



The meeting of the Board of Directors of the *Friends of Mildred Kanipe Memorial Park Association, Inc.* was called to order on Friday, October 13, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at the Oakland Art Gallery (Turkey Hall). Present were board members: Celia Scott, John Robertson, Steve Kennerly, Leslye Wing and Midge McGinnis. Deb Gray, Landa Baily and Karen Roberson were unable to attend. Mike Burke and Tom Wing were also in attendance.

AGENDA ITEMS

English Settlement School House Restoration

Reviewed revised budget for Kinsman Grant Submission. Decision made to have floor and ceiling removed and purchase needed lumber to replace ceiling and floor. Grant will cover the ceiling/floor removal. The lumber will be purchased by Friends (motion made by Leslye Wing to spend up to \$10,000 on this phase expenditures and seconded by Midge McGinnis).

Questions asked by Kinsman can now be answered and we hope to receive the \$20,000 grant from them.

We will need to obtain estimates for wiring, as this needs to be done while ceiling is out.

Work Party scheduled for Sunday, October 29th, to repair the door and hopefully close in other 'holes' in walls. A raccoon has moved into the school and will be trapped once these repairs are made.

Discussed county contract vs. Adopt-A-Park agreement for this phase. Will work with Rocky Houston on this.

Restore Oregon – Mildred's House

We were very fortunate to have Mildred's Home on the Most Endangered Places for the last few years. Restore Oregon has given us recommendations as to how to proceed. Assessment done in 2016 has outlined the steps and estimates to restore this building. In order to proceed, a professional consultant needs to be found (to be paid via grant they write) to oversee this project.

Park Priorities

In an effort to align our projects with Park Director's vision, we have asked that he let us know what he felt would be valuable to the park. His list included:

- Signage – we also believe that signs directing visitors to the park are needed and County plans to work on these, with some financial support from Friends.
- Trail Improvement – we also feel that clearing/improving current trails and creating a trail between day use and campground would be valuable to guests. This is a project that one of our board members is actively pursuing.
- Hawthorne – county has taken many steps in the last year on this...Director Hawthorne eradication parties, spraying, clearing and burning. Friends have supported these efforts and offered to help where possible
- Campground Trees – Friends continue to work with other groups to water trees planted in spring and also with planting/watering of more trees next month

Miscellaneous

Oakland's Sip and Stroll – November 19th. – Friends will be manning desk at this event again this year. Today we reviewed our membership/donation form and will have it updated and printed in time for Sip and Stroll.

Orchard – unfortunately, no project leader stepped forward to lead a project to work on restoration of Mildred's Orchard. We did receive some volunteers and still hope someone will want to take this effort on.

Adopt-A-Highway – another year of road cleaning managed by Rita Prothero and her husband, Bert. Rita has volunteered to run this project again in 2018! THANK YOU!

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

EVENT DATES

October 29, 2017	School House Work Party – begin between 9 and 10 a.m.
November 4, 2017	Tree Planting – Mildred Kanipe Memorial Park Campground (10 a.m.)
November 17, 2017	Friends of Mildred Kanipe Memorial Park Board Meeting
November 19, 2017	Sip and Stroll - Oakland

NEXT MEETING

Next Meeting – Friday, November 17, 2017 – Turkey Hall, Oakland – 10 a.m.