

Granville Township Land Management Committee

February 10, 2009 meeting – minutes

Attendees: Rob Schaadt, Greg Dixon, Judy Preston, Mickey Smith

Minutes of the January 20, 2009 meeting were read and approved. They will be forwarded to Township Trustees and members of the Licking County Land Trust.

Public Relations: Discussion of committee website page draft proposed for township website continued from the January meeting. Additional comments were offered. Judy and Mickey will continue work on the page. It will then be sent on to Norm for consideration by the trustees.

Parks & Trails: Through e-mail notices Craig reported actions relevant to the sub-committee. He informed us that Granville Troop 65 has requested use of Spring Valley the weekend of April 4. The scouts would camp in tents and asked what arrangements need to be made. It was agreed that all such activities at the park should be scheduled through the Recreation Commission. It was also suggested that the fireplace in the shelter house be the only appropriate space for a “campfire” at the park.

Rob reported that the trustees have asked that we develop a set of regulations applicable to camping at the park. Greg will develop a set of such policies for the Spring Valley Nature Preserve and present it at our March meeting. It would then be sent on to the trustees for finalizing.

Craig also reported that Derek Esh is almost ready to begin work on the two kiosks and one sign/display case for the Preserve. Craig indicated that Charlie Severson has a draft presentation of his project and final plans would be forthcoming. Greg pointed out that recent weather has illustrated how Salt Run is impacted by heavy flows of water and suggested Charlie be contacted about the water force at the creek and that he consider it as he goes about planning for his project at the park.

The local Girl Scout troop will be ready to present their idea for a Spring Valley project within the next month.

Scott Williams of the Denison ENVS program informed us that he has all the materials created by the Practicum Class and that they will be available for our use at the park.

Agriculture: no report

Additional Topics: Kiwanis Sugar Bush – Rob received an e-mail from Don Lewis saying he would like to get started on the lease negotiations for the Salt Run property so planting could be done during mid-April this year. He and Bill Brady are making plans to bush-hog the plot. Rob will contact Norm Kennedy to confirm receipt of Don Lewis’s notice and see what progress has been made regarding the lease.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 10, 2009 at 7:30 in the Sexton Building of Maple Grove Cemetery.

Submitted by: Mickey Smith

