

**Lake Roland Nature Council  
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes  
May 1, 2019**

Attendees: Kurt Davis, Elise Butler, Jeffrey Budnitz, Peter Lev, Ranger Jonathan Wood

President Kurt Davis opened the meeting at 5:30 pm.

EC minutes from April 2019 were approved.

**Treasurers' Report:** Jeffrey Budnitz provided the following figures:

\*\*\*Current Assets are \$66,678.03

\*\*\*Fixed Assets total \$374,564.63

\*\*\*Total Assets are \$441,242.66

\*\*\*Current Liabilities are \$149,484.00

\*\*\*Net Asset Value \$291,758.66

**Recreation and Parks Staff Report:** Ranger Jonathan Wood gave the following report:

\*\*\*Naturalists working inside the Nature Center are being cross-trained so they understand what rangers do outside the Nature Center.

\*\*\*Baltimore County policy on third parties holding a fee-charging event in the park is—not allowed unless a fee paid to the park is agreed on in advance. EC members talked about what would be a reasonable fee for Bikes & Beer.

\*\*\*The park may be closed on Tuesday, 5/7 from 11 to 12 because of a required meeting of all Recreation and Parks employees at the Ag. Center.

\*\*\*Native plant sale scheduled for Saturday 5/4. A canoe trip is scheduled for Sunday 5/5.

\*\*\*A pied-bald deer is being seen in the park. Jonathan showed us a picture.

\*\*\*The SPCA asked about holding a wine and dogs event at the park. EC decided to say “No” to this very large, alcohol-serving event.

**Membership:** We have 195 paid members. Kurt’s letter to Paw Point members—encouraging them to become park members—went out as an email.

**Serpentine Design Framework:** Roger Latham and his team were at Bare Hills Barrens on March 25 to mark monitoring points for a botanical survey. Elise Butler, Kay McConnell and Kimberly Warren stopped by at the end of Roger’s work day and took photos and videos. Roger gave an impromptu lecture.

**Landscape Design Framework:** Jacques from Century Engineering used wooden stakes to mark the middle of the proposed path behind the Nature Center. LRNC and GGC volunteers will replace these with more permanent metal stakes on Weds. May 8.

**Insect Study:**

\*\*\*Peter gave an overview of plans for the lepidoptera study. The first date is May 9, evening (for moths). EC discussed Jim Young’s request for a class visit on Aug. 11, day, and a National Moth Week event on July 26 or 27, night. For Aug. 11 we will require that all visitors sign a waiver of liability, but otherwise this seems OK. The EC had several concerns about the proposed night event.

\*\*\*The group discussed how to notify neighbors and local businesses about the insect study. Jonathan will email Sunnyfields for permission to cross their parking lot to access the Orange Trail. Jonathan will have Colleen make laminated parking passes. Jeffrey will contact Vanguard Development so cars can park in the lot just south of Sunnyfields.

Minutes prepared by Peter Lev.