

**Power Line Education Fund
Williams Building
Colebrook, NH
January 9, 2011
3 – 5 PM
Minutes**

Purpose of Meeting: To form plans to regarding Northern Pass and set up some activities. To structure the Power Line Education Fund.

Present: Pam Frizzell, Rick Johnsen, Marty Kaufman, Janice Kaufman, Valerie Herres, and William Schomburg

POWERLINE EDUCATION FUND

Issues to Address: Rick brought to the group a list of possible projects and activities that need to be done to establish the Power Line Education Fund.

1. Do we take the PLEF to the next level and apply for a 501c3 not for profit status? The group reviewed the requirements to become a 501c3 and the necessary paper work and fees. All agreed that it would take time. Perhaps in the interim the PLEF could find an umbrella organization. Several have been approached but have decided that the PLEF didn't fit into their mission statement.
2. Mission Statement: Rick and Valerie had reviewed various mission statements. Rick will continue to work on it.
3. PLEF board. All current members are present at the meeting. Who else should we invite? The group agreed to think about it and explore this with other people who might be interested.
4. Rick and Marty have been signing payment checks for the Fund. Donations have been coming in the mail, by hand and through Papal linked within the www.livefreeorfry.org web site. We need to pay some bills! There were receipts for all expenditures which the group reviewed and okayed payment for outstanding bills.

ADVERTISING AND GETTING THE WORD OUT

The group agreed that it was important now to get the word out and continue the work we had established. Some proposals were:

1. Put an ad in the newspaper (News and Sentinel) regarding the issues and write a thank you press release on the Outback fund raiser. Rick and Valerie will do that.
2. The group discussed the need for a banner. Rick will look into expenses, compare prices with printers etc. That should cost around \$100. Rick will also explore the costs of having more bumper stickers printed and we can budget about \$200 for that.
3. Liebl printing has donated some tyvek paper for printing posters and is willing to give the PLEF a discount on printing. Cost would be around \$400. The group approved the idea and Rick will work up design with the designers, seek approval from others then contact Liebl Printing.
4. Since Northern Pass is the feature Sponsor for this year's Swift Diamond Rider's Snodeo scheduled for the first weekend in March, the PLEF felt it was important to attend as well with a table and distribute fact sheets and other information on Northern Pass. Rick will look into the cost for a display and web presents on their web site. Pam volunteered to attend the Vintage Snow Mobile Races this coming weekend and will bring fact sheets and bumper stickers to hand out.

PLANNING FOR NEXT INFORMATION MEETING TO BE SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY 25TH AT THE COLEBROOK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

1. The group agreed it was important to follow up the initial information meeting and discussed Jan 28th as a possible date. Rick will check with the school. Friday will be a good day for the meeting since many landowners come up for the weekend.
2. Asked Cindy Lou Amey to help and high school students may help by serving refreshments.
3. The group discussed bringing materials and started to work on the agenda. The idea is to shape the meeting as a Landowner Rights Meeting but to invite all those who are concerned and to address landowner concerns. Valerie will contact Peter Powell to see if he can be a guest speaker. She will also ask Peter Riviere if he's willing to be the facilitator. The group would ask Bob Baker to address some of the legal issues with the landowners and answer questions. All agreed that this shouldn't take the place of a lawyer client relationship but rather to provide information and support for landowners.

A date was set for the next meeting to take place in late February depending on schedules and availability of the conference room at the Williams Building.