



NORTH FORK LANDOWNER'S ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

Sondreson Hall
August 14, 2022, 8 pm

Board Members Present

Richard Hildner, President
Kevin Halsey, Vice-President
Chris Heitz, Treasurer
Karina Pettey, Secretary
Bill Walker, Past President

Kenna Halsey, North Director
Irv Heitz, North Director
Jim Rittenburg, South Director
Kevin Ulrichsen, South Director

NFLA members enjoyed the “Bear Smart” presentation by Suzanne Hildner prior to the membership meeting.

1. NFLA President’s Welcome & Opening Remarks

1.1. Opening remarks provided by Richard Hildner

2. July 10, 2022, meeting minutes were approved as read.

3. Treasurer’s Report

3.1. Chris Heitz provided the July report, the NFLA had 394 paid members. Dues for the new year are payable on September 1, 2022. Income was \$562 and expenses were 529.37. Ending Fund balance was \$38,074.27. She noted that the insurance premium will be paid in August.

4. Committee Reports

4.1. Fire Mitigation – Molly reported the July 13 Firewise Day was very successful. The TIPS grant is still open to landowners from Tepee Creek to the Canadian border and please track your time spent on Firewise activities. The Fire Mitigation committee will be collecting that information in September / October for the year.

4.1.1. Lynn Ogle, presented information regarding the Weasel, Elmo and Moose(Salmon, ID) fires.

4.2. History Committee – Lois provided a report of her activities for the month. She was interviewed for the Glacier National Park podcast. Attachment 1

4.3. Maintenance Committee – Irv Heitz noted that one dead bat was found in the hall.

4.4. Sunshine Committee – Lynn Ogle presented the Sunshine report for Bonny Ogle, a total of 13 cards were sent in July. If anyone has extra cards, please send them to Bonny.

4.5. Welcome Committee – Beth Ulrichsen reported that the committee is welcoming new residents.

5. Old Business

5.1. Richard Hildner conducted a lively auction:

5.1.1. Ray Brown - baseball glove \$7

5.1.2. Lois Walker – bat \$21

5.1.3. Ed Neneman – stove door - \$30

5.1.4. Del & Linda Coolidge – kindling \$20

- 5.2. NFLA Bylaws vote – Final vote regarding changes to the NFLA bylaws which were prepared by the NFLA Board and presented at the June & July meetings and on the NFLA website.
 - 5.2.1. Grammar/punctuation errors – approved by acclamation
 - 5.2.2. Amendment #2 – approved by acclamation
 - 5.2.3. Amendment #3 – approved by acclamation
 - 5.2.4. Amendment #4 – approved by acclamation
 - 5.2.5. Amendment #5 – approved by acclamation
 - 5.2.6. Amendment #6 – approved with one dissenting vote (Irv Heitz) “just because!”

6. New Business

- 6.1. August elections for NFLA Board members – the membership, at the request of Mark Heaphy, approved moving the elections of officers to the last item on the agenda. After the reports from Non-NFLA individuals/organizations were presented, the election was held.
 - 6.1.1. Larry Wilson called for the election of NFLA board members for the 2022-2023 year. He reminded members that “you must be present to vote” and that all board seats are elected annually except for the North/South Directors who serve two-year terms. The President is limited to two consecutive terms. The following individuals were elected by acclamation:
 - 6.1.1.1. President – Richard Hildner (2nd one-year term)
 - 6.1.1.2. Vice President – Jack McFarland
 - 6.1.1.3. Treasurer – John Zardis
 - 6.1.1.4. Secretary – Karina Pettey
 - 6.1.1.5. North Director – Steve Berg
 - 6.1.1.6. South Director – Kevin Ulhrichsen
 - 6.1.2. North Director, Irv Heitz, and South Director, Jim Rittenburg have one more year to serve on their terms.
 - 6.1.3. Past-President remains Bill Walker
- 6.2. Announcement: NFLA board will convene for a brief session following the membership meeting tonight.

7. Reports from Non – NFLA individuals or organizations

- 7.1. North Fork Patrol – Mark Heaphy thanked Irv and Chris Heitz for their service to NF residents and members of North Fork Patrol. He reminded attendees that bow season starts on September 3 and to always secure valuables. The sheriff is investigating the theft of \$20,000 of items stolen from an unlocked property.
- 7.2. Polebridge Bear Smart Committee – Suzanne Hildner presented prior to the membership meeting.
- 7.3. NFLUAC Update – Jim Rittenburg reported on the text amendment presentation to the planning board on August 10, 2022. As the last item on the agenda, the board did not begin deliberations until after 10:30 pm. A vote was taken to accept the Findings of Fact which passed without discussion. Minutes after midnight there was a vote to forward the application to the County Commissioners with a unanimous negative recommendation. The NFLUAC will reconvene soon to consider its options.

8. Member / Guest Comments

- 8.1. Members expressed appreciation to Paul Mauritz for holding square dances this summer.
- 8.2. Alan Burton was introduced by Irv Heitz as a new member.
- 8.3. Appreciation was expressed by the board and members to Chris Heitz for her years of service as Treasurer. She was presented with flowers, a card and gift certificate.

9. Adjournment