# **Great Saltpetre Cave Preserve**

Management Committee meeting 3/13/2010 At The Great Saltpetre Cave Preserve

# Start 7:20pm

#### **Committee Members present:**

Neena Jud GCG Werner Jud GCG Chris Hacker DUG **Also attending:** 

Bob Dobbs Bill Carr Deb Bledsoe Traci Hacker Shawn Pollock BGG Tim Hale DUG Richard Duncan GCG

Jean Ray Kevin Hill Michael Hughes and Mae Helen Pollock

# Minutes:

Read and accepted

# **Treasurers Report:**

*Expenses exceeded income. Detailed Financial report available on request. This report contains specific information on our restricted funds.* 

#### **Caretakers Report:**

Showerhouse is open for the season. BC suggests that gravel is needed on the uphill section of road past Scout Camp and along service road to the cave. Has been reviewing papers and believes there may be 8 Union Solders buried in the cave. Suggests the use of cadaver dogs from London, KY. Bill will pursue information. C.H. mentioned U.C. and EKU is interested in research in the cave. Permits needed. Werner suggests we stick to scientific protocol. Bill Carr also brought up the issue about problems with the lock at the front gate and the lock being put on backwards. Werner will resubmit to the Committee a design modification to the gate that he first submitted in 2002. The Committee is looking for a metal worker to take on this project.

# **Old Business**

<u>Shelter Roof.</u> Old roof was removed today. The lumber is here and the roofing is coming.

<u>Composting Outhouse</u>. Excavation for the pad was dug today. The concrete is scheduled to pour tomorrow. Have received a line of credit but will complete the project as grants and funds come in.

<u>Grants.</u> No new progress on existing grants. An application will be sent out for a grant from "The Kentucky Colonels".

<u>National Register.</u> Tim and Ken took the much needed photos of the cave today. Tim will categorize the photos soon.

<u>Website</u>. As new webmaster Gary Bush is seeking ideas. The store is up and running with t-shirts and books. We will ad a Scout Group section to our website to cover details for group caving and camping at GSP.

<u>Group Camping.</u> The group formally known as Woodland Alters has requested June 13-18 for exclusive use of the campgrounds. The committee will inform them of our guidelines for cave usage.

<u>Logo.</u> John Agnew has submitted a logo design. WJ will distribute it for input when he gets back to town.

Travel Expense. Tabled

 $\underline{W.N.S.}$  was found in an eastern Tenn. Cave. The decontamination system is ready for KOR. Deb has state contact information. All caves on federal land are closed at this time.

#### **New Business**

<u>Open House.</u> Bill Carr has declined to run Open House this year but has offered to mentor whoever volunteers. Bob Dobbs has offered to run Open House this year. NJ suggested we document procedures for future reference. General discussion about getting the word out, merchandise to sell. Melissa Soluski has offered to paint a backdrop for photos of cavers in period clothes. CH and BC are looking into replacing the registration tarp.

<u>KOR</u> security, cave guidelines, and KOR clean up will be developed. There will be a KOR meeting following this meeting. RD will operate the Guano Grill this year with the proceeds going to kitchen improvements. BGG will have the ice concession and set up near the first aid tent.

<u>Memorial Day weekend.</u> Lila Mullins will once again have exclusive use of the shelter, kitchen, and immediate area on Saturday. We need to get the word out.

The next meeting will be 7pm Tuesday, April 6 at Molly Malone's 6111 Montgomery Road in Pleasant Ridge 45213

9:00 WJ Motion to adjourn. TH 2<sup>nd</sup>