

Rockcastle Karst Conservancy
April 21st held at Great Saltpetre Cave Preserve

Present were

Ron Crawford, Bill Carr, Bill Simpson, Bill Addington, Jerry Brandenburg, Werner Jud, Andy Niekamp, David Lee, Lisa Pruitt Thorner, Wayne Barton, Mary Gratsch, Chris Hacker, Bob Dobbs, Pat and Jo Hutson, Sherri Dimmerman, Tammy Otten, Pete Stow, and Robert Yuellig

Wayne Barton and Mary Gratsch drafted articles of incorporation and reviewed the common themes that are in all AOIs used to complete the RKC's AOIs.

Chris Hacker inquired about a statement of intent. The AOI had one in place.

Lisa reviewed and clarified "political engagements". Political views are allowed. "No monetary contributions of a substantial influence are allowed". The IRS will not issue a 501-3-(c) if that statement is not included in the AOI.

Reviewed AOIs and By-Laws. AOIs are the incorporations filing with the state. By-Laws are the day-to-day laws that govern the conservancy.

Reviewed responsibilities of Directors, officers and management committees.

Directors; have the legal responsibility of the incorporation.
Officers are responsible for the management of the conservancy.
Management committees run property holdings.

Lisa reviewed and explained the draft AOI line by line.

Wayne and Mary will revise the draft and send it out for review via E Mail to the RKC committee for approval. After approval Lisa Pruitt Thorner will file the AOI with the State of Kentucky.

MOTION for name of the conservancy

The name of the conservancy was debated between the Rockcastle Karst Conservancy or the Rockcastle Regional Karst Conservancy
Rockcastle Karst Conservancy was approved as the name of the new conservancy.

Lisa Pruitt Thorner volunteered to act as the agent for the RKC and the State Of Kentucky.

Three temporary directors were voted in to serve until Jan. 1 2005

Pat Hutson

Werner Jud

Andy Niekamp

This will permit time to nominate the first term of directors.

The time line for filing the AOI should be 1 month and By-Laws to be filed within 3 months

Next Meeting will be May 21st at 6pm. Mary Gratsch will host. There will be a grillout at the meeting