Granville Township Land Management Committee November 15, 2007 Minutes

Present: Craig McDonald, Judy Preston, Laura Mickelson, Roger Dunifon, Rob Schaadt and Mickey Smith.

Minutes of the October 18 meeting were read and approved. The Summary of Activities statement was amended and corrected. Copies of both the minutes and Summary statement will be sent to the Trustees and Candi Moore of the Licking County Land Trust.

Craig reported on the status of the Eagle Scout projects for the Spring Valley trails. He is still working with Eric Schmittgen regarding trail marking and signs. Craig also met with Alex Miller and discussed his plans to install a bridge. Alex's project is scheduled to be completed by November 25. He has talked with appropriate professionals about the bridge design, will submit the required papers for approval of the Boy Scout organization and should begin work within the next few days.

Rob will contact Candi Moore about the Licking County Land Trust's plans for development of Spring Valley and how this committee might contribute to it.

Rob met with Bill Laughlin of the USDA regarding the Kennedy-Rader parcel on Loudon Street. He had discussed water way problems found on the property with Phil Watts, who is farming the acreage and shared that discussion with Mr. Laughlin. Options for dealing with the perimeter space included using it as a wildlife buffer or as a green space band. A marshy area on the site could be developed into a small wetland or be mowed regularly. Mr. Jim Johnson might be a resource for additional land management strategies. The committee has set Sunday, November 25 at 3:00 as a time to walk the Kennedy-Rader area.

We will wait for Mr. Van Ness to complete harvesting activities to rewalk the Quisenberry piece.

Craig will meet with Wes Sargent soon and will ask about when Spring Valley can be opened to the public.

The next meeting was set for December 13, 2007 at 7:30 in the Sexton Building of Maple Grove Cemetery.

Respectfully submitted by Mickey Smith