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distributed the first of November. Cindy and Gary Criswell offered to cover the cost of color copying for distribution to the mailing list without email addresses.

G. Ed Franco noted that he has applied for a state sales tax exemption number to be used when purchasing FOLC supplies.

H. Cheryl Pauli was unanimously elected as a member of the Board of Directors.

Next Meeting of the Board of Directors (and any interested members)

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on **Thursday, November 16, 2006 at 7:00 pm** at the home of Craig and Isabel Houston at 120 West Lake Drive.

Corrections and Additions

The above summation is our interpretation of the items discussed and the agreed decisions at the time of this meeting. Any person desiring to add to or modify these minutes is advised to submit comments in writing to the attention of the Secretary no later than five (5) days after receipt; otherwise, these minutes will remain as issued.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia E. Criswell
Secretary

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Holding additional Trail Days was discussed. It was decided to hold Trail Days the second Sunday of November and December from 9:00 AM to noon.

(The dates were subsequently changed to the second Saturdays of each month. Trail days are now scheduled for Saturday, November 11th and Saturday, December 9th.)

Work available will include building bridges where the DEP stream-crossing permits are not needed. A stone pedestal could be built in the creek for the future bridge installation. Blazes could be marked (painted) along the road and near the paved boat launch area/boat storage area.

Steve Fealtman and Gary Criswell will work together to assemble a master list of materials and plan for the Trail Days.

C. Holiday Open House

Ed and Mary Franco have offered to host a Holiday Open House for FOLC members only at their home (300 Mt. Zion Road) on December 3, 2006 from 2:00 to 7:00 PM. Light refreshments will be available as well as donated door prizes. Members will also be able to order FOLC t-shirts at a special price that day only. The Open House will be advertised in the next newsletter.

D. Winter Construction

Construction of kiosks, tables, and benches was discussed. Over the winter months, when the weather is not suitable for actual trail work, construction of these items could be accomplished. It was not determined where the construction (inside) will take place.

E. DEP Stream Crossing Permits

It has been determined by the COE that no bog turtles exist in the lake area. The COE has also determined that no wetlands exist in the trail area. FOLC still must hear from DCNR concerning the endangered plant species (no hits were found on the PNDI search). FOLC can then submit this information and an application to DEP for the stream crossing permits. Wayne DeMoss offered to hand deliver the information to DEP.

F. Newsletter

Cindy Criswell reported that the fall newsletter is approximately 75% complete. Items discussed at this meeting, including the need for additional committee members for the Fundraising and Projects/Trail Committees and the Holiday Open House, will be added to the newsletter. It should be ready to be

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The meeting, held at the YMCA men's cabin (hosted by Steve Kuhn), was called to order at 7:00 pm by Ed Franco, President.

In attendance:

Ed Franco
Mary Franco
Steve Fealtman
Hal Gardner
Cheryl Pauli
Wayne DeMoss

Steve Kuhn
Craig Houston
Cindy Criswell
Gary Criswell

Absent: Ruben Lao
John Alden (attending Chamber "meet and greet")
Craig Boyer
Jan Ruby
Karen Finkenbinder

General Discussion

A. Fundraising Committee

In the absence of Karen Finkenbinder, the Fundraising Committee had no report. It was noted that the committee needs to designate exactly what the money will be used to accomplish. FOLC will be funding Lower Frankford Township's site plan and the Township's portion of the DCNR grant. GPS data was received from DCNR to be used in preparation of the site plan.

Steve Fealtman and Karen Finkenbinder will prepare information packets to be used for fundraising. Listing target projects and dollar amounts should be included in these packets.

B. Land Partnership Grant

The Land Partnership Grant with the County has been signed and a W-9 form completed. Funds should be available within the next two weeks (approximately).