

**Lake Roland Nature Council
Board Meeting Minutes
May 16, 2018 at 6:30 PM
Lake Roland Nature Center**

Welcome and Introductions: Kurt Davis called the meeting to order.

Board Meeting Minutes: Approval of the April 18, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes was deferred until next month's meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Jeffrey Budnitz reported the following:

- Cash position: \$22,394.89
- Hard Assets: \$352,039.81
- Total Assets: \$374,434.70
- Liability to Baltimore County: \$205,500.00
- Net Asset Value: \$168,934.70

Rec & Parks Staff Report: Ranger Jonathan Wood reported the following:

- We have 2 new gate attendants/naturalists Pax and Patrick.
- All summer camps full except 4 and 5 year old; Summer commonly has one age group 4 and 5 year old with space available.
- All pavilion rentals through June are paid, Pavilion rentals are filling up quick.
- Seasonal Naturalist training begins June 4th and runs until June 12th.
- Canoe Lake Roland will go on as long as long as weather cooperates Friday.
- Upcoming Events:
 - 6/9/18 – Fishing Frenzy (free fishing day)
 - 6/10/18 – Fairies and Dragons event
- the park is steady with visitors.
- We have multiple school groups renting end of the year pavilions and taking end of the year tours.
- St Paul students are coming to do an invasive removal this Friday.

Design Framework Committee (Environmental & Master Plan):

- Elise Butler reported on the Landscape Plan and Guide updates.
- Kay McConnell reported that the Native Plant Sale was a success and grossed \$11,000 in sales.
- Peter Lev reported that Roger Latham, an expert on the serpentine barrens, toured the park on May 14th and the day went well. Peter is to compile notes from the day. Kurt Davis said we will have a report of the notes by the next board meeting.

Paw Point Committee: Jeffrey Budnitz reported (and submitted via email) the following:

- 751 Paw Point Memberships to date
- Seasonal cleanup went well, all hard surfaces scraped and blown down.
- Temporary fence posts removed.
- Tree in center of the dog park pruned, additional pruning will be required.
- Newly planted trees are doing well.
- Blowing down of the balance of the fence line is pending.
- Dog bowl water fountain needs to be repaired and pressure adjusted.
- Nozzle needs to be installed for the swim area cleanup hose.
- Irrigation sprinkler needs to be put out for the season.

Trails Committee: Jeffrey Budnitz reported the following:

- 16-17 major projects over the past month
- Jeffrey explained that material was put down and rolled
- Roger Higgins donated 31.5 tons of stone

Recreation Committee: Gero Verheyen submitted the following report:

- The Nature Quest canoe outing scheduled for May 6 was cancelled due to the threat of thunderstorms.
- The next canoe outing, led by the rangers, will be on June 2 from 10am to 1pm, and we will be looking for volunteers for that event.
- I will be discussing the possibility of fishing outings at the pier during the summer and will also be looking for a couple of volunteers for this event.

Membership Committee: No report

Residents Committee: No report

Outreach Committee: Nancy Horst reported that RRLRAIA newsletter is going to two issues per year.

New Business: NONE

Kurt Davis adjourned the meeting at 7:10 PM.

Attendees:

Jeffrey Budnitz
Elise Butler
Kurt Davis
Jim Flannery
Nancy Horst
Dwight Johnson
Marc Klein
Peter Lev
Lydia Redding
Jonathan Wood
Kay McConnell
Robert Macht