

**Friends of Glacial Lakes State Park**  
**Regular Meeting - Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> 2011**  
**Starbuck Airport**  
**6:30 pm**

**Members present:** Audrey Amundson, Corbin Corson, John Kirchof, Jim Mason, Stacy Salvevold, Lauren Sansness, Amy Schnoes, Vic Vathauer and Bill Wisniewski

**Meeting Opened:** Meeting was opened by President Lauren

**Letters:** Baukol – Thanks for the Memorial Tree for David, Goldman, Deschene from NowThen, MN thanking us for having the Candle-lit trails and Parks and Trails – invitation to their annual meeting ( no takers)

**Secretary Minutes:** Review and approve Meeting of 1/4/11 – Vic made the motion to accept the minutes and Stacy seconded that motion. All members present agreed

**Treasurer's Report:** Review and approve – Vic Reported that we have a balance of 3024.27 in the checking account. Corbin made the motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and John seconded that motion. All members present agreed.

**Old Business:**

1 – Park Candle Light Cross Country Ski Run – Saturday, February 19<sup>th</sup> – Was reviewed

A, Volunteer Hours were reviewed and check off with Master sheet – Thanks to you all for the great effort. This event was awesome thanks to you.

B. Suggestions for next year were:

1. Clean out shelter
2. Have a “snow dance” prior to the event (just kidding)
3. Reorder better candles for the next event. Present candles were about 70% used.
4. Suggested that we have more posters
5. It suggested having more fire wood available (about 4 bundles)
6. It was suggested that we have baked goods at the next event as well as cookies
7. The shelter could use 1 or 2 more lanterns
8. Beg, borrow or buy 2 “Jiffy Biffy Lites”.

If there are any other suggestions that could be added please let me know and I will add them to this list for future reference

2 – Volunteer Vest Purchase - need number to purchase

A. It was agreed to purchase 10 cloth vests in the color of orange blaze these would be used to ID volunteers at future events

3. Update on the purchase of land near the park

A. We were informed that **Nature Conservancy in Minnesota** was not interested in the land west of the park but were interested in the land east of the park and were pursuing that as a possible area for expansion.

#### 4. "Pod-Cast" development

It was brought to our attention that the Division of Parks and Trails was in the process of developing a "Pod-Cast" for the parks and trails in our area. These would be narratives by individuals (like Vic Vathauer) who know the area and would explain the history or the geological significance a particular area or site. Vic mentioned that Steve Nestor was doing something along the same lines.

#### **New Business:**

##### **1 – 2011 parade line up - need volunteers**

Parade list was circulated for volunteers – at present we have 12 parades we could be in this summer to promote the park and we only have 4 confirmed drivers. If you want to help contact Corbin – 239-2601

##### **2 – Easter Egg Hunt – Review last years minutes on hunt make plans for this year**

A. Amy mentioned that the DNR would have Naturalists Booth in the parking lot to show a variety of wild life eggs to the crowd as they wait for the signal to start the egg hunt

B. Who Does What Handout was reviewed

1. it was decided to have the hunt start at 2:00 pm Saturday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>
2. Volunteers would have lunch in the park at 11:00 am and then hide eggs
3. It was decided to order 2000 more eggs and fill them with candy at our next meeting
4. Publicity was outlined and some areas were assigned
5. Number of volunteers was discussed and it was determined that we would need 12 to 15 people
6. We will continue with the 3 divisions as last year but after some discussion it was decided to rename the pre-schoolers to ages toddlers to 5 years old

##### **3 – Annual Permit Day –**

A. Hand out was presented and it was decided to follow the same pattern as last year. The Friends will offer three State Park Gift Certificates to those who purchase their permits on Permit Day.

B. Park Permit Day will be Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> from 12 to 2 pm

##### **4 – State Wide Park Open House -**

A. Hand out was presented and it was decided to stay with the same format as last year.

B. Open house will be Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup>. The Friends group will help the park celebrate this event by providing lunch and sponsoring events to enhance the park experience

C. Tentatively the Friends will be helping in the park from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

#### **Other Items**

A. Amy mentioned that there may be a Fall candle-lit hike to the peak. Suggested by the Naturalist.

#### Meeting adjournment

Having no other business to bring to this meeting Vic called for adjournment, Stacy seconded and all agreed