Northeastern Cave Conservancy, Inc Executive Committee Board Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Christa Hay 08/14/2004 – Cohoes, NY

Meeting called to order at 2:35 p.m.

Attendance: B. Addis, B. Folsom, J. Levinson, C. Hay, J. Armstrong, P. Murphy, A. Lehmann.

General Discussions: (action items)

- Clarksville- the subdivision application was returned due to an error, need to correct and get June Alberts signature again. Add will talk to Sonny Albert on making the parking lot when June signs the application again. Al Lehmann will get the subdivision application corrected and handed in.
- There is \$13,000 in outstanding pledges for Clarksville.
- Joe Levinson will contact Mike Breen for dates on closing.
- NSS Grant Bob A. was approached about "no cave for pay". NSS does not want to give NCC money anymore. But the NSS has never defined the term "cave for pay". NCC applied for a \$5,000 grant- was put on hold. Joe L. will speak with Phil Moss at next BOG meeting and pull the grant.
- OTR will try to sell lanyards at registration, 50/50 and have the display at the tent.
- NRO Helderberg-Hudson Grotto requested partial use of the NCC tent at NRO.
- Christa H. to look up prices on display for next board meeting.
- <u>Joe L will send Secretary an electronic vote for the contract on the Gregory Entrance.</u>
- Joe L. has modified the NSS Cave and Karst Acquisition Policy for NCC use will have a motion for next board meeting.
- Ella Armstrong survey is complete Mike Bourgeois and Chuck Porter worked on this. Ed Lucas will work on management plan. This will be a separate area and management plan from Knox Cave.
- C.Hay asked if anyone present would like to be manager of Ella Armstrong Joe Armstrong volunteered will have motion at next board meeting.
- Clarksville Management Team there will be a motion at the next board meeting to have Mike Chu, Chuck Porter and Mike Warner work on Clarksville. Feel that it is too much for one person.
- Bob A. received an email from Jennifer Spoon on concerns with Howe Cave and Cobleskill Stone Products. Bob will respond and invite her to the next board meeting.
- Surprise Cave would NCC be interested in managing Surprise Cave for the State. <u>Bob A. to contact Thom Engel on making a pitch to DEC on management of the cave.</u>
- Status of grant proposal- NCC will not be submitting a grant to the Underhill Foundation since we have enough money for Clarksville and do not have another project right away.
- Stone Church in Dutchess County \$800,000.00 for 53 acres. Might be able to take a tour of the place Bob A. will send out to group to see if there is interest.
- Joe A. there should be porta-Johns at Clarksville how to set them up so not get vandalized. Joe will check on prices.

Meeting adjourned at 4:23 p.m.

Annual NCC BBQ begins. Good food, people and fun!