

**TIDEWATER APPALACHIAN TRAIL CLUB**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Monthly Meeting  
October 7, 2020  
(via Zoom due to Covid-19)

**Members Present:**

Dave Altman, Douglas Cary, Rosanne Cary, Steve Clayton, Mark Ferguson, Patrick Hayes, Greg Hodges, Ned Kuhns, Lee Lohman, Ellis Malabad, Phyllis Neumann, Jim Newman, Kari Pincus, Dave Plum, Rosemary Plum, Nalin Ratnayake, Sharon Salyer, Jim Sexton

**Members Absent:**

Bob Adkisson, Bill Lynn, Kama Mitchell, Suzanne Moss, Tony Phelps, Juliet Stephenson, Nathan Terault, Mark Van Zandt

1. **Welcome and Call to Order:** The President determined the presence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Proceedings of Previous Meeting:** Upon a motion by Ned Kuhns and a second by Mark Ferguson, the Board approved the minutes of the September Board meeting.
3. **Finance Report:** Douglas Cary presented the Treasurer's report.
4. **President's Report:** Rosanne Cary covered the following: for 2021, we have a high number of vacancies on the Board. A Nominating Committee chair and committee members still need to be identified to present a slate of officers by the December member meeting. So far, members have expressed willingness to be nominated as follows:
  - President – Lee Lohman
  - VP – Dave Altman
  - Treasurer – Cecil Salyer
  - Trail Supervisor – Brittany Gonzales
  - Assistant Trail Supervisor – John Sima
  - Counselor – Bruce Davidson

Additionally, Nalin Ratnayake agreed to be appointed for the Land Management position.

**5. Chair's Reports:**

- ATC Rep – Ned Kuhns reported the virtual Volunteer Leadership Academy is focusing on "JEDI": Justice, Equality, Diversity and Inclusion;

Ned and Jim Newman will attend the VA Regional Partnership Committee meeting on Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>;

- Trail Supervisor – Jim Neumann has organized a group of 18 members for Fall trail maintenance on Oct. 16-18. Covid-19 requirements will be met. Work will be primarily at Maupin Field to install new fire rings and tent pads, as well as on White Rock Falls trail to remove a downed tree.

A misting machine from the USFS will be used to sanitize the privy. If possible, on Sunday morning, a crew will work on the Harpers Creek shelter.

In addition to the \$1,137 grant from ATC, three other expenditures are necessary for the Maupin Field work:

- Approximately \$100 to complete purchase of the fire rings;
- Approximately \$700 for rock chips for the tent pads;
- Approximately \$200 for quikcrete, sand and stakes for the fire rings

Ned will determine if an additional ATC grant is available to cover these expenses. If not, on a motion by Dave Plum and a second by Ned Kuhns, the Board voted to approve these three expenditures to complete the work at Maupin Field.

- Membership - Sharon Salyer reported sending 6 new member packets. There are currently approximately 435 members in the club.
- Education – Lee Lohman is researching an appropriate place to archive presentations. He is also planning an educational event for October on cold weather camping and for November on navigation (dates TBD).
- Outreach – Rosemary Plum reported that TATC meeting notices are now being published in the Virginian Pilot.

6. **Adjournment** - The President adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.