



NFLA - Membership Meeting Minutes- June 9, 2024

Meeting Date: Sunday June 9, 2024, at 7 pm

Location: Community Hall

Attendees: 40 present

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- ✓ Jack McFarland, President
- ✓ Jim Rittenburg, Vice President
- John Zardis, Treasurer- not present
- ✓ John Stone, S. Director
- ✓ Kevin Ulrichsen, S. Director
- ✓ Cheryl Crane, N. Director
- Steve Berg, N. Director- not present
- ✓ Beth Ulrichsen, Secretary
- ✓ Richard Hildner, Past President

6:30 pm: Guest Presentation: Bear update by Justine Vallieries; including practice with inert bear spray

8 pm: Membership meeting

1. Call to order at 8:20
2. Welcome and Opening Remarks
 - a. Remembering losses in the community since last summer
 - i. Lynn Ogle shared the names of all that we lost in the NF since last summer: Peggy Martin's dad (Mr. Bumgardener), Karina Petty's dad, Greg Macker's mom (Mary Angeline Macker), Will Meeker, Randy Winter, Bill Olmstead, Dawn Jacobson's son (Nathan Bartz), Mid Connelly, Bill Sapa, Iris Ostrom, Karen Chevas, Jim Better, Linda Franchini, Lee Downs, Cecily McNeil, Dick Lawrence, Jim Little, and Winnie Storli
 - ii. A moment of silence was observed
 - b. Ceiling project recognition
 - i. Jack recognized John Stone for all his effort in organizing the volunteer crew for the ceiling project and the ordering and delivery of materials
 - ii. John Stone expressed how wonderful it was to complete this project with volunteers. The most important part of the project was the connecting with new people and working together as a community
 - c. Recognition of Lois for the updating and organization of all the wall history and memories
 - i. Jack thanked Lois for all the time, effort, and detail she put into updating the walls
 - ii. Lois shared how she reorganized things and added to the walls. She also shared that there are albums of the building of the Hall and the addition of the porch on the back table.
 - d. Appreciation for the Dan Jacobson's leadership and running of maintenance day at the hall
 - i. Hall Cleanup Day was a success, all went smoothly.
 - ii. John and Zoe Zardis provided a wonderful barbeque lunch
3. October 8th Membership Meeting Minutes – Short summary (copies available at the hall and online)
 - i. Beth Shared a summary of the minutes from October 8th, 2023.
 - ii. Jack shared that the full minutes are available online on the NFlandowners.org website.
4. Treasurer's Report
 - a. No report available
5. Committee Reports Shared
 - a. Sunshine

- i. Lynn shared that since October 2023, 130 birthday cards, 26 thank you notes, 13 sympathy, 9 get well, 6 thinking of you, 6 anniversary, 2 encouragement, and 2 congratulations cards were sent. A total of 194 cards. Plus, additional phone calls, texts, and Facebook notes
 - b. History
 - i. Lois shared that she and a team of helpers rearranged the photos on the wall, she is currently going through all of Larry Wilson's digital photos, she is recording an oral history of Bonnie and Lynn Ogle, has received a collection of letters from Blanche McDougall, working on Hamor family photos and memories of their homestead, Northern Lights Saloon history compiled
 - c. Maintenance – no report available
 - d. Welcome
 - i. Beth reported that there are still many new folks to start visiting again this season! She asked that people continue to let her know when new neighbors arrive!
 - e. Fire Mitigation
 - i. Kevin shared that June 20th will be Basic Fire Day starting at 9:30 Chainsaw safety and Home Ignition Zones and a tour of the Taylor's. On July 10th Firewise Day Starting at 9:30 An insurance agent will come share info and be sure to keep track of FireWise hours for Molly.
6. Organization Reports (Non-NFLA)
 - a. North Fork Patrol - Mark Heaphy reported that 130 residents were checked, 750 miles covered, only weather/snow related damages found. He also reminded us to all be safe on the water.
 - b. Polebridge Bear Smart -Suzanne Hildner referred to the educational presentation by the speakers earlier in the evening, reminding us to be Bear Aware.
 - c. NFPA -Flannery reminded all of the annual meeting on July 22. John Fraley will be the guest speaker, and there will be a pot luck. They are also looking for volunteers to help with the FireWise luncheon. Go to the Gravel.org website for more info on CRMP.
 - d. NF Trails Bill Walker reported that a crew cut alder to the Grizzly Inn, and that Cyclone and Chain Lakes have been opened. Six Mile Loop off Whale Creek has been opened up for skiing.
 - e. NFLUAC – no report available
 - f. Fire Chief -Lynn Ogle reminded all to get burn permits on line, and that now is a great time to start cleaning chimneys
7. Old Business
 - a. Report from Ceiling Committee -John Stone shared that 2 ceiling fans will be installed by the Weidmans
 - b. Pest Control and mitigation efforts -John Stone and Kevin Ulrichsen removed the ridge cap and found the location of the pest infiltration, they installed wire mesh and steel wool to block entry and they replaced the ridge cap. Kevin added additional roof crews and caulked where needed. Kevin also hung bat houses around the property to encourage them to find a new home.
 - c. Building stain/oil and repair of chinking/caulking Kevin Ulrichsen chinked the spots in need, Andrew Burton stained all of the outside logs of the Hall.
8. New Business
 - a. Propane Heater for the Hall -Jim Rittenburg explained the need for additional heating for the winter activities, and shared that we are discussing the possibility of installing a direct ventilated propane heater. He asked for questions and comments: Lynn said to be sure the heater can heat the whole room, Mark suggested a larger propane tank might be needed, Bill noted there will be a need for maintenance
 - b. Community dance on June 22 at 7pm -Debo Powers reminded all to attend and that there will be a live band and voluntary donation of \$5/10 a person
9. Member Comments – Jack asked for suggestions for future meetings
10. Next Membership Meeting (Sunday July 14 at 8 pm)
11. Adjourned at 9:16

Respectfully submitted,
Beth Ulrichsen
June 9, 2023