



FFV Winter Meeting 12/1/2018
Minutes by: Ginnie Peck

President: Rock Willoughby called the meeting to order & thanked the Slate River Partners for use of the property.

- Rock asked if there are more brochures available for membership to hand out. Bryan Jones asked if we could produce more brochures. Bill Tanger stated that the art work for the brochures is available. He is happy to e-mail the information to anyone that sends him an e-mail request. He will also send brochures, in the mail, to Rock and anyone else that requests them.

Secretary: Ginnie Peck apologized for being late with the minutes. They were sent out via e-mail this past week and will be posted on the FFV Webpage. ***Ginnie Peck made motion that the minutes be accepted as posted in the e-mail and on the Webpage. Rick Mattox seconded the motion. No discussion followed. The motion was passed unanimously.***

Ginnie Peck will be stepping down as FFV Secretary. A replacement is needed to take over beginning Memorial Weekend.

Treasurer Report: Ginnie Peck has handed all Treasury information over to Bryan Jones. There is not a formal Treasurer's Report, at this time. Bryan will meet with Tony Adams and be formally added to the FFV Account at BB&T. Previous Treasurers will be removed from the list. We have informally decided that there should be 3-4 people on the account, for security reasons. Bryan will also set up an online account, with BB&T, to more easily keep up with transactions.

Web Master Report: Traci Martin was unable to attend the meeting. Please send all requests, for Webpage posts, to Traci Martin : traci.martin1970@gmail.com Please allow 2-3 days for posts.



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Newsletter Editor: Vera Houghton was unable to attend. There have been issues with people not getting the newsletter electronically & via US Mail.

Ginnie Peck has recommended that the electronic Newsletter be sent to the Membership from the FFV Business Google account. The e-mail contact list has been updated. The most current Membership List is housed on the FFV Business Google Account. All US Mail Recipients are listed on the far right hand column of the Membership List and are updated 3-4 times yearly.

There are also compatibility issues when sending group e-mails from Verizon.net & Comcast.net accounts. If the e-mails are sent from the business account, the Membership Chair can weed out e-mails that bounce back and contact the Chapter Treasurer's to update the affected member's information.

Membership Chair: Scott McEwen reported 134 currently paid members for 2018. There may be a few changes & updates coming in. 1-2 of the Chapter Treasurers are making updates and will send the info to Scott.

Conservation Chair: Bill Tanger

A. Boat Registration

DGIF had legislation do a study to determine how much money would be made from passing legislation to force all boats, to include, non-motorized water crafts, to register. The study showed it would cost more money for administration than they would make collecting registration fees.

There is a need for a money source. Hunting is down by 26%, fishing is up by 3%. There is not as much money coming in.



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FORVA put together a bill that took 2% tax from hunting & fishing equipment which made DGIF over \$10 Million in revenue.

Basically DGIF is in need of a new source of income from all “stake holders”. DGIF really just needs to make cut backs.

Bill Tanger made a motion for FFV to write a letter to DGIF in regards to this issue and looking into changing the process or a new process. Ginnie Peck seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion was passed.

Bill will draft a letter and send it out to the membership for review, re-write, and send to DGIF. All information will be included.

B. Balcony Falls

1. VDOT Preliminary Entrance Study is for entrance and trail with tunnel down to the river. They have requested to meet with VDOT in the next few weeks.

2. A letter was received from the town of Glasgow to decrease speed limit on Route 501 to 45 MPH from 55 MPH. Letters of support have been received from Amherst & Rockbridge counties.

C. Pigg River - The river is still not boatable due to hurricane rain and runoff. Significant debris and strainers are blocking the river.

D. Bill passed around brochures from the James River Trail & the Roanoke BlueWay. Both projects were created to increase area awareness, outdoor activities, and education. There are nature trails for hiking & biking. There are also access points for fishing and boating. Check out the information online at by looking up James River Trails and Park Systems. Also RoanokeRiverBlueway.org

E. Otter River Project – A potential piece of property to purchase with 2 acres and an ideal access point. A float trip is being arranged for May with the Roanoke Valley Chapter. More information to follow after communications with property owner and the trip in May.



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2019 Schedule of Events

Douthat Weekend: 4/5/19 – 4/7/19

Location: Douthat State Park

Contact Rick Mattox for information.

Dickel Spring Fling: 4/12/19 – 4/14/19

Location: Peck Place on the Rockfish

Contact Ginnie Peck for information.

R5 Cajun Weekend: 4/26/19 – 4/28/19

This is a ticket event: \$30 per person

Contact Ed Galloway for tickets: ewgalloway@verizon.net

Memorial Weekend: 5/24/19 – 5/27/19

Meeting on Sunday at 9:00am at the campsite.

Location: Smith River in Henry County

A scouting trip will be arranged for this Spring. A final determination will be made to use this location.

Backup plan: Slate River Property

River tax: \$5 per person or \$10 per family.

Porta Johns:

Rick Mattox made a motion that the budget for Porta Johns be \$500. Rock Willoughby 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

Porta John arrangements to be made by Bryan Jones

2019 Schedule of Events Cont'd



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if camping in Henry County. Ginnie Peck will make arrangements if camping at Slate River Property.

Slate River mowing fee: \$75

Labor Day weekend: 8/30/19 – 9/2/19

Meeting on Sunday at 9:00am at the campsite.

Location: Solitude on the James River.

River tax: \$5 per person or \$10 per family.

Porta Johns: To be arranged by Bill Tanger with a \$400 budget.

Dickel Bash – To Be Determined

Winter Meeting: Saturday 12/7/19

Location: Slate River Property

Meeting Starts at 11:00am

Fruit Cake Float– January 1, 2020

Contact Konrad Zeller

Details TBD

Other Major Events: Bateau Festival

6/14/19 – 6/21/19

Can find information at James River Bateau Festival site online

Meeting Adjourned: *Ginnie Peck made a motion the meeting be adjourned. Rick Mattox 2nd the motion. Motion passed.*

Special Consideration AFTER the meeting was adjourned: Donations to outside organizations

FORVA

American White Water

American Rivers

A motion was made by Bill Tanger to approve the above donations for \$100 each. Ginnie Peck 2nd the motion. No discussion followed. Motion passed.