



MINUTES

Friday, July 19, 2024

Attendees: Deb Gray, Ron McMullin, Karen Roberson, Midge McGinnis, Leslye Wing and Steve Kennerly.. Absent – Rene Burk and Mike Burke.

School House:

We received Tom Rogers report on the building. He found it stabile and felt it would be fine to continue restoration work. Karen will ask him if he examined the plumb.

Exterior painting. This is still a priority. Both Anne Ocean (previous painter) and Zak Terrell (contactor being used for restoration) have been contacted regarding painting. Hope to get estimates. Painting is extremely costly now. Steve to contact Jason at SHPO to see if he knows of grants that might be available specifically for painting. Also Chelsey was mentioned as a possible painter.

August Orchard Event:

Rene is only available on the 24th of August (which conflicts with Vintage Street Fair (which we are committed to). Karen (and possibly Ron) will meet Rene at the Orchard from 10 to 11) Karen will bring apple juice). Deb will put on Facebook. Rene has Orchard report completed and we look forward to seeing it. Karen will be having the Limb Walker company out to her place and while they are there, she will ask if they have any interest in giving us an arborist assessment.

Vintage Street Fair:

Runs from 9 to 5. Deb will be primary contact. Karen will help her set up. Decided we will sell water again this year.

Sutherlin Visitors Center:

We have committed to being there one Wednesday from 1-4. Deb to pick a Wednesday and let Karen know.

Meeting with Mark Wall:

Decision was made to get on the PAB agenda and present our concerns about water, sewer and mowing at park first. Ron will call 'Jennifer' at park office and find out when next PAB meeting is and get on the agenda. Side note – Umpqua Health Alliance has grants for drinking water!

October Event – Secret Wine Society:

Wine Society is extremely interested in doing this event, but want to do it at the park. They say they will handle everything. Need to touch base with them to see how much this is. Also concerns that there is no running water or working rest rooms. Additionally the picnic tables are in horrible condition. Do they want to rent tables? If done in October, will there be an issue with the bbq? Perhaps suggesting a spring date?

Additional Miscellaneous Items:

Trail Committee: This group is still meeting (with Leslye Wing representing Friends). Leslye is going to suggest that monthly work parties be scheduled to take care of the smaller issues on trails. (working only a couple of hours each time)

Brochures: Deb is going to get an additional 500 printed. Need to get a photo of day use area in it. Leslye has volunteered to get it on brochure. Deb to send it to her.

OED Meeting: In our Friends of MKMP update Deb stressed the importance of having water at Day Use Area so that County could charge rental fees again. Commissioner Freeman was in attendance.

PAB Member: Linda, (from OET) had applied once so far, she is not giving up and will keep trying..

River Day: Umpqua River Appreciation Day is at River Forks Park on Saturday, July 20th from 1 to 6:30. We will have a presence there.

Park Event Hosted by Friends: The following events are tentatively and/or confirmed for the park:

July – Nothing Planned

August (8/24) – Orchard event – Karen will work with Rene on this. Conflict with Vintage Street Fair, but will work it out ☺.

September – History Focus

October – Secret Wine Society would like to have an on site event in October. We are thinking early spring would be better.

November – Hike (general)

December – Nothing planned. Collect scions from trees for grafting?

NEXT Meeting and Upcoming Events:

August 9th – Next board meeting – Day Use Area

August 24th – Vintage Street Fair

September 23, 2024 – Adopt a Highway

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