

# Great Saltpetre Preserve

Management Committee Meeting 1/11/11

7:00pm at Molly Malone's Pub

## Committee Members present:

Neena Jud GCG

Werner Jud GCG

Mike McNabb GCG

Richard Duncan GCG

## Also attending:

Bob Dobbs

Howard Kalnitz

Janice Gott

Pam Duncan

## Minutes

There was no December meeting

## Discussion

MMcN brought up the question of how to conduct our business without a quorum. Neena has been talking to Chris Hacker about this to temporarily fill the spots with GCG members. Janice mentioned that we are a committee without a constitution and don't actually need a quorum to conduct business. Question was asked, should any other grottos be considered for committee representatives to give us the volunteer manpower needed to operate GSP? WJ explained what qualifies BGG and DUG to have the same "special status" as GCG relative to access to GSP. They have representation on the Management Committee and volunteer to help with maintenance and projects at the Preserve. If additional volunteers would be needed, consideration of this special status for another grotto would be considered. All Committee Members are required to read, understand and sign off on our key documents i.e. MOU, Strategic Plan, and Management Plan.

## Treasurers Report

December revenues and expenses. Camping passes and on site camping donations \$379. Auction split w/GCG \$318. Income, \$697.50.

Expensed for the month \$623.34, includes utilities and chain saw repair. The budget format will be reworked for the next meeting.

## **Caretakers Report**

No report.

## **Business**

The 2010 budget was reviewed.

Projected Budget for 2011 is based on the slight increase in camping fees and was discussed. The general maintenance budget will be increased \$5,000.00 from 2010 and now include supplies that were previously unbudgeted. Utilities will rise a bit. Discussions to start a reserve fund, determine what it will be used for, and commit at least \$1,000 per year.

Current Projects. Complete Composting Outhouse - Replacement of upper level lights discussed and approved. WJ will purchase and install Metal Halide. Estimated cost, \$1,600. - RD & HK to Repair and finish painting outside of shower house. - BD will install Additional barriers in Museum section. - Dana and Dan to install air vents in the shower house. - Trail head signs MMcN. – Decorative roof supports for the CO. MMcN - Ongoing Scout service hours, Pot hole repairs, RD. - Tractor repair, WJ & PH - Put all data on GIS system, HK

Projects in queue. Contact Jamie, ready to run power to the point. - WJ to develop memorial to Ellie Schiller. - Interpretive Signs, BY.

Future Projects that just need someone to head them up. Paint inside of shower house - Improve display case in the cave.

Long Term Projects. Entry Drive improvements – Kitchen – Entrance sign – Swinging Bridge – Dam repair – Trail from gate to Scout Camp.

Marketing. Need to get products on web site. PD looking into selling artwork at NSS Convention.

RKC. PD & BD presented a potential project. RKC and Renfro Valley have had initial talks into a joint venture having a Bluegrass group perform in the cave in late August. The Management Committee present is receptive the event. NJ suggested the entire management

committee hold a special meeting, soon, to discuss commitment and details.

Meeting adjourned 9:50pm  
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**The next scheduled GSP meeting will be February 8<sup>th</sup> at 7pm  
Location, The Juds**

On 1/19/11 a conference call was attended by all Management Committee members. All agreed to support the RKC/Renfro Valley event in late August. All agree we have a lot of details to work out.