

**MINUTES OF SCHEDULED BOARD OF
DIRECTORS MEETING OF THE
LOWER MOUNTAIN FORK RIVER FOUNDATION**

October 3, 2015

5:00 PM

**Stevens Gap Pavilion
Beavers Bend State Park
Broken Bow, OK 74728**

Board Members Present:

**Tom Atwood, Treasurer
Jim Kelly, Membership
Martin Weaver, Secretary
Chris Schatte
Mike Love**

Advisor Board Members Present:

**Eddie Brister
Rob Woodruff**

Members Present:

**Vickie Weaver
Joni Schatte
Sue Vanek
Frank Vanek
Evan Vanek
Keith Korte
Kalder Korte
Grant Holec
Tom Bullock
Brenda Bullock
Kevin Lavender
Peter Breeden
Roberta Brister
Jenny Mayrell Woodruff
Linda King**

Guests Present:

**Mike Carter, Park Ranger
Bruce Shirey, Park Ranger
Danny Black, Park Ranger
Frank Griffith, Park Naturalist
Chris Murdock**

Dinner was served at 5:00 PM

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 PM by Treasurer Tom Atwood.

A copy of the minutes for the June meeting was distributed to all via email and approval was obtained online.

Tom Atwood gave a financial report. Waiting for Tom's input to fill in this information

Membership Report: Jim Kelly reported that we currently have 145 paid members, an increase from 2014's total of 94. Some of the new membership activity could be from the flood interest and the efforts of President Pat Waters's efforts to keep the Foundations web site up to date on the rivers status. We had over 8000 hits on the web site in the last 3 months.

Frank Griffith, Park Naturalist, discussed:

- Repairs on aquarium tank are being made. Found out from help of the aquarium personnel at Jenks that the water in the tank was not being properly prepared for the trout. Frank is getting the necessary chemical mix ready and the personnel from Jenks will be coming down to help setup the aquarium and install trout. Work should be completed within the next 1 to 2 months.**

Mike Carter, Park Ranger, discussed:

- The GPS markings on the trout stream completion are waiting for the park construction to be completed.**
- Mike stated the radios donated by the foundation are working great.**
- The state has hired a new Park Ranger (Andrew Patter) who will give the park 3 full time rangers and a total of six during busy seasons.**

- The state is waiting for FEMA monies to start the necessary cleanup in the spillway creek area. Estimates of cost includes the repair or replacement of the cold hole road bridge and the lower walking bridge. The parking lot below the dam will also be repaired.
- Mike noted a lot more injuries are being reported because of the rock conditions along spillway creek.

No area Game Warden was in attendance to offer a report.

No representative from ODWC was available so Tom Atwood brought us up to date on pending projects and activities provided by Don Groom:

- The evening and cold hole stockings are continuing. Six additional truckloads of trout where received over the summer months because of the state of the water at the Lower Illinois River.
- A new stocking road and tube has been prepared and is awaiting approval behind the park administration building.
- ODWC is working with Wyoming to trade brown trout for bluegill stocking. Expecting the get the brown trout from WY in October.
- It appears other state and federal agencies are now showing interest in the Lower Mountain Fork River since the flood.

Tom Atwood then reviewed pending LMFRF activities and projects:

- David Dillow was not present but Tom stated that the Vibret box stocking of eggs is still planned for the 3rd week of November.
- Mystery Fly Contest is scheduled for February 27th, 2016.

New Business

- Our 2016 members meeting will be February 27th, June 25th and October 8th.
- New Board Members. We will have two openings. Jim Kelly will contact Phil O'Bryant and Chris Horsley to see if they are interested in serving. Motion made by Tom to contact the two individuals and upon acceptance will be approved by board. Seconded by Jim.
- Motion was made to retain the current slate of officers for 2016 made by Jim Kelly and seconded by Mike Love. Passed.

Board of Directors expiration dates:

Jim Kelly	2015
Mark Lewis	2016
Lew Duckwall	2016
Bill Leinberger	2016
David Dillow	2016
Pat Waters	2017
Martin Weaver	2017
Tom Atwood	2017
Mike Love	2018
Mike Emerson	2018
Chris Schatte	2018

Treasurer Tom Atwood adjourned the meeting at 6:18 PM.