

10/6 Board Meeting

Board approved minutes from Board Retreat

Visitors:

Marley Smith – Replacing Mary Lois at the City as Parks Operations Manager

Connie from Halcyon joining us again. New Board Member

Brief Business:

Oct. 26- Taza Coffee having James River Park Day

Fairy Shrimp Video entered in New York film contest

Belle Island Video

\$448 from Tubes and Taps – Thanks Nancy!

Apps Update:

James River App- temperature and river conditions – our website is advertised approximately every 10th ad

Outdoorsy App- we will put on facebook and website and consider creating a profile to invite users to our events

Agenda:

Zip Lines across Belle Isle- Board takes “NO” position

Election of Board Members:

Nominating Committee Formed to Create a Slate of Officers:

Elaine

Myrna

Betsy

Adrienne

Idea of Vice President serving as VP for one year then moving up into President role.

Board Positions:

President

VP

Secretary

Treasurer

Notice that Board Positions are OPEN and that Officer Elections are coming up.

Tracey Brockwell Book debut- Nature ID book in the river. She has offered all book proceeds to the Board.

Venture Richmond Amphitheater v. Towpath Issue
Opportunity for us to push for more/improved parking

Dog Forum

Molly update- forum in July, good turn out, passionate arguments on both sides. Next step is to go to City with recommendation. – Difference b/t dog park and park that allows dogs. How to elicit responsibility by dog owners. There is a Report that could be distributed to attendees and Members. Summary of the Forum and Vicky's Scientific Data Analysis that may need a summary, which shows that most people ok with dogs

Content for Newsletter

Need to encourage more members to write blurbs for the newsletter

Park Security

No update on statistics from City – Nathan

Police caught perp who caused outbreak of car break-ins

Officer Stacy has basically been pulled from the park – patrolling maybe twice a week.

Salamander Pond Progress

Finalizing installation of sluice gate

Ralph on Board with the Drinking Fountain idea

Nathan moving forward

In Memory of Greg Hoff(?)

Awaiting access to new volunteer software management, which has been paid for (~\$197).

Warren's Agenda

Trail Monitors to help get a better idea of usage

Nathan has a few sensors and the software for it already, could just

Concession Fee for vendors benefitting off park use

Scenic Road sign missing from Riverside Drive. – Tom Flynn Traffic Engineering is contact for this sign

Sign that says Chesterfield County Straight Ahead- Part of Bike Route

Potential to Paint utility box at Reedy's Creek

New Maps Forthcoming

Service Bridge to Belle Isle has been repaired

Fire on Belle Isle

\$7,155 revenue from License Plates!

Synching timing of Membership Renewal and Annual Giving Letter.

Fundraising Ideas

VIP Bus Tour of the Park

Action Items:

Advertise Taza Coffee James River Park Day on Facebook and in newsletter.

Add Tracey Brockwell book to the website.

Warren to write letter to Venture Richmond to encourage improved and increased parking lot at Belle Isle

Karen to write blurb for newsletter about crime in park and ongoing efforts of Park Staff

Nancy and Warren working together on Corporate Fundraising

Email out APPROVED board minutes from retreat

Email out DRAFT minutes from this meeting

Email Elaine a blurb on the APPS IN THE PARK

Review Warren's list of ideas and come up with your own priority list for next meeting