TIDEWATER APPALACHIAN TRAIL CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Monthly Meeting December 6, 2023

Members Present:

Bill Bunch, Bruce Davidson, Andy Grayson, Paul Heymann, Ned Kuhns, Lee Lohman, Kama Mitchell, Jim Newman, Peg Seriani, Jim Sexton, John Sima, Lelia Vann

Members Absent:

Rosanne Cary, Brittany Collins, Kevin Dubois, Andy Grayson, Greg Hodges, Jim Newman, Don Williams

Others Present: Greg Reck, Rich Seriani

- 1. Welcome and Call to Order: The meeting, with a quorum, was called to order by President Lohman at 7:00 p.m.
- 2. Proceedings of Previous Meeting: The November 2023 Board meeting minutes were accepted without amendment.
- **3. Finance**: Cecil Salyer provided the Treasurer's report. Current balance is \$39,291.13.
- 4. Membership: Sharon Salyer provided the Membership report. Current membership is 415 members.
- 5. Reported/Discussed:
 - Open Action Items provided. -Lelia Vann
 - Cabin Operations report provided. -Lee Lohman for Greg Hodges
 - January 12, 2024, Boundary Survey discussed. -Lee Lohman
 - Cabin boundary discussed. Good documentation needed of cabin boundaries. -Andy Grayson/Lee Lohman
 - Local trail maintenance events reported. -Paul Heymann
 - Upcoming Outreach Events reported. Upcoming VB Wildlife Festival in January. -Lee Lohman for John Barnes
 - Holiday Party volunteers needed. -Sharon Salyer
 - Tree planting at Cedar Commons reported. -Jim Newman
 - FY23 objectives reviewed and FY24 assumptions/objectives discussed. -Lee Lohman
 - Selection of Board members and others for the Health and Safety committee to determine best practices discussed. -Lee Lohman
 - Appoint ad hoc committee under Trail Maintenance Supervisor to draft policies and procedures bringing TATC into compliance with its USFS agreement discussed. -Lee Lohman/John Sima
 - Reporting volunteered hours discussed and will be handled as part of the ad hoc Awards Committee with Jim Sexton (chair), Lelia Vann, Jim Newman, and Bill Bunch. Lelia will continue collecting volunteer hours for Board members as needed.
 - Conduit for Dept. of Corrections to provide a bear box to USFS at Sherando discussed. Board approved this purchase after TATC receives the bear box payment. -Lee Lohman
 - TATC Asset Inventory discussed. Lee will establish a date to conduct the initial inventory and solicit volunteers to assist. -Lee Lohman
 - Shifting Board meetings to a hybrid meeting discussed. Lee will write a proposal for decision. -Lee Lohman
- **6. Proposal:** Lee Lohman proposed the appointment of ad hoc committee to revive the TATC awards program. The committee members are Jim Sexton (chair), Jim Newman, Bill Bunch, and Lelia Vann. This proposal was approved with amendment to consider hours worked on Federal and non-Federal property, AT, etc. and modifying sign-up roster forms to capture the data that different organizations require such as demographics, etc.

Adjournment: President Lohman adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.