

Black Forest Trails Assoc. BOD Mtg.
Jan. 21, 2009

The meeting was called to order by Greg Reals at 7:05 pm. County Parks representatives Jerry Westling, Maintenance Division Manager, and Bill Campbell, Northern Division Supervisor, attended for the Black Forest Regional Park signage discussion. Mark Maloney gave a presentation on the proposed signage for the Black Forest Regional Park. He stated that the map needs to be updated before signs are done. Judy Von Ahlefeldt stated that all land in Cathedral Pines subdivision identified for future addition to Black Forest Regional Park is open to the public now. Trails are built and operated by the Cathedral Pines Metro District. We also had a discussion of BFRP and possible changes to the trails. Hank Hoover moved that BFTA adopt the active use areas of the Park. Judi seconded the motion. Passed. Paul Douglass volunteered to find the original trail map. The County Parks staff members and Mark Maloney then left.

The board reviewed the minutes of the Sept. 3 and Oct. 22, 2008 minutes. It was pointed out that the office of President is still vacant.

The Treasurer's report was presented. Greg said that the signs for the Forest Gate Trail were our major recent expense. Greg said that membership renewals will go out soon.

Cheryl brought up the issue of representatives needed to sit on both the BFRP and Pineries planning committees. Since Juel is ill, she also suggested we get someone to take over his position on the Parks Dept. Planning Board. We need to request a replacement from Tim Wolken. This will require a letter. Nancy, Greg and Hank will put it together.

Regarding development issues, we discussed Pineries, Black Forest Reserve and Hawver Ponds. Judy Von Ahlefeldt suggested we send a letter to the Planning Board and get the Fire Department's position on the paving of the road in the Hawver Ponds area.

The next newsletter was discussed. Issues we need to include are Juel's health, what we accomplished in 2008, what we hope to accomplish in 2009, possibly columns on "did you know" facts about local trails and a request for e-mail addresses and changes to be put on membership renewal forms.

Cheryl volunteered to assume the vacant Vice President for Administration position. This leaves only the position of President unfilled.

Other business: We need someone to take over turning in to the County Assessor the list of people who have trails on their property— they are eligible for tax credits. Paul will call Lisa Dorr about doing this. Judi will send a card to Juel and Irene.

We also discussed trail workdays. The next Board meeting will be March 12.

Judi Tobias, Secretary