

Friends of Rathdrum Mountain - Meeting Summary for 01/18/2007

Purpose: Regular monthly meeting of the Friends of Rathdrum Mountain and of the Board of Directors

Attendees:

- Directors: Wes DuCharme, George Holcomb, Carey Kaplan, Toby Kaplan, Jim Ochenkoski, Deasa Stein, John Sylte
- Director absentees: None
- Others: Pete Stoltz

Agenda:

1. Guest speaker: Brett Boyer, Rathdrum City Administrator

Brett responded to questions from the group regarding current City activities related to Rathdrum Mountain. He provided updates on the City's Park Plan, his staff's progress in examining several access issues, and his willingness to address weed control as may be proposed by the Friends group. He encouraged the group to work closely with him on these and any other Rathdrum Mountain issues so that he might provide support and also keep City Council informed.

2. Old business:

a. Jim reported that FoRM provided an aerial photo of Rathdrum Mountain with an outline of the City's property superimposed. This was requested by Parks & Recreation Director Lance Bridges for inclusion in the City's Park Plan. A copy of this photo and map is posted on the FoRM website. The Park Plan should be available for review on 01/22/07 and public comments will be heard during the regular City Council meeting on 02/13/07.

b. No updates on the Frantz conservation easement.

c. Toby provided an update on Noxious Weed activities.

- Contact was made with U of I to determine if they have any interest in participating in weed monitoring and/or control. Their participation depends on university funding. Toby will continue to pursue this action.
- A potential workshop with City Council regarding the nature of the weed problem and potential corrective actions will be postponed until a more definitive need is identified.
- A more extensive survey of the City's property on Rathdrum Mountain will be scheduled in the Spring, 2007.
- Following the Spring survey, a weed control plan will be developed and presented to the City.
- Local groups (Boy Scouts, School groups, Sheriff's Work Program) will be solicited to effect weed control measures once a plan is developed.

- d. Toby is still checking on the availability of Charles McDevitt from the Idaho Foundation for Parks & Lands to conduct a workshop regarding conservation easements, etc.
- e. An exclusive event for FoRM members and supporters will be scheduled for the Spring. This event will be held on the Mountain, either on the City's property, the IDL/IEP properties, or both. The purpose will be to increase awareness of and interest in conservation efforts. Scheduling will be coordinated with Brett Boyer.
- f. The article regarding Rathdrum Mountain access issues that appeared in The Rathdrum Star on 12/20/06 is posted on the FoRM website.

3. New business: None.

4. Board of Directors:

- a. The meeting summary from 11/16/06 was approved by vote in favor 7, opposed 0.
- b. Treasurer's report:

Checking Account

Beginning Balance		\$660.81
Debits	0	
Credits	0	
Ending Balance		\$660.81

NICSC 501c3 Account

Beginning Balance		\$1200.00
Debits	0	
Credits	\$1200.00	<i>Private Donation</i>
Ending Balance		\$2400.00

- c. Additional donations were reported (\$30 to checking, \$40 to NICSC) and will be reflected in next month's report.
- d. An expenditure of \$69.95 for the purchase of an aerial photo of Rathdrum Mountain (electronic file) was approved by vote in favor 7, opposed 0. This file was used to provide a map to the City (item 2.a above) and will be used for creating poster-size displays.
- e. FoRM's annual report to the Idaho Secretary of State was submitted on 11/22/06; a copy is attached.
- f. A copy of the Badger Mountain 501c3 application that was requested from the IRS remains outstanding. Toby & Carey will update FoRM's application. A review by Board members is scheduled for 02/11/07. All Board members have an action to gather newspaper articles they may have saved and provide them to Toby & Carey for submission with our application

g. Carey provided information regarding promotional magnets. She will provide various design concepts and cost estimates at our next meeting.

h. Various ideas for a FoRM float for the Rathdrum Days parade were discussed. John will continue to pursue this project.

i. Tentative plans are being made for several Board members to attend the NW Land Trust Conference scheduled to be held in Missoula, MT on May 17-19, 2007.

j. A review of Long Term Goals and Action Items will continue at the next Board meeting.

k. Jim will contact the National Wild Turkey Federation to determine their level of interest in the Rathdrum Mountain area.

5. Next meetings:

Regular monthly meeting: Thursday, February 15th at 6:30 pm in the Community Center at Golden Spike Estates. Guest Speaker: TBD



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