

Great Saltpetre Cave Preserve

Management Committee Meeting 10/6/09

Start 7:15 PM

Committee Members present:

Neena Jud
Chris Hacker
Werner Jud

Tim Hale
Mike McNabb
Richard Duncan
Tammy Otten
Bruce Soluski
Brian Pitcher
Dustin Smith

also attending:

Bob Dobbs
Janice Gott
Matt Keller

Secretary

Minutes were read.
Motion to accept. TH. CH 2nd

Treasurers Report

Expenses exceeded income. Detailed Financial report available on request.

Caretaker Report

N.A.

Old business

Shower house. Outside hot water, replacement of wood front scheduled to be completed Oct. 29-30 Drip edge needs to be installed.

Upper Outhouse. Stack supports and a couple of small details to be completed by winter.

Outside Refrigerator Back at the shelter and working. Thermostat fixed and fan motor replaced. Cost \$160.00.

Gravel and topsoil. Have not been delivered due to rain.

Mowing Limits. Discussed and a map has been drafted. Mowing of back field for hay discussed and determined not an option.

Youth Trips. Mount Vernon Elementary scheduled Oct. 29, 30. Laurel Co. 4th graders, Oct. 23. Plenty of volunteers to help. Bob Dobbs would like to see some good photos taken of these trips.

Mount Vernon Signal. Article recently submitted. We plan on doing this 3-4 times a year.

John Agnew Artwork. John has been out of town.

Merchandise on the web site. RD has images of products. Will provide them when Webmaster is ready.

Forest Carbon Credits. No new information. Estimated cost of \$1,500.00 - \$3,000.00 to determine our value.

National Register for Historic Places. Contact has been made. Next step is to develop the application.

Entrance drive resurfacing. We have not received a quote from Greer.

Work Weekend 10/23,24. will recruit help from the Halloween party!

New Business

Memorial Garden. Mary Gratsch is heading up this project and we will help as needed. Will be in the works by Open House 2010.

Memorial to Ellie Schiller. A stone bench and plaque on the path to the cave was discussed.

Electric to the Point. Extend service to the Lower Mondo and Sauna area. Plans and a material list need to be finalized.

Shelter/Kitchen. The shed roof over the grill and kitchen door needs replacement. WJ will submit a materials list. The kitchen needs quite a bit of work. Correct groundwater drainage and run off. Grease trap and septic system updated. Flooring. CH will develop a sequence list and other details.

Entry Sign. Designs needed for a new entry design. Sign and front drive improvements may qualify for a grant. Dustin Smith may have access to the woodworking equipment needed for the sign.

Lock combo. No obvious need to change it right now. Maybe wait till 2011.

Webmaster. Gary Bush has offered to update our Web site. Discussion next month.

Communication. Tammy discussed the need for better communication between the three Grottos with each other and the GSP Committee to reserve special dates and better notification of work weekends. Possible thru Yahoo groups.

New Years Eve. This year falls on a Thursday. Since it starts an early weekend see if there's any interest in throwing a party this year as we have in the past.

Calendar. Start of calendar for the committee.

Work Weekend May 1-2

Open House May 15-16

KOR July 18-22

Meeting adjourned 9:05

Richard Duncan 20132

Next GSP Committee meeting to be held at the Main Branch of the Boone County Public Library on Burlington Pike on Tuesday Nov. 10th, 7PM.