



The meeting of the Board of Directors of the *Friends of Mildred Kanipe Memorial Park Association, Inc.* was called to order on Friday, November 28, 2022 at 10:20 a.m. at Creekside Restaurant in Sutherlin. Present were: Midge McGinnis, Karen Roberson, Leslye Wing and Deb Gray. Steve Kennerly and Ron McMullin were unable to attend. Guests/Members – Fred Groh, Mike Burke and Jill Rosebush.

AGENDA ITEMS

Fundraisers:

Midge has mailed out 41 letters to former sponsors and local businesses and emailed all members with our annual fundraising request. Several came back that probably have U.S. post boxes vs. a physical address. Deb will drop some of them off when she goes thru Oakland.

Donating is EASY. Can be done on our website or good ole U.S. Mail. Hope we are successful as these funds will go toward doors and transoms for the English Settlement Schoolhouse.

Grant/Right to Access:

Deb Pack has obtained the 'Right to Access' form from legal which Midge forwarded to Zak Terrell (contractor). She thinks that Friends will not have to complete this process as we are not physically doing any of the restoration work.

Rotted Oak Tree by Grave:

Per Ron McMullin this tree is most likely going to be included in the hazardous tree list that the county will remove

Peacock Feed:

Ron McMullin donated one bag of feed and Karen Roberson is going to approach Secret Wine Society about donating toward feed. (they had come to us wanting to donate and

Karen hopes this will be acceptable). Friends does not want to commit to regular (monthly) bags of feed. But any donations or purchases of feed will be appreciated!

Photo/Media Project:

This idea was presented at last meeting by Fred Groh. Lots of discussion and ideas presented today! The purpose and goal of media project is to document what is at the park, document improvements that may be made to the park, increase park awareness, etc. and thus facilitating our ability to acquire grants in the future.

Karen has volunteered to write a Guest Column for News Review – what to do at Kanipe in winter. Every three months a guest column can be submitted and our plan is to do a seasonal column. Pictures can be included so we will be looking at ‘winter’ photos to send in.

New Website to be created to highlight what is at the park. Leslye is going to work on map. Idea was to have locations on the map that link to park photos and info about that location (ie: Fern Woods – pictures around trail. Mildreds’s home – photos of home) Any one can submit photos. Mke Burke and Jill Rosebush volunteered to start taking photos. Photos to be sent to Leslye who will caption and organize them.

Leslye voiced concern about her ability to set up a new website as technology has greatly evolved. Fred knows a website master who is very reasonable...may contact him.

Fred offered to create a simple newsletter that can be emailed. Newsletter to highlight various current activites at the park. Midge to start sending Fred photos via WeTransfer.

Additional Items

Park Advisory Meeting

It has been quite some time since any of our group has been able to attend this meeting. Due to the Green Park issue, three representatives of Friends attended (Mike Burke, Karen Roberson and Ron McMullin). While we are not involved with this issue, it is always worrisome when County discusses selling off a park. Joe Ross was also there and reminded board that the Green park was NOT a surplus park, but rather an unclassified park (per Park Plans done several years ago). No one but those involved with this issue were allowed to speak.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Bird boxes – They are ready to be mounted. Ron and Steve will do some, anyone else interested in helping, contact Ron. They need to be up by February.

Buggy Cleaning – Work party to be set up sometime in spring.

NEXT MEETING

December 16 - 10 a.m. – Deb Gray’s B&B

Meeting Adjourned 11:30 a.m.