

**Lake Roland Nature Council
Executive Committee Meeting
June 7, 2023 at 6:30 PM
Meeting held via Zoom**

Meeting convened at 6:30 pm. Ended 7:36

Executive Committee Member present: Gero (chair), Jeffrey, Matt, Bill, Beth. Guest: Kyle

1. Approval of prior EC Meeting: minutes approved.

2. Treasurer's Report

Jeffrey Budnitz

Jun 5, 23

ASSETS

Current Assets

Checking/Savings 112,571.37

Total Current Assets 112,571.37

Fixed Assets 590,791.12

TOTAL ASSETS 703,362.49

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Equity 703,362.49

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3. Staff Report

Matt Hand

4. Membership Committee

Jeffrey Budnitz

- LRNC currently has 133 members.

5. Environmental Gero Verheyen

6. Historical Preservation Gero Verheyen

Per Bill: he drafted an email to the historical committee & sent today.

7. Paw Point Beth Hoker

current membership: 862

8. Trails Jeffrey and Gero

Sent out earlier this week.

9. Recreation Steve Bruno, Matt Hand

10. Old Business

Master Naturalist program: Beth confirmed that her questions were answered. Guidance document should be created by Kyle showing expectations for MN projects. This document should be publicly available. JB recommended creating a MN page on our website that links to Univ of MD with our unique guidelines & felt this should be done immediately. JB pointed out that Kyle is the only one with this amount of knowledge about MN. Kyle needs to cc the EC regarding important matters with the MNs. *EC in agreement with Kyle. We need a deadline for Kyle. Our deadlines will be forward looking. Kyle agreed with the idea of guidelines including for running the MN program as he found little guidance when he took over the responsibility. He appreciates our input. JB suggested that the EC get regular monthly updates so we are all aware of any delays/issues. Kyle said he already told the class that he will need 4-6 week updates & we all agreed that this should be done monthly. Kyle will send us the latest project ideas for our review. Kyle hopes to have the guidelines done by mid summer.

Gero will be following up with an email outlining our ideas. Kyle should respond quickly and we will do the same. Re: tree signs: wordage should be submitted. QR codes generated after that.

JB let Kyle know that he does not want to see any of the scout troops held up due to lack of action by the MN. In summary, they should not harm any involved 3rd parties. Kyle emailed MN about the design of the split rail fence (same as around the playground). One delay for the project was tree trimming that destroyed or damaged. The EC was not aware of this issue which reinforces the need for regular updates.

Matt H has had no success getting MN to meet regarding bringing in scouts to do some of the heavy work. Matt is concerned that this lack of communication may have damaged our relationship with the scouts. The extension for the MN is a yr. & was given a few weeks ago. Matt has wanted to get the split rail fence installed for a while. Scouts are ready. The possibility of taking the fence out of the MN project and just giving it to the scouts is one option. JB confirmed that he will use the auger to place the fence posts.

11. New Business

- EC/Board development
- We need to clean the old truck to prepare for sale. Would like access to water & power at a time that will not interfere with any programs. Matt said that would should not be a problem nor would it interfere with any programs. This should be done by next week.
- Upcoming meeting on fish habitat and stocking with DNR and Coastal Conservation Association Maryland