Friends of Whitefish Dunes, Inc. Minutes (Meeting and Holiday Potluck) December 5, 2019

Board Members Present: Susan Cubar, Rich Dirks, Don Gustafson, Jim Perry, Carl Scholz, John Swanson, Lynn Zawojski

DNR Present: Erin Brown Stender, Erin Dembski

Also present: E. Matson, D. Otopalik, J. Gustafson, D. Swanson, S. Dirks, D. Story, M. Martin, D.

& M. Goodner, R. Scholz, D. Weidman

President Lynn Zawojski called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

- Agenda: was approved with some additions. (Moved: Gustafson; Second: Cubar; accepted)
- 2. <u>Minutes from the October 17</u> meeting: (Moved: Cubar; Second: Dirks; accepted as distributed).
- 3. <u>Treasurer's Report for October</u>: (Moved: Cubar; Second: Gustafson; accepted as distributed). Susan also passed around a sheet that listed the major expenditures from November as the Nov. Treasurer's report was not ready.

4. Park Report:

- Lights for the candlelight: Dembski reported that rental was \$100/day, but the transportation costs were \$200 each way to/from Green Bay. We need to decide in January.
- New Park Manager: Brown Stender reported that the new park manager is SARAH STEPANIK and she will begin in December.
- 1st Beach Access Repair: Brown Stender reported that the project for repairing the 1st beach access (which was submitted by Nick Hefter last year) has been approved. More damage has occurred since then.
- 2020 Park Stickers are now on sale.

5. Trail Report by Swanson and Dirks

- 2nd beach access and Old Baldy have been closed now that the trails have been groomed. Signs are going up. Trails are in pretty good shape except for the green trail across WD, which is mostly under water. A temporary closure of this part of the ski trail will be posted
- The Snapshot Wisconsin camera is mounted near the creek and the WD parking area. J. Swanson monitors.

6. Old Business

- 2020 events calendar: approved with a few changes (Moved: Gustafson; Second: Swanson; accepted)
- Website: Cubar conveyed the request from C. Birringer to meet w/the Exec. Board in Dec. She'll contact him for a date & time.

• Winter Candlelight: We need to figure out lighting – will we pick up the lights to save \$\$? Work with the new park Manager Sarah Stepanik. There is a new route for the hike/snowshoe that does not cross Schauer Rd.

7. New Business

- Naturalist: Cubar passed around a sheet that detailed costs for 2020. Brown
 Stender described the duties of the naturalist and answered questions. Dirks:
 "The need didn't go away just because the position went away."
- New Board Members: Motion to establish a search committee to find new board members by Gustafson. Second by Swanson. Accepted. M. Goodner suggested the board look at our membership list and tap a few folks on that list. Cubar will send the current member list to board members. Dirks will coordinate this effort.
- Water bottles: Motion to stop selling water in bottles when our current supply runs out. Cubar. Second by Gustafson. Approved.
- Sevastopol Annual Meeting: Scholz reaffirmed the need to ask the town for money for the naturalist at its annual meeting scheduled for April 21, 2020.

8. Adjournment

 The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m. Moved by Gustafson and second by Dirks.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Cubar Substituting for secretary Adele Douglass