

**Annual Meeting, June 14, 2015
The Friends of the Little Miami State Park
Morrow, Ohio**

Present: Steve Murphy, Aaron Rourke, Don Mills, Mike Dresch, Roger West, Paul Morgan, Bruce Cortright, and Maxine Fischer.

Absent: None

Secretary's Report: (Maxine Fischer)

A motion was made by Aaron and seconded by Don to approve the Minutes as presented. All approved.

Treasurer' Report: Mike Dresch
Total Assets as of 5/31/2015 was \$65,054.55

Steve Murphy: Presidents report and recognition of some very special people.

Recognizing of our Founder: Simeon Copple

After several bad accidents on the trail in 2008, Simeon was able to organize a meeting of a few concerned trail users, thus the beginning of The Friends of the Little Miami State Park.

Bill and Kathy Schroeder were also recognized for their service as Trail Adopters since 2012.

Forward Action Report:

At the 4/19/15 meeting Aaron Rourke recommended that a layer of management be added between Segment Adopters and Adopt-a-Trail Coordinator. The following members have agreed to be Section Managers.

- North Roger West**
- Mid-North Rich Easterly**
- Mid-South Paul Morgan**
- South Don Mills**

Elections:

The following Board members were up for re-election,

**Aaron Rourke
Maxine Fischer**

Maxine Fischer agreed to stay on as Secretary until someone agrees to take the job.

Don made a motion to re-elect Aaron Rourke and Maxine Fischer and seconded by Paul, all approved.

Paul made a motion to elect Rich Easterly to the Board, seconded by Aaron. All approved.

Don made a motion to elect Don Hahn and Janet Slater to the Board, Maxine seconded the motion, all approved.

Rest and Information Centers:

Loveland: We have a \$5000 donation to build this center in Niesbet Park, but no one has volunteered for the job.

Milford: Chris Robinson is in the process of raising \$5000 to pay for materials for this project.

Reforestation:

Rick Forrester has taken on re-forestation on the trail. He purchased seedlings in the April and is growing them in containers until fall when they go dormant. He will be asking for volunteers to help plant them when the time is right.

Morrow caches:

Don Mills made a motion to renew our lease of the cache in Morrow at a cost of \$700 per year. Aaron seconded the motion. All approved.

Monarch Butterfly:

Don announced that we have located a space south of Wards Corner where can plant milkweed for the Monarch project.

Trail Counters:

Paul Morgan updated us on the trail counter showing a steady increase in amount of traffic on the trail.

Trail Signs:

Last fall Judy Mills ask hundreds trail users their option as to the color of the safety signs. They were deciding between yellow or green. The survey showed yellow would be noticed much more.

ODNR has decided to use green. They will provide the signs.