



Minutes

Friday, April 22, 2022

10:00 a.m. – Mildred Kanipe Park – English Settlement School

Attendees: Karen Roberson, Deb Gray, Steve Kennerly, Leslye Wing and two guests, Susanne Watson and Barbara Buffington

Mugs

New mugs will be 12 oz. black with Yellow logo. Green interior. Slightly tapered. Deb will determine cost and order soon

Native Plants in Gravesite

No new info. Steve mentioned the gravesite fence gates are there but not installed. Deb is going to talk to county employee, Amber, and see if she will plant native plants/bulbs if FMK will supply them.

Dobie Fugate – Interview with Conni Riley

Latest communication from Conni (dated Apr 21) is she is still trying to set a date with Dobie. Further discussion resulted in an idea that we should gather as many stories from people who interacted with Mildred, her ranch or the schoolhouse. We need to document and possibly put together a booklet of interesting stories. Possible people to contribute – Karen's brothers, Karen, Steve Carlinger (?), Pat Healy.

Benches

Plaques were given to Steve. Tabled discussion about a third bench to a later date.

School House

Leslye, Deb and Steve to make a date to meet together at Deb's House and finish Grant Submission.

Repair boards under school

Need to verify that Zak will do this. We should not be going under the schoolhouse to tackle this job.

Orchard

No new info. Discussed trying to find Std Apple Rootstock to make grafts. Karen will check Extension office if they can help us locate rootstock.

Work Party to Clean Buggy

Decided to have work party immediately following our next Board Meeting, May 27th.

Bird Boxes

In the fall we will replace some old houses, clean out existing boxes and mount other houses in appropriate locations. Houses to be supplied by ODFW. We do not have any birdhouses in storage.

Additional Items Discussed:

- Amber found a tool (that may be from the Sheep Shed). She gave it to the caretaker. Steve has the machine that was in sheep shed (for safe keeping since all equipment/tools in the shed was stolen). Deb will ask Amy if she can supply a lock for the shed.
- Ron & Steve noticed some old wooden signs in the horse barn. One says “Mildred Kanipe”, another says “Memorial Park”. Idea to install in parking triangle in day use area with a sign that says “Welcome to”.
- We need to print new color membership/info brochures.
- Since we had a new member at our meeting we discussed what The Friends have done for the park, what we do, and some history regarding the park and the county.
- Susanne mentioned that we should have a larger, more prominent sign about joining The Friends at the Day Use Kiosk. We discussed doing that and doing some maintenance on the sign up box also.
- Susanne told us she watched an otter in the pond at the park! Yahoo!
- Discussed inviting Collin Strasenburg to meeting and possibly become a board member. He is a park neighbor on the north side with 3 properties.
- Karen will send a Thank You card to the cattle lessees. The work that they have accomplished removing hawthorne and blackberries is greatly appreciated.

Date of Next Meeting – May 27th, 10AM- Day Use Area, followed by Buggy Clean up Work Party