

**Timber Hill Restoration Coalition
Meeting Minutes
January 8, 2007**

Call to Order: The meeting of the THRC was called to order on January 8, 2007, at 3:35 PM by Kris Roselle. The meeting was held at the Timber Hill Reservable Area in Wagon Wheel Lodge.

Attendance: Julie Dalzell - A, John Lawson - P, Christine Maticic - A, Patti McDonald - P, David Robertson - P, Kristine Roselle - P, Jacki Uhler - P, Jason Boerger - P

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the November 13, 2006 meeting of the THRC Board of Director's were reviewed and a motion to accept was made by John Lawson and seconded by David Robertson.

Volunteer Hours: No new volunteer log sheets were submitted.

Financial Report: Kris Roselle distributed the Income Expense Report for 2006 to the Board. The balance in the checking account is \$207.38, enough to file the 501(c)(3).

501(c)(3): The Board discussed the Narrative Description. David Robertson suggested using headings and making a few minor changes in wording. John Lawson moved to accept the Narrative Description with the discussed changes. Jacki Uhler seconded the motion. David will make the corrections and email copies to the Board.

David will email Jacki a copy of the State of Ohio Certificate of Incorporation and the memo on State of Ohio Registrations.

The Board discussed the Public Charity Status section in Part X, page 10. Jacki and David will research who should write the opinion for this section.

We need to attach a description of each fundraising program for Part VIII, section 4a, on page 6.

We do not accept contributions of real property, so the answer is no for section 11 in Part VIII, page 7.

Jacki and David will discuss whether we should fill out Section II of Schedule H, page 25, dealing with Private foundations vs. Public charities.

The Board will read through the 501(c)(3) application before the next meeting and send any questions or changes to Jacki.

Jason Boerger announced that the park board voted to purchase software to upgrade their website to be able to sell merchandise. The THRC Board decided that this should be added to the Narrative Description, that THRC will use MetroParks website.

Jacki asked whether we can solicit donations before we are approved as a 501(c)(3) organization. David said yes, but the donations are not tax deductible until the application is sent in. The donations are deductible while the application is pending unless it is rejected.

Kris asked if we should disclose the water line project in the application. David said no, the cost is so high that we will not be attempting the project in the near future.

David and Jacki will meet to go over the details of the application.

Shower House Estimate: John Lawson announced that Will Arledge of Emerald Concepts will give an estimate for converting the Administration Building to a bath house.

Kris Roselle mentioned that Mark Koeninger did an outstanding job on the water line estimate. Also that Cardinal Concrete Construction was very prompt and thorough on the estimate for removing the latrines. She recommends using them if possible with volunteers cleaning up the debris after the latrine removal.

Metroparks Update: Jason Boerger stated that most of the youth projects were on hold.

Members of Girl Scout troop 4296 will meet with Jason to discuss their plans for a Gold Award project to be completed at Timber Hill.

The MetroParks staff is repairing the lodge bathroom.

The walking trail from Rentschler Forest to Timber Hill is now complete.

Jason inquired about the Ohio Department of Transportation installing signs for Timber Hill on Route 4. He needs to know more information about the usage of the property for the ODOT application. If the number of visitors is large enough, then the sign could be free. But MetroParks may have to pay for the sign. We have no legal right to install a sign on Route 4.

Jason is researching prices for wall tents to fit the platforms in Hill N Dale. So far he has only found hunter tents. Patti McDonald will ask what source Great Rivers Girl Scout Council uses to purchase wall tents and send the info to Jason.

MetroParks is spending about \$1100.00 on repairing the bathroom in the lodge. The bunks could cost around \$3000.00.

Spring Plant Sale: Kris Roselle stated that the Master Gardeners will not hold their plant sale at Timber Hill. We may be able to use the barn on Route 4 near the entrance to Rentschler Forest Estates for our plant sale. Kris will try to get plants and soil donated. Christine Maticic's neighbor will donate plants. John Lawson moved to hold the plant sale at the end of April or early May and Patti McDonald seconded the motion.

Other Business: John Lawson moved to appoint Jacki Uhler as treasurer of the THRC Board and David Robertson seconded the motion. Jacki accepted the position.

John Lawson told the Board that Jason Lawson has the preliminary design for the THRC website completed even though we have no funds available to host it now. Jason Lawson will put the THRC membership application on our website. A link to the MetroParks website for merchandising using credit cards will be developed upon Metroparks approval.

Next Meeting Date: The next meeting will be held Monday, February 12, 2007 at 3:30 PM in Wagon Wheel Lodge.

Adjournment: John Lawson moved that the meeting be adjourned and David Robertson seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Patti W. McDonald, Secretary
January 20, 2007