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Meeting Minutes May 12, 2022
Lamplighter Restaurant, Delmont

Meeting Attendees:

- a. Board: (14) Robert Cronauer, Alyssa Davis, Tom Dittman, Elizabeth Ferri, Rick Fisher, Brandon Lacina, Jack Maher, Monica Meehan, Mary Grace Muster, Bill O'Hara, Stan Rudge, Vicki Rudge, Malcolm Sias, and Ann Wade
 - b. Absent Board: (7) Gordon Conn, Wendy Davis, Chad Emahizer, Kerry Jobe, Pat Norton, Chris Panichella, and AnnaMarie Stackiewicz
 - c. Guests: Jeff Richards, Jerry Detar, Joseph Hlista, Dolores O'Hara, Jerry Babcock, Christopher Begeman, Barbara Coulter, Jim Coulter
1. President Stan Rudge led the recitation of "The Pledge of Allegiance" and then called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.
 2. Presidents' Comment – A moment of silence for the passing of long time trail advocate Rey Peduzzi was taken. WHT also sent a flower arrangement to the family.
 3. Public Input/Introductions – Lifetime member Justina Latimer and 10-year members Barb & Jim Coulter introduced themselves.
 4. Approval of Minutes –
 - a. A motion was made to approve the April minutes by Sias, 2nd by Wade, motion carried, minutes approved.
 5. Treasurer's Report –Chris Panichella
 - a. Maher reported on behalf of Panichella. To date, we have \$53,733.47 in the Money Market account, \$30,325.21 in the checking account, and \$60,000.00 invested for a total of \$144,058.68 in current assets. We have \$16,392.49 in fixed assets making our total assets \$160,451.17.
 - b. Our total revenue for 2022 is \$28,294.50. Total expenses were \$22,658.36 for a net revenue of \$5,672.01.
 - c. Maher noticed that the \$9,918.00 expense of trail construction was listed incorrectly and was not actually an expense. This will be corrected for May's treasurer's report.
 - d. A motion was made to approve the April treasurer's report by Muster, 2nd by Meehan, motion carried, report approved.
 6. Committee Reports –
 - a. Membership – Gordon Conn
 - i. President Rudge reported that Conn has resigned at the Monroeville representative and membership chairman. Conn will continue to carry out the membership chairman duties until the end of 2022 and train the new chairperson. A huge thanks to Conn for his years of commitment to the trail! President Rudge sent a letter to the mayor of Monroeville and Paul Estok asking for a new nomination. Jeff Richards reported that he spoke to Estok, and Estok is willing to serve as interim Monroeville rep. until a permanent one is selected.
 - ii. WHT is now accepting someone to step up as the new membership chairperson. If you are interested, please reach out to President Rudge.
 - b. Engineering and Construction – Jeff Richards
 - i. We are still awaiting on award announcements for the DCNR maintenance grant that was submitted for the eastern part of the WHT.
 - ii. The Murrysville Planning Commission accepted a plan for a new Dollar General near Rte 66. Coordination will be needed between all parties involved as this will determine future tunnel decisions for the WHT Middle Gap connection. The next Murrysville public hearing is on June 14th.

- iii. Heather Shearer is requesting to hold another Ted Hayes Memorial event on August 20 from Slickville to Saltsburg, 10AM-3PM, approx. 100-125 participants. This would be like last year's event in coordination with the WHT.
 - 1. A motion to approve the event on August 20 was made by Sias, 2nd by Cronauer, motion carried, event approved.
 - b. Wrap-up of Trailblazers membership program
 - i. A big WHT THANK YOU goes out to the Trailblazers for all their hard work in putting together this program. Bri presented a brief summary of the program to those in attendance. They raised \$1,200 to get the program up and running! President Rudge explained how this was a learning process for everyone, and he hopes to continue to move it forward after WHT takes the program over!
 - c. Select WHT Mission & Vision Statements-tabled until June meeting
 - d. Parking Concession at Festival
 - i. Sias encouraged everyone to sign up if available!
 - e. Mary Grace Muster resignation
 - i. Muster has resigned from her position as Loyalhanna rep. to the trail. A new rep. has already been selected by Loyalhanna – Geri Lombardo – who was in attendance this evening. A big thanks to her for all of the time and effort she has committed to the trail in the past years!
9. Next month's meeting will take place at Pedora Park in Export.

On a motion by Wade, 2nd by Meehan, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Alyssa Davis, Secretary