Twin Rivers Paddle Club

CRAVEN COUNTY ADMINISTRATION OFFICES 406 Craven Street, New Bern, NC

> MEETING MINUTES January 13, 2015

7:00, meeting called to order.

Officer reports:

<u>President:</u> Thom welcomed all in attendance, and gave newcomers an opportunity to introduce themselves.

Vice President: Vacant.

<u>Coordinator Report</u>: Cal Hansen, Past paddles: Randy's Christmas light paddle was cancelled due to poor weather. TRPC's New Years Day paddle was deemed successful with approximately 40 paddlers celebrating the New Year.

Additionally, Cal up dated the club on the progress of getting scheduled" paddle trip descriptions" submitted so they can be posted on the 2015 Activity Schedule.

<u>Treasurer:</u> Bill Sadler reported TRPC has a current balance of \$2420.01. 2015 membership renewal applications have been mailed and are coming in at a good pace, with 72 received to date. Note: Please submit membership renewals ASAP.

<u>Secretary:</u> Rick Tollmann stated that the meeting minutes for the December 9 meeting has been distributed and posted on TRPC's web site. A motion to accept the minutes as submitted was made, seconded and carried.

<u>Communications:</u> Chuck Kimball discussed our web site and suggested adding a link to TRPC's Facebook page, and increasing the posting of pictures.

Cal Hansen informed the club on proper use of TRPC's e-mail system and suggested increased use of the system.

<u>Craven County Recreation and Parks</u>: Mark Seymour discussed the county's continued plan to acquire money available through the Duke Energy Water Resources Fund to clear debris from county waterways. After some discussion regarding Twin River Paddle Clubs support for this initiative, Bill Sadler brought forward a motion for TRPC to adopt a letter of support for the project. The motion was seconded by Chuck Kimball and was unanimously adopted. TRPC president, Thom Wilson, signed the letter of support and forwarded to Mark Seymour.

Another topic Mark brought up was a request for TRPC volunteers to provide on water support for a Craven County Employee Paddle, scheduled for March 31 at Creekside Park.

Old Business:

Several topics of old business discussed previously.

New Business:

David Greenwald made a presentation covering two topics, "Lawn Care That Protects the Neuse" and "Becoming a Water birds Steward". Additional information on both topics will be made available on TRPC's web site.

Thom Wilson brought up the idea of continuing clubs past practice of sending new members a "Letter of Introduction". Cal suggested the letter be sent via our e-mail system. Following discussion, Bill Sadler made a motion to send, via trpcmail, a "Letter of Introduction" to new members, seconded by Chuck Kimball, motion carried.

Safety & Training

Terry Rich made a strong case for improved communication and organization before (pre-trip briefing), during (staying together and designating a "sweep") and at the end of trips (questions/comments). See Terry for additional details on this subject.

Upcoming Events and Paddles:

DATE	ACTIVITY	RATING	COORDINATOR
Jan-31	Bachelor Creek	М	Jacobson/Graves
Feb-19	Rescue Training - YWCA Pool	VOLUNTEER	Terry Rich
Feb-21	White Oak - Gibson Bridge to Dixon Fields	Μ	OAC/Bill Sadler
Feb-26	Rescue Training - YWCA Pool	VOLUNTEER	Terry Rich
Mar-19	Beginner Classes - Creekside Park	VOLUNTEER	County/Terry Rich
Mar-22	Contentnea Creek – Hookerton	Μ	Carolyn Borgert
Mar-26	Beginner Classes - Creekside Park	VOLUNTEER	County/Thom Wilson
Apr-2	Beginner Classes - Creekside Park	VOLUNTEER	County/Terry Rich
Apr-9	Beginner Classes - Creekside Park	VOLUNTEER	County/Thom Wilson

(See TRPC web site for details) http://www.twinriverspaddleclub.org/index.html

8:10 PM Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully submitted, Rick Tollmann, Secretary

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, February 10, 2015 at 7:00 PM in the Commissioners Room on the second floor of the Craven County Administration Building, 406 Craven Street, New Bern