



PROPERTIES COMMITTEE AGENDA  
Orem Service Center, 7 pm, 19 JAN 11

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| 7:00 | <p>Welcome &amp; introductions</p> <p>Present:</p> <p>Myrle Astrope<br/>Dwight Inouye<br/>Dave Otteson<br/>Sheldon Hetzel<br/>Rene Luth</p> | <p>Kathy Worthen<br/>Tom James<br/>Nathan Wood<br/>Steve Frisby<br/>Andy Gibbons</p> | <p>By Phone:</p> <p><i>Conflicting Meeting;</i><br/>there was no call<br/>in available</p> | <p>Myrle Astrope<br/>Staff:</p> <p>Darryl Alder<br/>Bob Gowans<br/>Mark Veteto<br/>Dave Johnson</p> |
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- 1- Roll Call and introductions: (see list above)  
 Invocation: Bob Gowans  
 Pledge of Allegiance: Kathy Worthen  
 Scout Oath & Law: Myrle Astrope
  - 2- Approval of Minutes Myrle Astrope  
 Sheldon moved for approval, with a second by Kathy. Approved after corrections
  - 3 Old Business Myrle Astrope
    - a. Report: Advancement in Camp Nathan Wood  
 Nathan reported no change since month. Bob presented a six column list of made by the camp directors. Maple Dell, Tifie, and Thunder Ridge already have these published in their Scoutmaster guide for the summer. These will be added to the lists of Merit Badges being advanced to RL Peay for review by Advancement committee.
    - b. Update: Warehouse Myrle  
 Construction has begun on the North Star storage area and Quartermaster's office/paint storage—work will be delayed into February
    - c. Camp Budget and 2011 Marketing Plans reports Nathan  
 Capital and building improvements at each camp necessitate a full camp for use of budgeted maintenance monies—we cannot spend budget, only income. Bob presented two spread sheets that showed all camp budgets compared to needed registrations and a March to January registration comparison (these are attached separately to the minutes)  
 Nathan reported that changes in registration at Maple Dell, cutting one program week and marketing should fill the camp. Sheldon asked about how much we provided the council for operations last year. Bob was not sure how the figures ended up—year end was just completed and he had no report, but for 2011 we will need to provide the Council \$377,372. Sheldon asked that we insert Camp Director and Ranger salaries and benefits as a reimbursable expense to the council—2 ½ office staff ought to be included (Dave asked



that Darryl and Bob's hours might be included). Nathan asked that this go forward as a motion to the budget committee. Dwight cautioned that this could be a can of worms, and return to us, as in we may be getting 100% of nothing. Myrle wants all the fees relevant to camp listed, so this seems appropriate. Dave pointed out that full time professionals probably have more time to do the work. No vote was taken on the motion

11 year old and Cub Scout Day camp flyers have been produced. A second mailing to all units should go out in mid February. Eric protested the marketing of all district day camps on the JJ flyer. He reminded the group that District Day Camps bring the council operations no income—he expects all future marketing to focus on income producing camps.

Nathan reported District Camping Chairman are being very slowly recruited. Next Wednesday there is a District Committee Training Workshop in St. George area.

Nathan stated that the camping website is not as good as it should be. He pointed out, marketing must be more than the website, especially with how poorly this one is done. Kathy wants marketing materials for camp given to new leaders, who often know nothing about our camping resources.

Sheldon was pleased there are two separate 11yr old and Cub Scout marketing pieces. Nathan really liked 11 yr old flyer. Robert reported we had no help from the marketing committee in design and messaging—he will request future help.

- d. Post Camp Inspection Summary for each camp Bob Gowans  
Still pending: Blue Mountain and High Uintah.  
Entrada completed in January. Entrada would like the trailer we purchased as surplus last year for their use.  
Maple dell needs a fire suppression system over their commercial stove in the Staff Lodge. They also need a hand washing facility for staff.  
JJ requested an additional fridge and want dumpsters relocated. Their waterfront needs to be secured and floating docks repaired. Further picnic tables need some repair.
  
- e. Thunder Ridge grant application progress Tom Shakespeare  
Grant progress is now in Gray Larkin's hands. This is enough to complete the



parking lot and gravel pit (lake). Dave Otteson raised concerns from his road building experience that we might be ducking our government due diligence. Dwight reported the careful transparency he has required on Tifie's pond—Leonard Blackham has worked with him and other governments to make this happen. Myrle stated that working with EPA is tough and may they not approve a lake at Thunder Ridge. Steve felt we cannot afford any fines and should caution the committee in moving forward. This needs to be clearly transparent to all government entities. Myrle wants to know what is next, but know one was there to answer his question. Sheldon likes the idea of a lake on top and of course NYLT would like to move the training center to the lower lake. There are clear merits to the project. Myrle wants to know who they have spoken to to get permission to go forward. No one was assigned to this task

- f. Policy Development on Campfires in each camp Nathan  
Nathan thinks there is a lot of confusion on whether our campers can build fires or not. He is in favor allowing fire building at each camp. He has a written policy proposal for our review and comment by email. Rene asked about Forest Service regulations. Dwight reported Tifie's restrictions are not all government based, but strong feelings of the local neighbors and staff have established their policy of no fires in camp. Dwight reported the pool may replace the lodge as the gathering place in a fire. Darryl told the group both the architect and contractor are considering fire shutters on the lodge, but keeping them in a building seemed foolish to some committee members. Steve F wants us to teach proper fire use including back country stoves. Sheldon suggested we use the the US Forest Service fire rings as a model (ie Bacon Park), which might be a solution to campfires springing up throughout our camps. Proposal will be discussed and voted on next month.
- g. *Tabled until Eric can be present.* Resolution to keep a minimum of 25-30% of all camp revenue should remain in the camps in 2012, 50% in 2013, 75% in 2014, and all camp revenues to remain in the camps by 2015
- h. High Adventure Committee Meeting Report Nathan  
Nathan reported a 26 page business plan with six hubs (Orem/Maple Dell, Tifie, Beaver, Cedar City/Thunder Ridge, Entrada, Uintah Basin) offering canoes, rafts, bikes, rifles. This will go out to review by Varsity and Venturing leaders, then back to Myrle and then to this committee. The cost is \$400,000 investment for the entire council. Andy reported it may be one-time money.



For 20 years, Dwight has run an equipment rental in his area which we can model for these sights. Andy reported that certifications would be required for aquatics, climbing and shooting sports. 50-miler trails will emerge around each hub. The goal is to have a final business plan in Myrle's hands for the Capital Steering Committee. Dwight pointed out this is an excellent opportunity for the training. Nathan pointed out serving Varsity Scouts and Venturing is a neglected part of the Council's strategic plan. The group agreed Dave Mitchell needs to represent this plan to the Council Capital Steering Committee tomorrow morning.

#### 4- New Business

##### a. Presentation: Maple Dell Business Plan

Steve Frisby

Steve thanked staff for the draft business plan. Darryl pointed out this is only a starting point. Bob Gowans provided updated marketing response info for insertion into all business plans for all camps and on page 9 in Maple Dell's. Darryl explained this new format for Business Plans will be most helpful to the Capital Steering committee.

New climbing tower and corral at Maple Dell

Dave J

He believes the loss of the pool has hurt marketing, so his team has developed five High Adventure activities, all of which will be outsourced:

- 1) horsemanship limited to Tuesday-Thursday (corral is the only capital cost pending). Rex Wilkerson will be the wrangler [there will be a cost of \$20 per scout]. Rene asked about helmets, which Dave reassured him would be available
- 2) SCUBA (no merit badge, but SCUBA adventure patch; like snorkeling and mile swim) there will be a \$1000 cost for a diving pool
- 3) Provo river float trip half day excursion for \$25 for two trips, \$35 kayak and \$10 for a bus
- 4) geocaching at night time and the fluerdeleis camp outline (100 sites). Nathan asked about the requirement for 9 hours of quiet time daily at camp
- 5) High COPE climbing tower with low COPE moving to the "truck stop" (this would eventually be closed in for year round use) the tower cost will be about \$5000. Steve referred to *Topping Out* plans—four 50 foot poles covered with pressure treated wood and pinch holds. He reported a stake encampment where they built one, where it was the most popular activity. He feels the tower may be as big an attraction as the swimming pool and for \$5000 it is a bargain. Darryl explained this is a capital improvement, but that it could be paid out of program supplies or less likely from the maintenance budget. There were safety and liability questions from the group—Bob



assured the group there would be a Camp School Certified Director for summer and off season use. This might generate year round income. Staff suggested this does not have to be advanced for approval other than the cost. The group considered three other ways it could be paid for: additional fees, borrow from fund 3 (or two) or make budget adjustment, however nothing was decided. There was some concern the SCUBA experience may compete with the Frandsen brand, and the horses Tifie. Dave O voiced concern that high COPE be protected by fence and rope care—safety first. There was nothing in the budget for protective fencing. Nathan wants to see a well written plan that shows costs, safety, budget/costs etc. Myrle asked for a quick Performa befor next meeting. When Nathan, Kathy and Dave Mitchel have approved the program concept, cost can be advanced to the Properties Key 3 to carry forward to the council officers

f. Kiwanis Property in Vernal Myrle  
Kathy feels they will be more happy at a city park than with other Council services. Sheldon pointed out there are 12 other properties that need to be developed first. Myrle thinks we would be nuts to take this gift. It was suggested we call Lynn Snow and Paul Hitchcock, followed by another staff visit.

- g. Camp Reports *due to time constraints no further reports were takend*
- 5- Next meeting is scheduled for 23 FEB 2011, 7 pm, Orem Service Center  
Sheldon made a motion to dismiss the meeting which was unanimously agreed upon  
Nathan offered a benediction

Being no further business this concludes the minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

Darryl H. Alder  
Director of Support Services

