

# NFLA Business Meeting - Approved

July 2, 2011

1. President Betsy Holycross called the meeting to order.
2. Roll call: Board members present—Betsy Holycross, Bonny Ogle, Molly Shepard, Tom Edwards, Lee Secrest, Richard Hildner, Debo Powers; Board members absent--Margaret Heaphy; 38 members present
3. Betsy announced that two members of our community have died: Sandy Thompson and Jean Grimaldi.
4. The June Minutes were read by Bonnie.
  - Debo made a motion to approve the minutes.
  - The motion was seconded by Richard.
  - The minutes were approved unanimously.
5. Bonny gave the June Treasurer's Report.

During June, NFLA had \$540 income and \$445.88 in expenses. The total assets are \$12,940.68.
6. Committee Reports
  - a. Fire Mitigation (Molly Shepard)

Fire Wise Day was held on June 11. Information concerning forest insects and disease was presented. Participants also took a field trip.

A new Fuels Mitigation Grant was written and submitted by Bill Shope, Alan Crisman, and Molly Shepard for \$140,000 for approved fire mitigation projects. The grant will provide 75% of the cost with the landowners contributing 25% of the cost.
  - b. Weeds (John Fredrick)

Although the weed project did not get any RAC funds this year, the following weed round-ups will be held:

Robin Cox Memorial Weed Round up on July 15

July 26 River Corridor Weed Round up (Border to Ford)

August 19 River Corridor Round-up (Ford to Polebridge)

New weed information signs will be placed in ten locations, including Glacier Rim, Polebridge, Cyclone, Whale Creek Road, Ford Put-In, Sondreson Hall, and Polebridge Put-In.
  - c. History (Morgan Hart)

The History Committee met on June 28 to organize logistics for the auction, including editing an information flier to be distributed to North Forkers.

The Hall will be open on July 18, 20, and 22 from 2:00-5:00 for people to drop off auction items.

Those wishing to participate in auction logistics were encouraged to contact Morgan or Debo.
  - d. Social (Gerry Sterns)

The busy social calendar for July was reviewed. The calendar of activities can be found on the NFLA website. Gerry asked for help making signs that announce events and are posted

at the Hall and at the Polebridge intersection on the North Fork Road. Betsy thanked the social committee for their hard work.

e. Trails (John Fredrick)

The July hiking schedule was reviewed.

f. Hall Maintenance (Lee Secrest)

Pending Hall projects were reviewed. Matt Nordic is working with Lee to refurbish the pit toilet. The Hall floors also need re-finishing.

7. Other entities

a. North Fork Patrol (Larry Wilson)

Members were reminded that they should not call NFP if broken into. These things need to be reported to Sheriff. NFP will contact you if they see a problem. The Old Ford Schoolhouse (Funk Cabin) was broken into although there was nothing in the cabin, the windows were broken out.

Larry also reported that a criminal, Dave Bergerd, may be hiding around here. He is very good in the wilderness and very familiar with this area. He is heavily armed and, if spotted, should be avoided.

b. Fire Chief (Lynn Ogle)

There is no more open burning until the end of September, even with a permit. Lynn encouraged people to report smoke if sighted.

c. NFLUAC (John Fredrick)

The first meeting of the summer was held prior to the NFLA meeting. The group discussed the B-2HG Zone proposal before the County Commission. Richard had petitions opposing the proposal and encouraged people to sign the petition following the meeting. The last day to submit comments is Tuesday, July 2 at 5:00pm.

d. RAC funding (Larry Wilson)

This will probably be the last year for RAC funding. Applications are due in September.

8. Old and Continuing Business

a. NFLA Elections

Betsy announced that there are openings for President, Vice President, and Secretary/Treasurer. Lee and Richard are running for re-election for their seats. Debo is running for President. If she wins, her seat will be open also.

b. Secretary/Treasurer position

Bonny will not be keeping her position. Betsy encouraged a "hero" to step forward to take this responsibility. It has been suggested that this position can be divided. During this year, Bonny served as the Treasurer and a board member (Debo) took the meeting minutes. A similar arrangement may be needed going forward depending on who steps forward.

c. Interlocal

Betsy announced that the Summer Interlocal meeting is scheduled for July 13 with potluck at 12:00 and meeting at 1:00. She asked the membership what topics they would like to have addressed at the meeting by various government agencies.

The following topics were offered:

--How is state going to clean up the mess on Moose Creek Road left from logging? (Huge slash piles)

--Residents were told that Moose Creek Road would be grated after the project. When will this occur?

--For the Forest Service: Condition of Forest Service Roads? Sondreson Meadow? Reopening the airfield at Sondreson? Improve boat launch at Ford? Need a serviceable pit toilet at Sondreson's Meadow. Status of Red Whale Project. Slash piles on Moose Creek Road. Moose Creek Road closed during project? Culvert on Mile Marker 10 on Red Meadow.

--County Road Department: problems on upper road; 6 culverts pushed to the side

## 9. New Business

a. There was discussion about the best kind of signage for events. The question was: Should we have a more permanent sign in front of the Hall? No decision was made, but Lee and Molly said that they would develop a design for consideration.

b. New Bylaw Amendments—No new bylaws were proposed.

## 10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30pm.

Minutes submitted by Debo Powers, Acting Secretary.

Minutes were corrected and approved unanimously at the August Business Meeting 8/6/11.