MAY 2024 SUSQUEHANNOCK TRAIL CLUB MINUTES

The May 2024 meeting was held Saturday the 11th at The Pennsylvania Lumber Museum. Members enjoyed a dish-to-pass lunch followed by a business meeting. There were 29 members in attendance and one guest for a total of 30 in attendance: Wanda Shirk, John Zimmer, Lois Morey, Bill Boyd, Lori Szymanik, Larry Holtzapple, Ron Heath, Doug Wetherbee, Al Seitzinger, Bob Hayes, Wayne Baumann, Daniel E. Holmes, June Caldwell, Henry Fuller, Alice Buchanan, Jayne Fitzgerald, John Halter, Jan Halter, David C. Hajzus, Dwina Hajzus, Joe Allis, Barb Allis, Paul Fedalen, Pat Childs, Susie Gribble, Helen Bernhardy, Roxanne McMillan, Dave McMillan, Charlie Kern, Nate Confer, guest: Cyril Quatrone

President Wanda Shirk called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm with the reading of the April 2024 meeting minutes by Lori Szymanik. John Zimmer made a motion to accept the minutes. Pat Childs seconded the motion. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT by Steve Erway:

A treasurer's report was presented.

TRAILS REPORT by Bill Boyd:

The total trail work hours for April are 198 hours by 30 volunteers. The total for the year, so far, is 669 hours.

New shelters are in the works. One will be built at Cherry Springs. Additionally, the block building at Cherry Springs Fire Tower has been approved to be converted into a trail shelter. The Lumber Museum has donated lumber for the Cherry Springs Shelter.

NEW MEMBERS by Lois Morey:

- Willis Sumer, Coudersport, PA
- Josh and Michelle Ahn-Doettger, Coudersport, PA

CIRCUIT HIKER REPORT by Lori Szymanik:

- 1311 Christy Millek
- 1312 Cyril Quatrone

OLD BUSINESS:

- Pat Childs talked about planning hiking outings. She will develop an email list of people interested in hiking or leading. Notice of a week or so will be given for upcoming hikes. Hikes will be posted on the trail club's Facebook page and website. Hikes may be for leisure or for maintenance. Contact Pat if you are interested in being added to the email list or if you are interested in leading a hike.
- All went well at the Maple Fest table last weekend. Merchandise totaling \$40 was sold. Additionally, a \$20 membership was purchased.

NEW BUSINESS:

- There was a discussion on communications. Dave McMillan reported stats on cost of newsletters. Membership dues only cover the cost of newsletter printing at this point. Our last newsletter cost over \$500 to print. Postage and printing prices have increased. Some suggestions to save money included decreasing the newsletter frequency, making the newsletter less pages, or converting to digital newsletters. Dave will head communications committee to discuss what to do about increased cost. Dave will contact after his vacation.
- June 1st is the God's Country Marathon. We will be volunteering at the water station at mile 19.
- Henry Fuller reported that the Duke MOA of the Maryland Air National Guard has been scrapped. Warthog aircraft are being retired but there has also been a lot of pressure from the public against the MOA.

• Election report. There were 93 ballots. Results:

President—Wanda Shirk Vice President— John Zimmer Treasurer— Steve Erway Corresponding Secretary—Lois Morey Recording Secretary— Lori Szymanik Advisory Board Member— Curt Weinhold, Larry Holtzapple, Chad Rugh, Jan Halter, Dave McMillan

• Meeting adjourned at 2:06 pm. Trail maintainers meeting with Bill following meeting to discuss maintenance and future shelter building.

The next meeting will be held at the Pennsylvania Lumber Museum on Saturday, June 8, 2024.

Meeting minutes taken and submitted by Lori Szymanik