyder)

Mark Snyder notified members that dues are collected on an annual basis and it is time for renewal.

Portage Lakes Pirate Days (Larry Hunter)

President Hunter presented the group with a handout on Pirate Days, which we will review at the next general membership meeting, handout attached.

Grant Report (Mark Snyder)

Mark Snyder provided a report on grants and their status, which included a denial from PetCo, and updated the group on pending and denied grants.

New Business

Bylaws Changes:

Mark Snyder proposed five amendments (see attachment) including updating the location information, membership year and grammar correction, adding a director emeritus section, renumbering articles xii, xiii, and xiv to thirteen, fourteen, and fifteen, and adding a new article twelve to read contracts, check, deposits, gifts, and borrowing.

Mark Snyder made a motion to approve the amendments as written, seconded by Tom Fry. Discussion followed regarding the proposed amendment changes including adding a spending limit to the board of \$500.00 without membership approval. Discussion ensued. Mark Snyder made a motion to table the proposed amendments followed by a motion by Lew Stamp to amend the changes to delete section twelve, checks, draft, etc., from article twelve and approving the amendments as written seconded by Carol Eubank. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Mark Snyder made a motion for the creation of a Bylaws Committee seconded by Tom Fry. All were in favor. Motion carried. Committee headed by Margaret and Jim Frost.

The next meeting for the Friends of Portage Lakes State Park is scheduled for Thursday, February 17, 2011, 7 PM, Portage Lakes Kiwanis Civic Center, 725 Portage Lakes Drive, Akron, Ohio 44319.

Larry Hunter adjourned the meeting at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark A. Snyder, Secretary

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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.

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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

PORTAGE LAKES PIRATE DAYS

Endorsed By:

Portage Lakes Advisory Council (PLAC)

Metro Parks- Serving Summit County

Portage Lakes Kiwanis

Friends of Portage Lakes State Park (FOPLSP)

South Summit County Chamber Of Commerce

Al Bollas, Mayor of the City of New Franklin

Portage Lakes Purple Martin Association

Portage Lakes Disc Golf Association

Paul Baker

South Shore Yacht Club

The Suburbanite

Legends

Tudor House Commission

ODNR - DIV OF PARKS & RECREATION

GREEN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

PK ROWING CLUB

FIREWORKS COMMITTEE

DICK NORTON

COUNTY TRUSTEES

THE SOUTHSIDE LEADER

Portage Lakes Historical Society.

PORTAGE LAKES PIRATE DAYS

July 16	Pirates Bootleggers Ball	PL Kiwanis	Anthes	7:00 - ??
July 17	Boat Parade			12:00 - 2:00
July 18	Pontoon Boat Rides			7:00 - 9:00
July 19	Pontoon Boat Rides			7:00 - 9:00
July 20	Pontoon Boat Rides			7:00 - 9:00
July 21	Pontoon Boat Rides			7:00 - 9:00
July 22	Pontoon Boat Rides			7:00 - 9:00
July 23	5K Run/Walk	FOPLSP	New State Park	8:00 - 10:00
	Disc Golf Tournament	PL Disc Golf	New State Park	10:00 - 2:00
July 24	Canoe/ Kayak Poker Run	FOPLSP	New State Park	10:00 - 2:00
	Sailboat Regatta	South Shore Yacht Club		10:00 - 2:00
	Treasure Hunt	FOPLSP	New State Park	12:00 - 5:00
	Food & Drink	Tudor House		12:00 - ??

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE
BYLAWS OF FRIENDS OF PORTAGE LAKES STATE PARK**

Article II – Location

In the first sentence of Article II, delete the words “mailing address” and insert in place thereof “physical address.”

In the first sentence of Article II, delete the words “the office.”

Insert new sentence of Article II to read, “The Organization’s mailing address is Friends of Portage Lakes State Park, PO Box 26463, Akron, Ohio 44319-6463.

Article IV – Membership

In the first sentence of Section 2 in Article IV, delete the words “for the current calendar year” and insert in place thereof the words “for one year, twelve months”

In the last sentence of Section 4 in the Article IV, delete the words “shall have been given at least two weeks” and in place thereof the words “will be given a two-weeks notice.”

Article VI – Board of Directors

Insert new section (Article VI, Section 4. Director Emeritus) to read, the Board may from time to time confer the title of Director Emeritus on a former Board member who has served with distinction and made a significant contribution to the organization. A Director Emeritus shall be entitled to notice of all Board meetings and attendance at regular and executive sessions, but a Director Emeritus shall not be counted as a regular member of the Board, nor shall this person be entitled to vote. The term of Director Emeritus shall continue for life unless terminated by resignation or by revocation by the Board. The term of a Director Emeritus shall be temporarily suspended during any period for which that person is re-elected as a regular voting member of the Board.

Renumber Articles XII, XIII, and XIV

Renumber articles twelve, thirteen, and fourteen to thirteen, fourteen, and fifteen.

Insert New Article XII – Contracts, Check, Deposits, Gifts and Borrowing

Insert new article number twelve to read “Contracts, Check, Deposits, Gifts and Borrowing.

Section 1. Contracts. The Board of Directors may from time to time authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents of the corporation, singly or jointly or in any other manner to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the corporation, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

Section 2. Checks, Drafts, etc. All checks, drafts or other orders for the payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the corporation shall be signed by the President and Treasurer of the corporation or by any other proper officer or officers of the corporation authorized by the Board of Directors.

Section 3. Deposits. All funds of the corporation shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as the Board of Directors may select.

Section 4. Gifts. The Board of Directors may accept on behalf of the corporation any contribution, gift, bequest or devise for the general purposes or for any special purpose of the corporation.

Section 5. Borrowing. No individual officer, agent or employee of the corporation shall have any power or authority to borrow money on its behalf, to pledge its credit, or to mortgage or pledge its real or personal property. Authority may be given by the Board in limited or specific instances.”