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NFLA BUSINESS MEETING -- SEPTEMBER 6, 2014

Meeting was called to order by President, Karen McDonough at 8:03 p.m.

Board members present: Karen McDonough, Donna Harrison, Bonny Ogle, Allen Chrisman, Alan McNeil, Carol Dolan-Groebe, and Paul Marotz. Absent: Debo Powers.

In the absence of Debo Powers, Carol Dolan-Groebe read the August Business Meeting minutes and a motion was made by Randy Kenyon and seconded by Dennis Groebe to approve the minutes as read. Motion to accept was unanimous.

Bonny Ogle gave the Treasurer's report. It was stated that the reserve fund for Hall maintenance would be kept as close as possible to \$10,000.00. Also noted was the fact that the North Fork Patrol would again contribute half of the Fall Newsletter costs in exchange for having their enrollment letter included. There were no questions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Maintenance -- Paul Marotz noted that he had repaired the damage that occurred when a vehicle backed into the railing. Paul stated that he and Lee Seecrest would be surveying the flicker damage and plans for the ramp/deck/cover on the back porch. They would also be oiling the south side of the building. Paul asked for volunteers on September 19th for the actual building/repairing of the new ramp. Those interested should come at 9 a.m. and bring a lunch and lots of water.

Floor -- Alan McNeil reported that Dennis Groebe had done the research on the kitchen floor and the most cost-effective method of doing an upgrade would be sanding and painting. Dennis stated that he and any other willing volunteers would do the work beginning on Sunday the 7th of Sept. and going through Wednesday the 10th. He will also take care of the "X" fireproof boarding in the back of the building so the fireplace can be returned to its proper place.

Fire Mitigation -- Allen Chrisman reported that Molly Shepherd says there is still grant money available to property owners' for fire mitigation. Anyone interested should contact either himself or Molly or Bill Swore.

History -- In Debo's absence, Karen McDonough reported that she would be interviewing Kay Rosengrin either this fall or next spring. She also hopes to interview Karen Feather.

Social -- Carol Dolan-Groebe noted that the Northfork activities were winding down. She was reminded, however, about the Square Dance on September 13th at 8 p.m. at the Hall. The dance will be called by Debo.

Trails -- Bill Walker stated that Trail numbers 13 and 3 are currently being worked on by the Trail Committee. The next meeting will be held at the Walkers' on September 10th at 6 p.m. and will be a potluck followed by the meeting. He will make a presentation to gain RAC funds for the work on Trail 3.

Website – Patti Hart just asked everyone to continue sending comments and pictures for her to post. Karen McDonough reported that Paul Genovese donated the new sign for the hall after reading the minutes posted by Patti on-line. Also he read at a later date that the Red Cross would not come to the Hall for a CPR/1st Aid class. His wife is certified and will to come up this fall or next summer and conduct such a class. Karen noted this generosity came through because of the NFLA web page thanks to Patti.

Weed – Val was not present to make a report, but Patti noted that the first hard frost would be arriving this Thursday and after that frost was the best time to herbicide your weeds.

Other Reports:

Fire Chief – Lynn Ogle reported NO FIRES ON THE NORTHFORK! However, the season will not close until October 1st. No burning until then and be sure to have your burn permit. He thanked everyone for their diligence in watching and reporting and all fire possibilities.

North Fork Patrol – Mark Heaphy was not present to make a report, but Lynn stated that we should all be on alert for any suspicious activity or behavior we see in our area. Be sure to report it and not confront anyone by yourself.

Old Business:

Cookbooks – Donna Harrison reported that three cookbooks had been sold at the Bear Fair and that sales would be slow at this time of year. Lynn asked how many books had been sold and Donna reported an estimate of 50 – 75 sold to date.

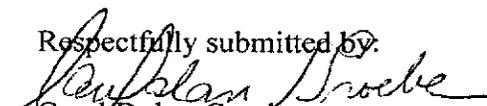
New Business:

Allen Chrisman reported that the Annual Meeting of the Montana Tree Farmers would be held at the Hall on Saturday, October 11th. The members will visit his and the Hoilands' tree farms. If you are not a member, you would be welcome to attend and be served lunch for cost of \$25 per person. Meeting and lunch followed by an Awards Ceremony.

President McDonough announced that Kip Stratton with the Border Patrol will be having an Open House at the Border Station on September 15th at 6 p.m. He has issued an invitation to all North Fork residents. Coffee will be served and several residents will bring dessert. Kip believes that we are the Border Patrol's first line of defense and would like to get to know everyone.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:



Carol Dolan-Groebe,

On behalf of Past-President Debo Powers