

Great Saltpetre Cave Preserve

Committee Meeting

October 11, 2018 – GoToMeeting

Committee Members Present:

Scott Pavey (online)

Jerry Brandenburg (online)

Elizabeth Copelin (via telephone)

Fred Ball (via telephone)

Also attending:

Bill Carr (online)

7:07 the meeting was called to order.

Secretary's report: Scott Pavey made a motion to accept the minutes from the last month's meeting, JB 2nd. Tonight's minutes were taken by Scott Pavey.

Caretaker's report

Bill Carr reported mowing again.

The aluminum & plastic recycling was picked up, but the glass was left since it was not in plastic bags.

BC reported that feces was found in the Showerhouse again. His presumption is Scouts were responsible.

The telephone line was repaired 730' up the hill. A faster internet speed or better connection is not available at this time. Fiber optic line is planned to be run along 1004 in a couple of years.

He looked into the cost of used Gators - \$8,000 was what he found.

He found a check near the Pay pipe with part of the upper left corner torn off. He suspects mice can get into the pay pipe and wonders what else they have pulled out.

The trees on Edna Cameron's property were logged recently. They stopped at the flagging tape that we placed a few months ago.

BC has not seen Lyla recently and therefore has not passed on the key. He did raise a question about passing on the full Management Plan. No resolution.

Buddy Mullins has asked to have a group of 40-50 people camp at the Preserve in January. No resolution.

Treasurer's report

The Treasurer was not present and did not send a report before the meeting.

Old Business

Work Weekend scheduled for this weekend, October 13. Scott asked BC to develop a prioritized list of work around the Preserve that he would like attacked. Scott plans on trimming trees, weed whipping the swales, improving the drainage into the linear drain along the road, patching the Showerhouse roof, installing plexiglas in the Showerhouse windows and cutting a tree on the Point.

Friends of Great Saltpetre Preserve Elizabeth shared that they are hoping to get this all pulled together before Open House. She was wondering if the Friends group could contribute funds and use GoToMeeting for their meetings. They see that the Management Plan will need to be updated. They are wondering if FOGSP needs to be a GSP sub-committee. She also raised a concern about limiting the pool of candidates for the FOGSP chair position to GSP Committee members. No resolution to any of these items.

Donation box (or pipe) on Shelter wall – Jerry is investigating.

New Business:

Another video: Chris Wood, from the Shookum Hills video production (formerly known as Sinkhole) gave Bill Carr's contact information to someone interested in filming in the Cave for a Sunday school lesson. A few emails about this were exchanged and shared with the Committee prior to the meeting. A date of Monday, December 3, 2019 was mentioned. It was suggested that she attend to share more about this request. Nothing further was heard. At the time of this discussion a quorum was not present to make a decision.

Responsibilities: Scott Pavey asked the Committee members to consider what aspects of the Preserve maintenance they would like to be responsible for, and report back to him.

Jerry Brandenburg made a motion to adjourn, FB 2nd. Meeting ended at 7:47 pm.

**Next meeting will be:
7:00 pm, Thursday November 8, 2018**

Calendar Summary:

October 19-21, 2018	BSA Troops 555 & 68
November 9-11, 2018	BSA Troop 84 & 14
November 16-18, 2018	BSA Troop 952
December 7-9, 2018	BSA Troop 718
March 15-17, 2019	BSA Troops 1 & 930