

Laurentian Chapter of the Adirondack Mountain Club  
Executive Committee Meeting Dec 3, 2013

Meeting held at home of John Omohundro

Officers attending: Mary Jane Watson, John Omohundro, Dana Chudzinski, Bill Mueller, David Trithart, John Barron, Lila Hunnewell  
Appointed positions attending: Tom Ortmeyer, Maryanne Hebert, Carolyn Kaczka  
Guests attending: Tom Wheeler, Jeff Miller

M. Watson moved to approve agenda, B. Mueller 2nd, passed unanimously  
J. Omohundro moved to approve minutes of last meeting, B. Mueller 2nd, passed unanimously

(1) FINANCIAL YEAR END AND GRANTS

- \$2,892.17 currently in chapter checking account
- \$100.00 accounts payable in account
- ADK still holding \$750.00 in Betty Weeks fund
- \$7,802.00 in total assets for chapter
- total income for chapter for 2013 was \$6,195.00
- total expenses for chapter this 2013 was \$4,693.00
- total profit for chapter for 2013 was \$1,401.00
- overall profit/loss similar to last years
- discussed possibly donating some funds to ADK Winter Fest
- determined better use for donated fund to go to ADK general fund
- L. Hunnewell moved to donate \$100.00 to Friend Of Higley, B. Mueller 2nd, passed unanimously
- J. Omohundro moved to donate \$1,250.00 to ADK. D. Trithart 2nd, passed unanimously
- discussed the fact that ADK still holds \$750.00 in name of Betty Weeks
- was determined the chapter was to send ADK \$500.00 and inform ADK to add Betty Weeks fund to amount for grand total of \$1,250.00
- chapter then will set up a bank account with the amount of \$750.00 as the Betty Weeks Memorial Fund

(2) PREAPPROVAL OF CAMP COLBY SPONSORSHIP FOR 1014 BUDGET

- discussed that DEC requires funds for camp prior to registration of campers
- funds are dues 3rd week in January
- discussed only funds need to be in at that time, not personal information on campers
- J. Omohundro moved to send funds to DEC, D. Trithart 2nd, passed unanimously
- J. Omohundro moved to at necessary funds for 2015 camp to 2014 budget, D. Trithart 2nd, passed unanimously

(3) APPOINTED POSITIONS FOR 2014

- J. Barron appointed publicity position by consensus
- request to make EAP Chapter Mentor an appointed position passed by consensus
- appointing J. Barron into the mentor position passed by consensus
- T. Ortmeyer agreed to run the chapters photo contest
- discussed if the chapter should add the position of Alternate Director to chapter
- determined more information on ADK requirements for the position is needed at this point
- J. Omohundro moved to appoint Filishia Neahr as chapter representative to the Friends Of Mt. Arab
- discussed need for a person to be in charge of chapter merchandise

(4) UPDATE TO THE WAIVER FORM

- chapter has reduced the number of form download on their website to three(3)
- liability release form has been moved to of list of forms
- all forms are in PDF form at this time
- discussed need of wording in the release for to cover use of photos

#### (5)ATV LAW IN TOWN OF COLTON

- discussed fact the town of Colton will be rescinding their ATV law in the town of South Colton
- an article 78 lawsuit was filed which argued the town law giving ATVs permission to run in the town as well as a section of state highway was unlawful
- after suit was filed the St.Lawrance Chamber of Commerce supported the position of the town
- the chamber has since recognized the fact that the town has rescinded its law
- discussed the fact that if the county had not done so they would have opened their county wide trail system up to debate
- discussed that the ADK may be interested in the facts of the case and details should be shared with ADK Conservation
- since the rescinding of the law the town of Pierrpont,Colton,and Parishville has requested Brookfield Power to open their penstock road up to ATV traffic
- St Lawrence Chamber has sent Brookfield a letter in support of such a request
- Brookfield has made it clear ,at this point,that such as request is denied
- discussed that all facts in the matter may lead to ATV groups wanting the Lenney Road open to ATV traffic

#### (6) POT LUCK SPEAKER

- ideas for speaker are welcome at this point
- name of Mike and Debbie White was suggested to discuss their ski trip to South America
- April 13th is the proposed date for the potluck

#### ROUND TABLE

L.Hunnewell

- good mix of new members

T.Wheeler

- no report

M.Watson

- \$400.00 in post office account
- still looking for chapter rep for the County Trails Committee

T.Ortmeyer

- need volunteer to open Lodge on new years day
- J.Omohundro volunteered

M Hebert

- 55 Facebook friends
- 10 to 15 views per post

C.Kaczka

- no report

J.Omohundro

- letter being drafted to county legislature in give views on the County Wide Trails Committee
- letter to be signed by individuals and not by the chapter itself
- letter asked for meeting with county legislators
- Stone Valley Co-Op Recreational Area meeting was held and are near to a draft of the agreement
- public meeting on agreement will be in January

J.Miller

- good mix of speakers lined up the outdoors/indoors program
- speakers include J.Omohundro,C.Kaczka,and L.Hunnewell
- also scheduled is a talk from representative for the Nature Up North group

D.Chudzinski

- no report

B.Mueller

- 7 spring outing scheduled to date

D.Trithart

- need committee reports for Northwind
- would like photos from the photo contest for Northwind

J.Barron

- no report

Next meeting at home of L.Hunnewell on Feb 4th