



## **NORTH FORK LANDOWNER'S ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES**

**Sondreson Hall  
September 11, 2022, 7 pm**

### **Board Members Present**

Richard Hildner, President  
Jack McFarland, Vice-President  
Karina Pettey, Secretary  
Bill Walker, Past President  
Steve Berg, North Director  
Jim Rittenburg, South Director  
Kevin Ulrichsen, South Director

### **Board Members Absent**

John Zardis, Treasurer  
Irv Heitz, North Director

### **1. NFLA President's Welcome & Opening Remarks**

1.1. Richard Hildner welcomed members to the September meeting.

2. Minutes of August 14, 2022, Meeting were approved as read.

### **3. Treasurer's Report**

- 3.1. All committees need to submit their budget requests for the new year along with any updates to their mission statements by September 23, 2022. These will be reviewed at the October 3, 2022, NFLA Board meeting and the budget will be presented at the October membership meeting.
- 3.2. The 2021-2022 annual audit was conducted on September 8. A report was submitted to be reviewed by the board at its October meeting.

### **4. Committee Reports**

- 4.1. Fire Mitigation – Richard Hildner distributed guidance of activities and expenses that qualify for the Firewise report. (Attachment 1)
- 4.2. History – Bill Walker reported that Lois is trying to confirm that the Forest Service is planning to finish the Ford School House Roof in September.
- 4.3. Maintenance – Richard Hildner requested that members consider ways to seal up the critter access points in the hall before we proceed with installing a ceiling.
- 4.4. Sunshine – Bonny Ogle reported that from 8/12 to 9/11 a total of six cards were sent. For the year ended August 31, 2022, a total of 123 cards were sent. (Attachment 2)
- 4.5. Wall of Fame – Larry Wilson reported that this will be a winter project.
- 4.6. Welcome – Beth Ulrichsen reported that Lois Walker is passing names of new residents to the committee and that the Welcome Brochure will be updated over the winter.
- 4.7. A moment of silence in memory of all who served and those who died in the 9/11 attack was led by Lynn Ogle.
- 4.8. Fire Report – Lynn reported that smoke in the area is from a multitude of fires in the west. Now that we've had frost, the grass is dry. Please do not burn until we have had significant rain or snow. (Attachment 3)

**5. Old Business - None**

**6. New Business**

- 6.1. October Food Bank Drive will support the Veterans food bank this year. Please bring food/checks to the October meeting.
- 6.2. Recognition of NFLA supporters – Richard Hildner presented certificates of appreciation to the following individuals for their volunteer service: Mark/Margaret Heaphy, Randy Kenyon, Lynn Ogle and Bonny Ogle.

**7. Reports from Non – NFLA individuals or organizations**

- 7.1. North Fork Patrol – Mark Heaphy reported that the theft reported in August is still under investigation. Bow season has begun. Please be aware of the various dates that different hunts begin.
- 7.2. Polebridge Bear Smart Committee – Suzanne Hildner mentioned that Columbia Falls has put in place emergency restrictions regarding bear attractants due to bear activity within city limits. The Polebridge community is not currently experiencing the same level of activity.
- 7.3. NFLUAC Update – Randy Kenyon reported that the NFLUAC is planning to go to the county commissioners on November 1, 2022, to request approval of the zoning changes.
- 7.4. Trails – Bill Walker reported that a visit to Grizzly Inn was made using Trail #9 on September 10, next weekend, a crew will hike trail #4. The monthly meeting will be held at the Walker home on Wednesday, September 14 at 6pm.

**8. Member / Guest Comments**

- 8.1. Christmas Dinner will be held at Sondreson Hall this year and hosted by Mark & Margaret Heaphy and Jan Caldwell.
- 8.2. If anyone would like to host the Thanksgiving Dinner, which is an NFLA sponsored event, please contact Richard Hildner.

**9. Adjournment**

- 9.1. The next NFLA meeting is scheduled for October 9, 2022, at 7pm.