

NEW YORK CHAPTER OF THE ADK

MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Minutes October 16, 2019

Teleconference:

In attendance : Eve Mancuso, Teri Gabel, Marty Kellerman, Suzanne Rocheleau, Lisa North , Guy Lingley, Bill Burns, Susanne Flower, Diane Booth, Mark Fedow

Chapter Chair Report – Lisa North

Motion - September minutes re-approved at meeting. Motion to re-approve the meeting minutes. Offered by Susanne Flower, seconded by Diane Booth. Vote- All in favor - Unanimous

Motion - August minutes re-approved at meeting. Motion to approve the meeting minutes. Offered by Bill Burns, seconded by Teri Gabel. Vote- All in favor - Unanimous

Winter Social – update: The Social will take place on Sunday Jan 26, 12 to 3 pm at Pete’s tavern, NYC. A \$ 200 deposit was placed to hold the reservation. Hope to keep cost to \$ 47

Ellen King offered a suggestion to present certificates to members 50 years and over at Winter Social as was the custom years ago. Everyone generally agreed with this gesture of goodwill and acknowledgement. Discussion to be continued at the November meeting.

Brief discussion regarding Annual Appeal. Eve Mancuso to send out letters in November.

Conference call with ADK and with ACA for the Green Amendment to constitution will be scheduled. Tabled for further update.

Secretary Report- Eve Mancuso

A discussion regarding the elections process took place. Noted poll workers and tally committee were in place. Eve Mancuso will prepare and print voting ballots, instructions for workers, ballot box and Chapter Member lists for the poll workers to check in voters. All necessary materials will be delivered to Nawakwa. Eve plans to arrive approx. ½ hour early to set up. Food and beverages will be offered to all volunteers.

Counting will follow immediately thereafter and the results sent out by e mail.

Website Update- Brandon Hunt will contact Giacomo Servetti to assist with transfer of domain.

Treasurer Report – Suzanne Rocheleau

As previously approved by the Board a \$100 donation for Neil Woodward retirement, \$ 200 for conservation, \$ 200 deposit for winter social

Suzanne Rocheleau picked up the mail from the PO Box - 27 for voting, 20 for amendment

Receipts of \$ 631 for refurbishing porch rails was submitted –apply to MCI.

Receipts for \$ 500 for gravel was submitted – apply to MCI

Keep Call A Head latrine all year to support and encourage winter activities at camp.

Camp Chair Report – Don Gabel

Don offered a Thank you for work accomplished on work weekend.

He has a source for more wood, September 26 is wood work day.

MCI- floats 3 floats approximately \$ 125 each roughly \$ 300 cost.

More stone is needed approx... Cost is \$ 550

Kayak dock \$ 2250, basic kit \$ 825. Maybe use funds from donations. Will provide specs or vendor for further review and discussion by Board.

Discuss projects for MCI so receipts are submitted by the end of the year. Potentially complete handrail project and save other projects for 2020

Activities Committee – Marty Kellerman

Looking forward – planning on 2 Music nights, live animal presentation, lectures, yoga (discuss location with Sarah)

Committee on the Environment – Marty Kellerman

The first meeting was held in Sept 14, 8 people were in attendance. Discussed the mission of the committee – focus on all levels local, regional, state, national.

Motion- to form a new committee called Committee on the Environment whose mission is lobbying and political organizing to protect the environment on the local level in Harriman State Park, and on the regional, state and national issues. For example The Green amendment to NY State Constitution and in conjunction with other interested groups. Motion was offered by Diane Booth, seconded by Bill Burns. Vote: Vote in favor – Eve Mancuso, Marty Kellerman, Susanne Flower, Guy Lingley, Lisa North, Diane Booth, Bill Burns, Suzanne Rocheleau, Mark Fedow. Abstained: Teri Gabel

Marty Kellerman and Lisa North volunteered to be co-chairs. The Board agreed to this appointment.

Conservation Committee –

The Board wishes to thank Don Gabel for his service as Committee Chair. Don Gabel will continue to work with the committee. Ira Stahl has volunteered to be the new chair of the committee. The Board accepted Ira Stahl to this position

Special projects - Guy Lingley –

Guy Lingley provided an update and reported on the status of the step to the porch project. He will continue to proceed with investigating materials and costs for in fill mesh which is needed for code compliance to reduce the opening size to 4 inch maximum...

Trails Committee –Bill Burns

Reminder was sent out to all volunteer trail maintainers that the trail work report is due in November.

Main Club Meeting- Mark Fedow

Neil Woodward is retiring. New Executive president is Neil Barret – Neil is also an attorney. This is a paid position

Tom Andrews - new president – from Heart Lake area and actively participated in that project. Volunteer position. We anticipate changes with the new vision of the organization with these new people.

Main Club – facing financial challenges in the upcoming year.

Winter Social

Ellen King had suggested that Members 50 years or more receive an award. Janet Sibarium, Ellen King and Jerry Flower will provide the list by researching the members list.

So far there are 5 members. A letter thanking them to their continued support of the association and inviting them as guests of the chapter. They would be awarded a Life membership thus no longer pay camp fees. Further research needed.

Motion- offered by Marty Kellerman, seconded by Susanne Flower. To invite 50 year members as guests to winter social, the chapter will pay for lunch. Offer certificates of acknowledgement and thanks and a write up in the Trail Marker. Vote - in favor: unanimous.

Motion - offered by Marty Kellerman, seconded by Susanne Flower to have the winter social scheduled for the last Sunday in January, given availability of a restaurant to enable members to plan ahead. Vote – in favor: unanimous.

Next meeting- October 19 afternoon at Nawakwa.

Nov 6: teleconference at 7

December 8 at Eves office at 10 30 am

Meeting Adjourned 8:08 pm

Respectfully Submitted

Eve Mancuso, Secretary to the Board