

Twin Rivers Paddle Club

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

MEETING MINUTES February 9, 2016

President:

7:00 pm, Thom Wilson opened the meeting by welcoming everyone. With another good turnout and a number of new faces in the room, Tom requested we go around the room and have everyone introduce themselves.

Vice President:

Carolyn Borgert reported that most of our early scheduled paddle trip descriptions are now available on our 2016 calendar. Trip leaders...please submit Paddle descriptions to Carolyn well in advance of your scheduled paddle. c.borgert@live.com

Treasurer:

Due to a previous commitment, treasurer Bill Sadler was unable to attend tonight's meeting. No report.

Secretary:

Rick Tollmann began by informing the club that the minutes of January 9, submitted and posted, has since been amended. Rick explained a change to the "Safety and Training" portion and that an amended copy will soon be posted on TRPC's web site. A motion to accept the minutes as amended was made, seconded and carried.

Communications:

Chuck Kimball reported that TRPC's web site is up to date and working well. Also, no e-mail issues reported this past month.

Craven County Recreation and Parks:

Mark Seymour informed the club that the upcoming beginner class scheduled for April is generating some interest.

Old Business:

Past paddles: February 1, Joanne Somerday coordinated a 10 mile paddle on the White Oak River. A group of seven paddled from the campground in Maysville to Hayward Landing. Great weather...great company...great paddle.

Thom Wilson's plan to host a club paddle along the Trent River followed by a Super Bowl Party at his home was revised with the paddle being cancelled due to some mighty poor weather. But the bad weather had little effect on the good time inside. A big thanks to Leann and Thom for hosting such a nice event.

New Business:

Rescue class, YMCA pool, March 31, 5:00 – 8:00 pm No cost to members. Volunteers needed, contact Carolyn.

NC Paddle Festival, Swansboro, May 3-7 Volunteers needed, contact Carolyn.

Kids Riverfest (venue change) Neuseway Park, Kinston May 21 Volunteers needed, contact Carolyn.

Need for Volunteers. As you can see, a number of our events rely on club members volunteering. Please consider helping out by volunteering.

Safety & Training

Terry gave a presentation/demonstration on proper use of "Rescue Gear". He discussed pros and cons on a number of items, including paddle floats and tow systems. Terry highly recommends all trip leaders equip themselves with some sort of emergency tow system, and to become familiar with its proper use. "All the gear in the world is no good if you don't have training on how to use it."

Upcoming Events and Paddles:

Mar. 31	Self-Rescue Class YMCA pool	Terry Rich / Volunteers
April 7, 14, 21 & 28	Beginner Kayak class	Terry Rich / Volunteers
April 15-17	East Coast Paddle Fest, Charleston SC	
April 23	Core Creek Landing	Carolyn Borgert / Cal Hansen
April 30	Dawson's Creek	Carolyn Borgert

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

8:15 PM Meeting Adjourned

Rick Tollmann, Secretary

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, March 8, 2016 at 7:00 PM in the Commissioners Room on the second floor of the Craven County Administration Building, 406 Craven Street, New Bern