



MINUTES

Trail's End Camp Board of Trustees

June 21, 2022

Rusk County Government Center – Small Conference Room

Members and staff present: Lois Goode, Joe Baye, Valerie Spooner, Paula Carow, Steve Monday, Ron Weber, Heather Towers, Charmaine Riddle, CeCe Rudnicki

Meeting called to order by Vice Chair Towers at 5:00 PM

Introductions were done. Lois Goode is newest member representing the Rusk County Board. Welcome Lois!

Minutes: Baye/Goode motion to approve minutes from April 19, 2022. Heather noted that her last name is Towers rather than Moreno. Motion carried.

Public Comments: None

Election of Chair: Carow nominated Lois Goode for Trustees Chair. Towers called three times for any other nominations. Carow/Baye motion to close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Goode. Motion carried. Goode took over as chair of the meeting.

Election of Vice Chair: Baye nominated Heather Towers for Trustees Vice Chair. Goode called three times for any other nominations. Carow/Weber motion to close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Towers. Motion carried.

Election of Secretary: Baye/Monday motion to postpone election of Secretary to next meeting. Motion carried.

Carow announced that she will need to resign from Board of Trustees to attend to family matters effective immediately.

Caretaker/Maintenance Report: Rudnicki went over June 2022 Report – attached. Assistance is needed for check-in and check-out August 11-14. Monday will assist with check-in on August 11 and Towers will assist with check-out on August 14.

Coordinator Report: Riddle included the by-laws, 1967 resolution and 2022 budget with handouts for members. Facebook page is <https://www.facebook.com/Trails-End-Camp-1139615352718581> . Website is <https://ruskcounty.org/index.asp?SEC=99E1F50D-5480-4C73-9A5D-30FA956E2075> The website includes history, reservation information and forms. Riddle went over the calendar. A new youth group is currently using camp for 2 separate camps. They would like to attend a 3rd in August. They are liking camp and will likely be returning next year. Breanne Jakobi has resigned as the Rusk County 4-H coordinator. With Carow's resignation, we can fill the additional public representative and 4-H representative via advertising on Facebook. We need to have capital improvement ideas to finance by July 1. What are some thoughts about projects? Pavilion, stove, bridge

(for future). Also need screen doors and painting on cabins. Garbage is weekly pickup for June and July because of many users. TULIP policies (insurance) is still needed for users. This is about \$60 per day additional cost for users which does not count as income for camp. There is an evaluation form which gets sent to users. This can be handed to users at time of checkout.

New Business: Discussion about attendance guidelines and the possibility of alternates. Changes can be made to by-laws at October meeting. Towers will write up a list of Trustee Expectations for new and existing members for the board to go over. We will be hosting the Chamber 5:05 at camp on September 13.

Trustee Time: Baye attended an event at camp this past weekend. He went into all the buildings and felt camp looked very nice. Spooner reported that RCYC will be visiting camp in July. Charmaine has been very helpful in going through the application process. Monday checked out the kitchen stove at camp and had recommendations for a replacement using gas. He will send the information to Riddle for including in the capital improvement request. Towers will be attending camp in August with the Girl Scouts. They need more space for outdoor cooking instruction and hope to build a hop scotch area at camp.

Next meeting: July 19, 2022 at 5:00 PM at Government Center. Consider having September meeting at camp.

Baye/Towers motion to adjourn. Chair Goode adjourned the meeting at 6:28 PM



June 2022 Report

Completed

- Kellie Morgan joined us as the intern and is doing great!
- June is full of groups – both youth and private – lots of check in, check out, cleaning camp
- Beach is tested weekly when groups are in session and status is posted online – check out <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/Beaches/AdvisoryMap.html>
- Bruce school helped with cleaning and trail projects - May 13 – THANK YOU!!!!
- Septic tanks pumped

Planned for June

- Damaged siding on Ebling Hall to be replaced by JJ Northland Construction in July. Doors on dining hall will be done June 23.
- Gutters to be installed on Ebling and kitchen by Complete Rain Gutter Service
- Get canoe trailers serviced
- New cabinet for cleaning supplies for pantry
- Trail clearing maintenance
- Get quotes from plumber to address plumbing issues at camp – faucets and toilets – issues are because water gets turned off each year and fixtures plug with sediment
- Rehab concrete mixer behind shop to assist with some smaller concrete projects around camp

Yet to be completed for 2022

- Get cameras placed throughout camp for security while camp is not being used
- Split rail fences
- New entrance sign
- Dirt work
- Complete Nature Trail improvements – overlook, benches, nature ID, marking posts, map
- Trail Work
 - Burn old boardwalk
 - Prep swamp area near boardwalk for seeding
 - Anchor boardwalk
 - Finish additional structures on west trail
 - Build benches
 - Map trail
 - Hand railing on steps
- Empty garbage from Caretaker's cabin
- Assess and complete exterior painting needs of numerous buildings
- Replace portion of sidewalk on west side of kitchen (7' x 11.5' area)
- Paint picnic tables and benches