

**MINUTES OF SCHEDULED BOARD OF
DIRECTORS MEETING OF THE
LOWER MOUNTAIN FORK RIVER FOUNDATION**

June 25, 2011

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Broken Bow Public Library

Broken Bow, Oklahoma

Board Members Present

Pat Waters, President

Tom Atwood, Treasurer

Ken Cantrell, Secretary

Jim Kelly, Membership

Eric Jackson, Information Technology

Teri Pearce

Mike Love

Bill Leinberger

Advisor Board Members Present:

Sid Ingram

Rob Woodruff

Jesse King

Members Present:

Garrison Leinberger

Donny Carter

Linda Carter

Linda King

Jenny Mayrell

Julie Skinner

Guest Speakers and Officials:

Buck Ray, ODWC

Danny Black, Park Ranger

Mike Carter, Park Ranger

- Pat Waters opened the meeting asking for a motion to approve the minutes from the February 26, 2011 Board meeting. The motion was made by Tom Atwood, seconded by Mike Love and approved without dissent.

- Tom Atwood gave the Treasurer's Report with various figures of income by different sources expenses and total profit for the year. We have total accounts valued at \$135,856.49.

- Jim Kelly gave the Membership Report – see attached.
- Danny Black, Park Ranger, reported that the “repeater” transmitter nearly got installed last week. However, the wrong size mounting brackets were purchased resulting in a delay. Correct brackets have been ordered and the installers will be rescheduled.
- Ranger Mike Carter reported the Nature Center plans are complete, but the first bid came in way over budget. The project is on hold until more bids have been received. Mike also mentioned the rash of auto break-ins in the parking lots where fishermen park. Most incidents have occurred between 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and were “smash and grab”. It is possible that the responsible parties have been apprehended.
- Bill Leinberger asked about the missing trash cans; it’s not clear where they are or when they will be back in their designated locations.
- Buck Ray Environmental Biologist for ODWC informed us that the money is now available for the clean-out of the re-reg dam drains. Next fall will most likely be the best time for the project during a period when Southwest Power will want to reduce generation flow for regular maintenance of the dam. Pat will keep us informed. Buck also discussed plans to install wader washing stations to prevent the spread of aquatic invasives. It is not clear when these will be in place.
- Jesse King asked Buck to recommend that the Oklahoma Fishing Guide (available to the average outdoorsman where licenses are purchased) be more specific regarding the definitions of an artificial fly or lure, as opposed to bait. Buck acknowledged this flaw and plans are being made to amend the next printing of the Guide.
- Pat asked Buck to request ODWC to make red and blue zones regulations more clear. We all agreed to recommend to ODWC to make the areas strictly catch and release or catch and keep a specific number and kind of fish. Also, we recommend making clear the use of a single barbless hook per lure or fly to avoid the use of treble hooks on lures.
- Pat discussed that it is not financially feasible to restart rearing pen operation as opposed to buying larger fish to stock in the red zones. The problem is the increased cost of larger fish. Jesse asked Buck if we could get federal money for more fish to mitigate the losses from the catastrophic river floods. Buck said he would look into it.
- Sid Ingram discussed a possible danger area around a log weir on Spillway Creek. The Rangers said they would look into it.
- Linda King gave the Kid Fish Report which was very successful again this year. We gave \$3,000.00 for stocking of about 600 pounds of trout in Nancy and Gary Horton’s pond this spring.
- Teri Pearce reported that Frank Griffin, Park Naturalist, has not contacted her asking for funds to help defray travel and food costs for the Boy Scout Troops to help with litter clean-up around

the river and Beavers bend State Park. It will likely be this fall before Boy Scouts will be making trips to the park.

- Pat reported the 55th Annual Oklahoma Forestry and Youth Wildlife Camp was completed in early June. About 15 campers fished each of 2 days. We agreed to help again next year with casting lessons during a cooler part of the day.
- Pat discussed vibert box installations. Tony Kirk will not be available to oversee the project this year. Our last vibert box eggs were contaminated with cutthroat trout virus and we were not able to put them in the river. If we find out that our trout have already been exposed to this microbe, it will not make any difference to plant eggs with cutthroat virus. We need another Board Member to take over this project.
- Eric Jackson discussed the redesign of our existing logo. Via motion from Mike Love and seconded by Tom Atwood, the Board approved allowing Eric to digitalize and freshen-up the LMFRF logo.
- Pat made the announcement that we could have a booth at the Wildlife Expo in Guthrie, Oklahoma on September 24-25, 2011 at no charge if we had manpower to set it up and run it.
- **Next Board Meeting, October 15, 2011. Location will be Stevens Gap Pavilion with a fish fry.**
- A motion was made by Jim Kelly, seconded by Mike Love and passed without dissent to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Cantrell
Secretary LMFRF

LMFRF MEMBERSHIP REPORT / 06-22-11

TOTAL MEMBERS OF RECORD (PAID A YEAR'S DUES IN LAST FIVE YEARS)	273	
LIFETIME MEMBERS	26	THIS IS A GAIN OF 4 SINCE ONE YEAR AGO
PAID 2011 DUES	59	THIS IS DOWN 13 DESPITE HAVING 29 NEW MEMBERS SINCE ONE YEAR AGO
PAID 2011 MEMBERS	85	THIS IS 9 LESS THAN THIS TIME LAST YEAR
PAID 2009 DUES + LIFETIME MEMBERS	102	
PAID 2010 DUES + LIFETIME MEMBERS	111	