

**Lake Roland Nature Council
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
March 4, 2020**

Attendees: Kurt Davis, Elise Butler, Jeffrey Budnitz, Peter Lev, Jim Flannery, Ranger Kyle Brickell

President Kurt Davis called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Treasurer Report:

Current Assets:	91,395
Fixed Assets:	417,687.42
 TOTAL ASSETS:	 509,083.37
 Current Liabilities:	 149,484
Total Liabilities:	149,484
 Equity:	 359,599.37
 TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQ.:	 509,083.37

Staff Report: Kyle reported that Jonathan Wood has interviewed applicants for the Park Activity Coordinator and Camp Counselor Director positions. Also, Lake Roland lost an intern and two monthly staff members over the last month.

Park attendance was high in February, probably because of warm weather. The Maple Sugaring and Hibernating programs were well-attended,

Many people want to sign up for Earth Day. There will be a cleanup in the Upper Jones Falls/L'Hirondelle Meadow area.

Summer camp registration is almost full. Trout season is coming up.

The Baltimore County Police have been great about responding to illegal parking calls. Fewer people are illegally parking on Falls Rd.

Lights Out Baltimore will install window treatments in the Nature Center windows to minimize bird-window collisions.

Environmental and Historic Preservation Report: 1. Elise said that the Guilford Garden Club, specifically Kimberly Warren and Kay McConnell, had submitted a grant to Partners4Plants asking for \$3,000 for work on the Nature Center Landscape Design. 2. Larry Weaner Landscape Associates submitted an updated 2020 proposal for the Nature Center Landscape Design. One of Elise's questions about the proposal is whether LWLA should do a site visit now. If we have a

site visit in 2020 and considerable time passes without much progress, then LWLA will need another site visit. 3. The EHP will discuss the 2020 proposal on March 11.

Zoning: Kurt reported on 3 requested zoning changes that affect the park. Kurt and Jeffrey will speak at a zoning hearing. They will follow the lead of the Baltimore County planning staff and recommend no changes to park zoning.

Resignation: Kurt announced that Jim Flannery is resigning from the EC. Jim has been so busy with work obligations that he cannot spend a lot of time on the EC or other volunteer work. Jim will remain on the LRNC Board. Kurt thanked Jim for everything he has done for LRNC.

OLD BUSINESS:

Fundraising: Our campaign to pay off the Nature Center building continues. Jeffrey told the group “If you can reach out to a donor, reach out to them.”

Weather Station: Weather station installation will happen in March. (Update, March 25—the Weather Station is up and working!!)

Strategic Planning: The EC continued discussion of whether Strategic Planning should be handled by the EC or by a new committee. Peter said he would write a draft policy for the EC to take charge of Strategic Planning, with no new committees or subcommittees.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.

Minutes taken by Peter Lev.