Twin Rivers Paddle Club



CRAVEN COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION

1821 Old Airport Road, New Bern, N.C. 28562

MEETING MINUTES November 9, 2021

President: President **Randy Siler** opened the meeting at the offices of the County Parks and Recreation Department near Creekside Park at 6:06 p.m. with eight members attending.

He was asked about the discussed merger with the Outdoor Adventure Club. He said that discussion seems to have died out.

Randy brought materials for Mark Krcmar who had offered to store some pamphlets and distribute some trail maps to local businesses that sell kayaks and standup paddle boards.

Vice President: Mark Krcmar questioned the need for monthly meetings in person. Discussion noted that the agenda is essentially the same each month and that much business could be done online. Randy noted that meetings often have information and/or safety presentations. Discussion noted such presentations could be on video and posted on the club web site or Facebook site. Chris Worsinger said the County has communication staff with video capabilities. Mike Murrie also has a video production background and equipment. Discussion also noted that quarterly meeting would require changing the club bylaws. Discussion noted that other adjustments and updates should be made to the bylaws. Randy will develop specific recommendations and proposed changes in the bylaws, circulate them for comment, and schedule them for a vote in January.

Treasurer: Mary Traina was not present but prepared a report indicating a balance of \$4358 with no activity the past month.

Secretary: Nothing new to report.

Communications: Nothing new to report.

Craven County Parks and Recreation: Chris Worsinger said there was a meeting with the contractor working for the Parks and Recreation Department on renovation of the dock at Creekside Park that is leading to some adjustments more favorable to kayak users. He showed the installation of two floating docks. One will have disabled access and an adjoining jet ski launch. He would like to see kayak launch added. Other floating dock is U-shaped with a kayak launch.

The County is acquiring another 170 acres of property on Brice Creek off Old Airport Road for a wildlife park that could kayak launch spots.

Old Business:

Officers:

Randy said there were no new volunteers to serve as officers. Existing officers willing to continue in positions for the coming year.

New Business:

Upcoming paddles and events:

- Nov. 11 Pickup Paddle at Glenbernie Park lead by Carolyn Borgert.
- Mark Krcmar volunteered to host the Christmas social gathering and planning meeting for 2022 December 4 at 5 p.m. a change from the year's preliminary schedule. It would be catered by Moores at his home at 1902 Park Ave.

Terry Rich presented suggestions for winter maintenance for gear and clothing from superiorkayaking.com.

The meeting adjourned 7:15 p.m.

Michael Murrie, Secretary

NEXT MEETING: Christmas social, planning for 2022, 5 p.m. Saturday, December 4, 1902 Park Ave., the home of Mark Krcmar.

January meeting, 6 p.m. Jan. 11 at the offices of the Craven County Parks and Recreation Department, 1821 Old Airport Road, New Bern, NC. A vote on changes in the bylaws is expected.