

MINUTES OF TRACKS GENERAL MEETING
August 10, 2019 At Woodland Lake Park in Pinetop, AZ 85935

Meeting was called to order by Jim Snitzer at 8:20 AM. Approximately 23 people were in attendance. Guests, Josh Good, Bob and Kevin Gahagan were introduced.

Minutes of the last meeting were reviewed. Motion by Jerry Good to approve as presented, seconded by Joan Patrick, was passed unanimously by members present.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Jerry Good thanked the Trail Crew for their hard work. There was a good turnout last Monday, August 5. The Crew will meet next Monday at Woodland Lake at 7:30 AM to continue work on Turkey Track.
2. Arlene Nelson spoke about the coming Fall Festival's theme which is Great American heroes. Arlene brought up the name of John Muir. She will pass out a sign up sheet for volunteers to participate. Arlene also brought TRACKS' newest t-shirts, long and short sleeves, for \$20 each and hoodies for \$40. Caps are being made as well as patches with the TRACKS logo. Patches can go on caps or other apparel.
3. Tim Strand gave additional information on John Muir.
4. Jim announced that Tom O'Halleran, our Democratic representative will be at Pinetop-Lakeside City Hall today at 10:00 AM. TRACKS remains non-political.
5. Jim also spoke about the upcoming special election for voters to approve or disapprove of an increase in taxes of 1/3 of one cent to cover services provided by Navajo County which are many and quite diverse.
6. Jim announced that the Town's recycling program has been working out with many citizens bringing their recyclables.
7. Jim also said that the purchase of 107 acres of Woodland Lake Park has not happened yet. A potential donor has not come forward, as hoped.
8. Jim also said that the Nature Center has bee pollination displays today and August 17 will be on fly fishing education. August 31 is the Wildlife Festival with presentations by Wildlife World Zoo from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM with a \$1 fee. There will be arts and crafts as well.
9. The Nature Center's fund raiser is September 14 at Honda Conference Center.
10. Today is the Sheriff's Posse BBQ fund raiser
11. Pinetop-Lakeside Day will be August 17
12. Jim added that a location for Bob Pena's bench has not been located. Jack Barker's Park has space for memorial bricks at \$100 each, which is another option.
13. TRACKS approved the wording for the interpretive sign at Game and Fish headquarters and it will be placed soon.
14. Jim told members that Kathy Purvis will assist Tim Strand in producing the Newsletter since he is now employed full time. Also, Kevin Gahagan will help with the TRACKS website.
15. Jim spoke briefly of the Tour of the White Mountains Bike Race. Volunteers are still needed and can contact Nick Lund if interested.

16. Jim also stated that a fund raiser at Unity Church was advertised as partnered with TRACKS, which was incorrect.
 17. The Fire Wise event that was held at Blue Ridge Elementary School was poorly attended in spite of good presentations, display tables and excellent movies. TRACKS will continue to support the fire department in educating the public. If your home is not approved as fire safe, your homeowners insurance will be affected, if not dropped.
 18. Joan Patrick announced that Audubon members and non-members can meet at Game and Fish at 7:00 AM to carpool to Williams Creek National Fish Hatchery on the Apache Reservation.
 19. Next General Meeting will be at Woodland Lake Park on September 14 at 8:00 AM, a potluck.
- Joan Patrick led a walk around the lake following the meeting,
Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 AM

Submitted by Kay Alderton, Secretary/Board Member