

NAWAKWA OUTDOOR ASSOCIATION of NEW YORK, INC.

MEETING MINUTES

Date: September 9/20/23

Board Members: Ray Kozma, Susanne Flower, Suzanne Rocheleau, Carol Burns, Guy Lingley , Alex Wilkie, Ingrid Strauch, Marty McDonald, Eve Mancuso

Not present: Teri Gabel

Committee Chairs, Bill Burns, Dave Hayes, Edie Blum, Ellen King, Mary James, Marty Kellerman, Jerry Flower, Andy Frank, Mary Hilley, Janet Sibarium, Jessica Scirbona,

Chairs Report – Ray Kozma

Motion to accept meeting minutes from August 16, 2023 ,Open Meeting , as amended, offered by Susanne Flower, seconded by Alex Wilkie. Vote: In favor – unanimous. Motion passes.

Secretary Report – Eve Mancuso

Memorialize various motions that were previously voted upon by email:

Motion to accept new Keyholders was voted upon and the motion passed – Amanda Panzer, Brian Panzer, Mike Panzer, Kathy McGuire.

Motion to accept new Keyholders was voted upon and the motion passed -Devorah Kessler, Evan Rothfarb, Marta Bautis

Motion to proceed with the design, and production of patches by Dave Hayes commemorating the 100 Year Anniversary Celebration, at no cost to the club. Motion was voted upon and the motion passed.

Treasurer Report – Suzanne Rocheleau

PIPC will not yet apply MCI for the rent. The MCI will be applied in the following year.

The estate of Helga Fedder- waiting to hear from her attorney for the amount of the bequeath to Nawakwa.

The club is operating with a small deficit. Fees may require adjustment in 2024.

Membership Committee Report – Jerry Flower

There are 6 new members, and 19 applicants.

Camp Chair- Dave Hayes

Dave summarized the DOH visit and review:

- CPR mask missing from swim dock, but a member donated one so the matter was immediately addressed.
- Floor boards to be replaced, in men's restroom.
- Overall inspection went well.

The Work Day – went very well. Unfortunately, they could not recover the lost ladder to floating dock.

A ground site is temporarily closed due to a dead tree- PIPC will address it. PIPC will also fix leak, and repair the park's side of our entry gate.

Swim area - waterfront, the signage good, swim ladder sank due to rotted boards and the boards have been replaced.

Scuba diver from Eureka Camp attempted to find the ladder with no luck. We will need to buy a new ladder.

Boating waterfront- Lillian Negron offered to donate a folding kayak. Tabled for next meeting until Dave can open it and see if it is durable and will function well for camp use.

ACA changed the code at the lockbox, outer gate maliciously broken.

Projects:

- Steps- move forward with bringing granite stone from PIPC to continue to build steps.
- Handrails – Dave will develop a plan for moving forward on this that will include extending the rails from the Waterfront area up towards the parking lot.
- Upper handrails to bathrooms and cabins – Dave has been sourcing wood and will address this as the handrails and some posts have reached their useful life. Develop a plan and materials list.
- Make new signs for organizing the workbench.

October 21 is the last clean up and wood day of the season. Need many members to close the waterfront, and to split wood. Janet Sibarium will Host lunch.

Hosting Committee- Mary Hilley

Next hosted weekend is October 7, 2023, Ingrid Strauch, plan for Orientation during the day 12 pm to 3 pm. Ray to show movie at night.

Anita D’Kroger – Oct 28/29 Halloween weekend needs a co -host.

Activities Committee- Edie Blum

Plans for 2024- Was considering a bread making class – seeking volunteers – Maybe Marty McDonald , or Susanne Flower

Perhaps- another painting event – with Alex Wilkie.

Bird Walk – by Mary James

Conservation – Kate Walker no report

Education – Marty Kellerman no report

Webmaster (Marty McDonald)

Marty will not be available to act as webmaster between 9/21/23 and 10/21/23. Jess Scirbona will cover as acting webmaster in his absence

Trail Maintenance – Mary James and Andy Frank

Would like to schedule a fall trail maintenance workday for fall. Will coordinate and schedule.

Archives – Ellen King

No report.

Old Business –

- a. Swim Dock Sign In- Dave has the written sign in list. He now needs to locate the website list so he may combine the lists and produce one comprehensive document of those who may fulfill the swim supervisor role.
- b. Election – and Bylaws vote – by Proxy and in person

Motion to approve Bylaws and Update Certificate of Incorporation. Motion offered by Susanne Flower, seconded by Carol Burns,. Vote: In favor – unanimous. Motion passes.

c. Annual Meeting – October 14, 2023

- Time 10 am to 11 am Zoom meeting.
- 12 noon to 1 pm at camp voting.
- Tally 1 pm to 3 pm.
- Eve Mancuso to E mail - Proxy for elections and bylaws, and certificate of incorp – send out revised bylaws within next week.
- Eve will USPS mail those same documents to those without email.
- Potentially Tally Committee- Janet Sibarium, maybe Mona Haigler and Steve Barre.

d. Oktoberfest / Centennial Anniversary Celebration– looking good, has a rain contingency, 2 tents, starts at 3 pm. Ed Spiro, Local Trails Committee Chair and Deborah Padula, Supervisor of Trail Maintainers from the New York New Jersey Trail Conference, were both invited to Nawakwa for the Centennial celebration. They had expressed interest in coming to camp but neither one was available for the celebration on September 23rd.

e. Hikes guidebook “From the Back Door” created by the Hikes Committee.

f. Cookbook with camp recipes created by Susanne Flower. – should be ready by the end of next week.

g. Park Wish List tabled for discussion at the next meeting

h. Winter Social - January 21, 2023. Characters. Eve Mancuso is to plan and coordinate with Characters.

Next Board meeting- November 1, 7 PM.

Motion to adjourn Suzanne Rocheleau, seconded by Susanne Flower. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Eve Mancuso, Secretary