

Twin Rivers Paddle Club
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CRAVEN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICES
406 Craven Street, New Bern, NC

MEETING MINUTES

April 10, 2018

7:00pm: President Katy Langley welcomed all and called the meeting to order; 18 members were in attendance.

President: Katy thanked Mary and Teri and Randy for helping at Kids River Fest

Treasurer: Ellie was absent from April's meeting and will report in May

Secretary: Corinne reported that the February and March minutes had been sent out; Bill Sadler motioned to accept minutes, Cal Hansen seconded, without acception motion carried.

Craven County Parks and Recreation: Mark Seymour reported that CCPR has the biggest class ever for the beginners class – 13 are registered, and they will need lots of helpers. The wellness committee offers a kayak outing to County employees, this year's event will be Wednesday May 9th at Creekside Park. 5:30pm – they will also need help with that.

Old Business

Thom Wilson Memorial paddle is awaiting funding approval. Carolyn suggested having a hot dog dinner, and has spoken with Dawgs for catering. It would be \$109 for dogs and fixins for 40 people. Larry Summers made a motion for an allocation of \$250 for the event, Bill Sadler seconded, and the motion carried. The Memorial Paddle will be 7/29/2018.

Past Paddles

Rescue Class had 7 participants – the group was shorthanded on assistants in the water; in the future they will need more volunteers, and more boats. Bill Sadler moved that TRPC donate \$100 to New Bern YMCA for the use of the pool. Larry seconded and the motion carried.

Mar 31 – Carolyn did a pick up paddle – the weather was not accurate, it was cold and choppy.

April 7 – Slocum Creek Paddle cancelled due to weather

Upper Broad Creek paddle – TBA due to conditions

New Business

Martin Marietta Park Update – Cal Hansen has been advocating for a nice sandy beach launch in the new park with access to the Neuse. There are two places that might make sense for a launch. No time schedule yet on park construction, but estimated to begin in a year.

Upcoming Paddles:

4-11 - Gator Watch Paddle - Jake (may reschedule)

4-15 – Easy Peasy Piddle Paddle – Carolyn – 10am

4-21 – New Bern Clean Sweep - 9:30am, meet at picnic shelter #1 Lawson Creek park

Capital to Capital Paddle – Bill and Larry – returning to New Bern on 4-21 hit the middle school at 9am, Weyerhauser at 10am Glenburnie park 11:30am. Anyone wants to join in is welcome.

May 1 - Coffee Paddles return

May 5 – Swift Creek paddle, Jake Jacobsen

Safety and Training – Terry Rich

The month's training focused on prevention of skin cancer.

Prevention includes broad spectrum sunscreen:

- Use a "shot glass" amount to cover your exposed skin

- Use SPR 30 or higher

- Reapply every two hours even on cloudy days

- Spray sunscreen must still be rubbed in

Prevention also includes protecting clothing such as SPF shirts, etc, wide-brimmed hat and sunglasses

It is important to remember the back of your neck, where you get so much sun when you paddle.

Avoid the sun between 10am – 2pm if possible, and if you are out take extra precaution during those hours

Avoid tanning beds

Half skirts and spray skirts for kayaks are helpful to shade your legs

Other Business

Bill Hines mentioned that the campsites have been improved at Bear Island, added picnic tables, etc.

Meeting Adjourned 7:56pm

Corinne Everett Belch, Secretary