Great Saltpetre Cave Preserve Committee Meeting

December 12, 2013 - Sharonville Library

Committee Members Present:

Chris Hacker Werner Jud Neena Jud David Brooks Tama Cassidy Jerry Brandenburg

Also attending:

Bob Dobbs Traci Hacker

Meeting started at 7:14 pm.

Announcements:

None

Secretary's Report:

- Minutes from the November meeting were summarized.
- WJ made a motion to accept, SP 2nd.

We are trying to keep an updated list of who wants the minutes for emailing.

Meeting minutes are posted on the GSP website (without actual dollar amounts in the financial report). The minutes contain the facts and decisions, not necessarily all the discussions and opinions. To be fully informed, it is best to attend the meetings.

Treasurer's Report:

Report submitted by Werner Jud, no issues noted. Report accepted by committee.

Caretaker's Report:

- Large dumpster has been swapped for a smaller dumpster positioned closer to the tree swing.
- Shower house has been shut down for the winter.

Old Business

- Tractor maintenance: issue is still unknown.
- *Wi-Fi:* A coordinator has been put in place. No checks have been received for Wi-Fi purposes as of this meeting. An inquiry has been made for a Family Pass. Additional donations may be made for people wanting to give it to family members GSP is honor system. We ARE considering a full/partial year Wi-Fi pass, and a combination Camping/Wi-Fi pass. *Should information regarding Wi-Fi coordinator be put on the website?*

- **Scout Projects:** CH has contacted the regional Eagle Scout coordinator to determine requirements for Scout projects to be put on our website. Tama noted that we should make a list of potential projects that can be handed out once this happens. Chris will solicit GCG for someone to take on Scout Project Coordinator position for the committee (POC for projects and letting them on the property). Potential Projects: Scout Trail, etc.
- **Black Oak Shelter Timbers:** The timbers are still waiting for pickup from Duke Hopper in London, KY. 3-4 people are needed to lift them into a truck and brought to GSP. Werner will solicit Jim Pheanis (brings us firewood) to do this for us.
- **Green Latrine:** Parts have been obtained by WJ he just needs to get down to GSP to implement fixes. NJ is trying to write an article for the NSS Conservation issue regarding the Green Latrine.
- **Open House:** No volunteers have stepped up so far. Jeff Saylor at BGG has worked with this in the past and may be receptive to taking this on. Info needs to get into Renfro's tourist information soon if Open House is going to happen. DB will ask and may consider being a mentor. NJ is willing to help out on advertising in papers/flyers/etc. has a list for where information should go and when. The next issue is a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the Historic Registration bit NJ will jump on this in Jan, Tammy Otten will be one RKC person involved Chris would like to get a plaque made for this honor (NJ knows a place in KY that will do this). More will be considered in January for all this.
- *Missing Photo Book:* No feedback has been received about the missing photo book. Last time it was seen was several years ago - everyone who had borrowed it says they passed it on, but whereabouts are unknown - DB will ask in BGG, and WJ will write something up for the GCG Newsletter. This book has significant historic value to us - we'd like to get it back. We could also look into having it re-printed.
- **Freezer:** Replacement is still needed. We need removal of old one and transport of new one if any cavers have resources (before we go outside caving circles). Would Larry Weist have any contacts Werner will ask Mary.

New Business

- 2014 Camping Passes are available.
- **Square for Payments:** Neena has a Square, and we have enough smartphone/tablets to start taking payments for camping passes and Wi-Fi.

The next meeting will be Thursday January 9 at 7pm, location TBD. The February meeting will be on Thursday the 13th at 7pm, location TBD. The March meeting will be on Thursday the 13th at 7pm, location TBD.

Motion to adjourn by NJ, seconded by CH. Adjourned at 8:07.