

Lake Roland Nature Council
Executive Committee Meeting
November 4, 2020 at 5:30 PM
Meeting held via Zoom

Those present, via Zoom: Kurt Davis, Jeffrey Budnitz, Peter Lev, Gero Verheyen, Beth Hoker, Ranger Jonathan Wood

Treasurer's Report: As of 10-21-20

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings 39,369.37

Total Current Assets 39,369.37

Fixed Assets 430,372.98

TOTAL ASSETS 469,742.35

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Other Current Liabilities 79,484.00

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Equity 390,258.35

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Staff Report: Jonathan said the Halloween scavenger hunt went extremely well, with 78 participants. There are three programs coming up in November: a program on white-tailed deer; a Pokemon hunt for younger children; a Native Americans of Maryland program. Wreath-making is the only scheduled program in December. Friday walks will continue.

Jonathan will be asking the EC to approve funding for a very large bird list poster for the park. It will be used for bird counts in February and April.

We talked about creating a directory of videos called "Behind the Scenes Visual Content." Some of content created for virtual summer camp will remain password-protected, but some will be released to this new directory.

EHP Committee—The full Board will need to vote on separating the Environmental and Historical Preservation Committee into two committees.

Work continues on the trail behind the Nature Center. Aaron from Davey Tree provided a load of mulch and promised a second load.

Paw Point—Beth said we have 48 members signed up for 2021. In-person signups for Paw Point will be held on 11/7 and 11/15.

Trails Committee: Jeffrey and Gero worked two weeks ago on the Pink Trail, laying down a lot of dirt and rolling it, also smoothing out the hillside. Work will continue the weekend on November 7-8.

Recreation Committee: Recreation chair Howdy Knipp is not a member of the EC, so we will probably get only irregular reports. We talked about asking “What do you want to see in the park?” on the Facebook page.

OLD BUSINESS:

LRNC Election: Ballots went out via MailChimp to all members for the election, with a cutoff date. After that, Board members only will get a ballot including officer positions.

NEW BUSINESS:

Annual meeting: We decided that committee chairs would give very brief annual reports at this meeting.

Membership letter and mailing: Kurt said that he had made 2 changes to Peter’s draft letter. Kurt asked that any further changes should be sent to Peter in the next few days.

Covid-19 waivers: Jeffrey noted that many Board members have not filled out the Covid-19 waiver. Kurt said he would send a followup email on this.

Conflict of interest annual form execution: This is coming up.

Bios on website: Jeffrey asked for a decision on whether Board member biographies should be added to the LRNC website. Kurt suggested that we add a statement about Board member areas of expertise, but not individual bios. This was agreed by consensus. Jeffrey will put the statement on the website when we have it.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Minutes taken by Peter Lev.