

SENATOR FRANK L. MADLA, JR. NATURAL AREA  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES

Date of Meeting: April 28, 2013  
Type of Meeting: Board of Directors Meeting  
Place of Meeting: Grey Forest City Hall  
Time of Meeting: 6:00 PM.

- ❖ Meeting Called to Order - 6:10 by Frank Madla
  - ❖ Recording of Board Members Present – Frank Madla, Ron Green, Susan Beavin, Storms Duthie, Don Darst, Jennifer Nottingham and Kyle Cunningham
  - ❖ Declaration of a Quorum - *Yes*
  - ❖ Secretary's Report – March Minutes approved as read
  - ❖ Financial Report – \$31,000 – Hill Country Fence not paid approximately \$500
  - ❖ Sub-Committee Status: All activities since the last Board Meeting
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- \* Safety/Security – Chief Rutledge has ordered battery operated cameras (\$60). Don will look into the pricing and type of camera used at the new sculpture garden in Boerne.
  - \* Biological Management – Malta Thistle is being eradicated. Cowbirds are being dispatched.
  - \* Historical – Susan Beavin – no report
  - \* Fundraising – Dr. Frank Madla– \$8,563 in account. Roger Solar wants to do a run for a fundraiser, costs \$1500. He will donate a bike rack to be put near the pavilion. Rules will cover no bikes on trails
  - \* Earth Science – Ron Green No Report
  - \* Trails Committee – Jen Nottingham GPS Blazes if possible, not necessary since trails are short. No other parks are doing this. Kyle will talk to Frank about it but for now will just do the basics.
  - \* Landscape Committee – Storms Duthie contacted the Hendersons – they will do a site study they fall for installation of the butterfly garden. There will be two workdays set for removal of the sunflower infestation – two Saturday mornings May 11 and 18 from 8am-10am. Storms will put signage up at the gate for the work day schedule.

Discuss and take action (if necessary) on the following topics:

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1. Old Business:
  - a. Discuss and finalize any outstanding issues related to the opening of the Madla Natural Area  
See notes under Sub Committee Status
  
2. New Business:
  - a. Discuss and act on Maintenance items for Natural Area including Rules and Signage, Landscape Maintenance – seasonal and weekly, Responsibility – City of Grey Forest or Volunteers  
Discussion of Impending Needs –  
Picnic Tables (metal version, check with Ranel on obtaining 2 tables and 2 benches (Don).  
Water Catchment – Storms will check into this and report at next meeting  
Electrical – Jen will talk with Ron Reinhard / GFU regarding running the electric.  
Signage for Trails and Park Rules – Susan showed various signage and rules at other Natural Areas. Signs could include Map, History, Educational, Rules – each would be a separate sign. Note: Each rule is enforced with a city ordinance. Ron Green will get estimates on signage for the next meeting. We would need 2 signs posting the rules. One would be posted toward the front and one at the Pavilion.  
Jen will pursue need for ordinance for rules with the City Attorney, etc.

Susan will put rules out to board for discussion

Rodney Madla will handle signs. Frank will notify Jen when the holes are ready to be dug for trail signs.

Water Catchment – Storms will look into this and report to the board.

Trail Committee will put plywood on the historical building windows

Committee on Hill – Susan, Ron, Don, Kyle, Storms and Frank. Will look for older pictures from citizens that have lived there (Tita Bowman)

Paper Handout – Trail map will be the most important, will start with the map first and add then later add the rules, etc. Storms will get a plastic box for the handouts.

The promised of a replacement for the portalet did not happen by the time of this meeting, Don will follow up with the company.

Adjournment – 7:50pm