



The meeting of the Board of Directors of the *Friends of Mildred Kanipe Memorial Park Association, Inc.*) was called to order at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, June 1, 2012 in the Lane House Annex. Present were board members John Robertson, Karen Roberson, Steve Kennerly, Celia Scott, Deb Gray, Midge McGinnis and Debbie Levings. Leslye Wing was unable to attend. Also present were Mike Burke and Mike McCarty.

### AGENDA ITEMS

**Trail Dash** - In Leslye's absence, Midge worked thru the following items:

- T-Shirts for Board members – agreed that we would pay \$10 for each t-shirt. Midge passed around a sheet to put orders on and track payments. Final payments will be due at next meeting (June 22<sup>nd</sup>). Midge has put the orders on a spreadsheet and will forward to Leslye
- T-Shirts for Sponsors – felt we should supply \$50 and \$150 sponsors with one t-shirt. It is up to the person obtaining the sponsorship to determine size to be ordered. Due date for this information is June 22<sup>nd</sup> at our next meeting. Midge has included the ones we know on the same sheet with member orders.
- T-Shirts for Volunteers – felt it is important to give a shirt to volunteers (ie: EMT and non-board members helping out.) As we may not know exactly who might be there to help, we'll need to give them a shirt out of the 'for sale extra's' right away on race day.
- Water – we should be fine on this. Midge has Lois' two 5-gallon water jugs and she has an additional one. Mike McCarty will also bring 1-2.
- Canopies – the two canopies at the annex should be sufficient...one for EMT station and one for food. Registration desk really didn't need one. May need one for the silent auction...Lois has two if we need to get another one. Need to finalize that on the 22<sup>nd</sup> or earlier so that Midge can get the canopy from Lois. Celia brought ours back so it's at the Annex. We will also use the Douglas County Historic Society's that is there in the annex.
- Volunteers –
  - Deb will do silent auction
  - Steve will help Mike with finish/start line
  - Mike and Celia will handle the water station out on the trail
  - Deb's brother will handle the gate

- Debbie will be a back up in case Karen can't get the EMT (she's working on this)
- Karen will handle the registration desk (and Midge hopes to be able to be there)
- John will be there and will help out where needed
- Lois has also said she can probably come out and help. We'll need to let her know if we need her.
- Mowing/weed wacking...Mike, Steve, Karen and Mike M. are all available and will coordinate a date between them (please let Leslye know what date you pick). Leslye is also going to see if Charles can mow some of the field at the start / finish line
- Midge received sponsorship from Karen and golf course donation from Steve...she will get them to Leslye along with water jugs.
- Next board meeting on June 22<sup>nd</sup> will be a final meeting prior to Dash...need to have all t-shirt orders ready (and paid for). Also all sponsorships and donations need to be in by then. Final date for t-shirts with race registrations is the 23<sup>rd</sup> of June.
- News Review letter to editor. Everyone felt it would be a good idea to put a letter in the News Review (and a copy to Celia to get into the North County News). However, it was felt we should not mention anything about last years trail markers being removed. Rather just mention that this is a fund raiser for the park and if anyone sees markers on the trails the day before, they are there for the runners.

### **Preserving Oregon Grant**

Thanks to Debbie's hard work, we have received a \$7,500 grant from Preserving Oregon. We need to submit a plan and Debbie feels we already have what we need. We will be monitoring progress (Steve). Matching funds – Debbie has a list of about 4-5 potential grantors (Kinsman and C. Giles Hunt being two of them) As there is no 'cycle' on these, we can submit grant requestors immediately. Plan is to utilize Leading Edge for roof and Amy McAuley for windows.

### **School House**

Now that we have our newest grant, Debbie will scurry to obtain matching funds from other grantors and vendors can be contacted. (Leading Edge and Amy McAuley). Discussed ideas around events that can be held at the school house while work is being done...ie: BBQ when windows are installed, etc. Also talked about getting a sign made up with a 'scale/thermometer' type set up to show our progress. Jim's Signs can produce one at little cost. It would be fine for summer...but won't be able to be out during winter. Summer is sufficient as that's when all the activity will be going on.

Grass/weeds really need mowing around school house. The flowers have all finished blooming. Midge will email Gary Groth to see if Charles could get down there and mow.

(FYI, per a phone message, Gary suggested email as the best way to leave him messages vs. phone.)

### **Adopt-A-Highway**

Rita Prothero and Jim Long hosted our first Adopt-A-Highway clean up on May 21<sup>st</sup>. Six people were there and it was amazing how much trash was out there! There were some hazardous items found (which we were told to LEAVE alone and just flag it). Next clean up is scheduled for September 17<sup>th</sup>. Rita feels that six people are just fine. Worked out well with two teams going opposite directions...two picking up and one driving a 'safety/chase vehicle'.

### **Parks Department/Trust/Plan**

Several different things were discussed at today's meeting that 'fall' under this category.

**Plan** – The plan that was done back in early 2000 is quite extensive. No point in re-inventing something. Perhaps some updates to it. Jim Long contacted Tom Bedell (who was a lead on the 2000 project). Sadly Tom is in very bad health, so cannot help us and suggested we get in touch with Shelby Filey.

Celia and Mike have been in touch with Cindy K. Bright of USFWS. She is hoping to fill Jim Lee's shoes and continue the grant/work that he was doing. Cindy was to have a meeting with Gary Groth. Celia will see if she can find out how that went.

**New Neighbors to Park** - Karen has met some new neighbors who border the park...they are very interested in preserving the park as is and not seeing it logged. They are former attorneys...suggestion made that they join our association.

**How can we help the Park Department** – The Parks department can't do all that we'd like to see be done...so it is up to us to help them find resources! Debbie will be working with Jim Patterson to see what types of grants we might be able to find.

Two major issues – the buildings and the noxious weed situation

With the weather we've been having, no 'maintenance' and not enough cattle...the fields are becoming horribly overgrown with hawthorne, scotch broom, blackberries...you name it. Need to find a way to get more cattle/sheep, etc. out there as well as finding someone who can clear out some of the brush.

Buildings – we've received an email from a member who is very concerned that the original house will fall down if something is not done soon. Unfortunately, since we are involved with the school house right now, we can't spread our efforts to the homesite, too. And to stop midway thru the school house restoration would adversely impact obtaining future grants (grantors would see us as a group who does not follow thru).

Suggestion made that we have Tom Rogers go take a walk thru of the house and give us a very high level recommendation as to what needs to be done to keep the building from collapsing. Then perhaps Gary's maintenance group can just do those repairs. No restoration...simply...hold it up! Steve will get in touch with Tom and Debbie would like to be there when Tom looks the building over. We have lots of old pictures of the last time a walkthrough was done for comparison.

**Trust** – no new news on this item.

### **Miscellaneous**

**Katrena** – Katrena's last day with the Parks department was Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup>! She is being replaced...this is a great loss to all of us as she was a great asset to us and to the parks department.

**Dedication Sign** – Quite sometime ago, a posting was put on our Facebook page regarding the dedication sign...apparently one of the commissioner's names was misspelt and the poster wanted to know if it had been fixed. It had not. Steve Kennerly checked around to see if anything could be done about it. He found a monument company that would fix it...we'd have to pay shipping. Something to just think about.

**Meeting with Gary** - John feels it is probably time that we had a one-on-one meeting with Gary. John, Debbie and Mike would meet with him. Suggested dates were thrown out and John will contact Gary to see if one of them would be workable. (June 19 – am; June 20<sup>th</sup> pm)

**McKenzie River Trust** – Mike has had contact with a director from McKenzie River Trust. This organization specializes in protecting lands and purchases them. Just tucking this contact way for future reference...hopefully never to be needed!

### **EVENT DATES**

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| July 7, 2012       | Mildred's Trail Dash     |
| September 17, 2012 | Adopt-A-Highway Clean up |

### **NEXT MEETING**

Next Meeting will be on **June 22, 2012** at Lane House Annex at 10 a.m..

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:00 noon.