

## TENNESSEE TRAILS ASSOCIATION

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## MINUTES FOURTH QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING

Reply To: The meeting was held at Cumberland Mountain State Park following the annual meeting. Those present were:

Grimes Slaughter Don Todd Dot Lingerfelt Bill Stutz

Dave Stidham Evan Means

Absent: Gordon Newland

Dave Rhyne

Evelyn Tretter

Also present: Bob Martin

There was a discussion of liability insurance for easement landowners. This matter will be investigated further.

Evelyn Tretter will write a letter for TTA to Senator Henry Jackson asking his support of Senate Bill 2026, providing for wider right-of-way for the Appalachian Trail. 2066

Evelyn Tretter presented two issues which are being pursued by the Tennessee Hobos Retirees Chapter of the National Campers and Hikers Association, for which support is being asked.

- Making a survey of citizens of Tennessee on the subject of litter, in an effort to strengthen and obtaining enforcement of the state litter law. A copy of the questionnaire will be distributed with the newsletter, with the request that it be returned to Mrs. Tretter, who will make a summary and send to the sponsors.
- Support of a Tennessee bottle bill. The board agreed to make an effort to obtain sponsors for Senate Bill S4876. HB=885. A copy of an information sheet will be mailed to each board member by Mrs. Tretter. Oak Ridge, Chattanooga and Nashville area board members will make a effort to obtain six sponsors in each area, before the legislature convenes in January.

After adjournment, seven people took a short hike on the Cumberland Trail on Bradley Mountain.

Evelyn Tretter, Recording Secretary

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only two difficult spots, where landowners on bound the displayed aerial ments, but he felt theproblem could be worked out. He displayed aerial survey maps of the entire trail. He expects the trail to be open by the end of 1977. Ten miles will be built and marked in the very near future.

The Board voted a "Well Done" commendation to Mr. Newland.

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The following/to the by-laws was approved by the board and will be presented for vote at the annual meeting on November 22.

7. Officers for Local Chapters—The members of a local chapter may, at their discretion, elect a chairman, a vice chairman and a secretary and treasurer. The conditions of office shall be the same as set forth in the constitution of the Tennessee Trails Association for officers of the association.

The president stated that Joe Gaines, statetrails administrator, had discussed with him the desirability of having the TTA annual meeting at the same site as a proposed state trails symposium the week of Nov. 22, and having a joint session with TTA. This will be discussed further.

Dave Shupe, State Conservation Department coordinator for the Cumberland Trail, stated that two U.T. agriculture graduates had been employed

for the summer by the state to clear and regrade the boundary trail at Frozen Head Natural Area.

Mr. Shupe presented a landowner easement agreement between the American Company and TTA, which he had drawn up. He was in favor of tailoring each agreement to fit the situation, with the American Company agreement to be the extreme in detail, down to simple verbal agreements.

Attorney David Gray of Nashville will be asked to pass on the legality of the agreement, and to examine the TTA charter to be sure making such agreements is within the limits of the charter.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m. after which the group enjoyed a delicious lunch prapared by Ruth Slysher.

Evelyn Aretter, Recording Secretary

Note: No meeting was held during the second quarter.