



The meeting of the Board of Directors of the *Friends of Mildred Kanipe Memorial Park Association, Inc.* was called to order at 9:15 a.m. on Friday, July 31, 2015 at the Lane House Annex. Present were board members John Robertson, Landa Baily, Midge McGinnis and Celia Scott. Also in attendance: Mike Burke and Tom Wing. Guests included Amber Ewing and Steve Wood. Steve Kennerly was available by phone, Deb Gray, Leslye Wing and Karen Roberson were unable to attend.

AGENDA ITEMS

Halloween Carnival – Guest – Amber Ewing

Amber Ewing (representing Woofstock Annual Festival) came to meeting to discuss possibility of holding a Halloween Carnival at Park in the fall. For various reasons, she has had to rule out Park as the venue for this event (at least in 2015). She is very interested in working with us, the Sutherlin Chamber of Commerce and the Parks Department to use Park for a future ‘dog’ event. Amber and Landa will be attending the August Sutherlin Breakfast and hope to talk more about the potential of utilizing the Park for ‘dog’ events. A campout was one possibility with hiking and other events with family dogs. Currently the park allows dogs on-leash in the day use area only, but this needs to be addressed with the park...with non-equestrian campsites available, people are going to want to bring their dogs. The posted rule has never really been enforced, so it should be reviewed and probably altered.

Fall Fundraiser

Still being planned. Tabled for next meeting since Karen and Deb were not present. We have the Seven Feathers room/dining gift certificate (not used for Trail Dash) for this event (expiration June of 2016). Also have a small number of McDonald’s gift cards left over from Dash that could be used at Fall Fundraiser (do not see expiration date on them)

Campground Payment

The \$65,000 raised by The Friends last year has now been turned over to the County Commissioners. Presentation was made at the July 29th commissioners meeting.

Grants

Jeff Lehrbach has not had time to put together the RFP (request for proposals) for Mildred's house. Landa has volunteered to pull together a draft (perhaps Brandon from Restore Oregon can supply some samples). Also Karen Roberson will check with Clay to see if he has any 'samples' we could use. Once draft is put together, then it can be given to Jeff to submit.

Oakland Museum Donation

Majority of board members approved a \$20 donation to the Oakland Museum. Check will be sent this coming week.

Trail Dash Recap

Leslye was unable to attend, however, here are comments made earlier regarding ideas for next year's event:

- Limit number of 'extra' shirts ordered to 80, limit colors to reduce per shirt cost
- Expect only 70-75 runners (which is actually ideal as if number increases too much, you cannot time manually and incur large expense for professional timers)
- Work towards obtaining 2-3 more t-shirt sponsors
- Look into possibility of a dog/family walk
- Continue with the 'raffle' as that seemed to be a nice bonus for the runners
- See notes below regarding Hawthorne/trail issue

Income from event was \$1,931. (need to check on two outstanding sponsor payments, which would bring income to \$2,031.)

Revitalization on Main Street in Cottage Grove

Restore Oregon is hosting an event in Cottage Grove – Revitalization on Main Street on August 18th. Additional information and registration information can be found on Eventbrite.com/event.

Campground Fees

Karen Roberson requested this topic. Tabled for next meeting due to Karen's absence.

Sutherlin Hot Rod Fun Run

In 2014 the Run made a stop at Park and a few of our board members handed out water bottles and literature on the park. Verifying the date and route. Landa, Celia and Mike will again hand out water and literature when date and estimated time is confirmed.

Welzoo

Received email from Welzoo advertising donations to non-profits every time someone used their site. This is a 'search engine' site (ie: Google). Recommended and agreed that we are not interested in encouraging our members, etc. in changing internet search engine tools.

OTHER ITEMS

Hawthorne Eradication

As discussed and approved during last meeting, Tom Wing has contacted a couple of contractors regarding weed eradication (Benzel Excavation and Jensen tree Service). Rental (including operator) from Jensen would be between \$110-\$125 per hour.

Trail tentatively identified for work, would be the one running along creek by campground. (parallel to Mildred's Forest trail) There is a 'buried' picnic table alongside of this trail, but impossible to access. Also, Kidney Field.

A mutually agreeable date/time will be decided upon for a few members to see firsthand the areas in question. After that Tom will see if the contractor is willing to do a 'free' estimate of cost to clear.

Grants can be applied for to assist with the cost of this project. Landa has volunteered to help write them. Midge gave Landa copy of AQHA grant form submitted last year for campground. Cindy Bright was mentioned as a good resource and Joel Geier (from birders group) has voiced an interest in helping with this project. Wolf Creek Job Corp another contact.

Douglas County Genealogy Society

Stephen Woods from the Douglas County Genealogy Society was present. He gave us an update that Elnora Young is actively pursuing the identification of who is buried at the park. Steve also wanted to know the status of fencing around graves. Landa will touch base with Steve K. and report back. Stephen also volunteered to help with any labor that might be needed to install fencing.

(side note – Stephen is also very involved with the annual Winston Highland games, if he can supply us a soft copy of poster, we will ask our Facebook administrator to post it on our Facebook page)

Oregon Forklore Network

Celia has been in contact with Rachelle Salzman from the Oregon Folklife Network. This group is involved with Native American Indians, Oregon White Oaks, Folk Art in

the parks and many other events. Idea presented to partner with them and encourage the use of Park. Landa and Celia with work on this.

Park Master Plan

To date, no action that we are aware of has taken place on this.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

EVENT DATES

August 28, 2015	Board Meeting
September 19, 2015	Fall Fund Raiser
September 21, 2015	Adopt-A-Highway

NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be on Friday, August 28, 2015 (9 a.m.) – Lane House Annex – Roseburg.