

Indiana Caves Survey, Inc. Quarterly Meeting

September 11, 2000

All officers were present: President Bruce Trotter; Vice President Ray Sheldon; Secretary James Adams; Treasurer Keith Dunlap; Board Members Dave Black and Nick Noe.

The meeting was called to order at 7:44 PM at the Bloomington home of Bill Baus. Minutes of the June 2000 meeting were approved as published on the ICS website and in Issue #42 of The Indiana Cave Survey Notebook.

Dunlap reported \$1,933.49 in the Treasury. There has been no activity since the first of the quarter. Two people have been dropped for lack of dues.

County Director reports:

- Trotter reports that there is some activity in Jennings County but no reports have been received.
- Tom Rea noted that Putnam County has seen lots of activity this summer. Owen County has also had some work.
- In Washington County, Noe has not received any reports.
- Likewise, Adams reports no new activity in Greene or Martin Counties.
- Black has received some corrections to existing data in Harrison and Crawford Counties.
- Sheldon has not had much activity. He did receive a newspaper article that alludes to a cave in which some confederate soldiers starved to death.
- Baus recently received an inquiry on a cave near a housing development in Monroe County.
- Kevin Wools: Twelve to fifteen reports for Lawrence County have been received along with several inquiries for information.

Black has received the Access developer's package. He will probably have the databases for the County Directors at the CIG picnic at Tom Rea's next month. Dunlap asked for a "flash" screen that will appear whenever the program is started to indicate that the data is of a proprietary nature. There was discussion about supplying PDF format copies of the database. A review of the Bylaws revealed that Regular Members may receive only paper copies. Contributing Members would be eligible to receive the PDF files.

New databases from the County Directors will be due into Dave Black on January 31. We now have an obligation per our MOU with the Indiana Geological Survey to provide regular updates. County Directors must be aware of this deadline and work diligently to meet the January 31st cut off. The database custodian must be equally conscious of turning the update back to the County Directors in a timely fashion. The goal is the March meeting.

Archivist Trotter has added three new caves into the files.

Adams reported on the ICS website: No new content.

The ICS/IGS MOU has been signed and a copy of the MOU will be put on the website. John R. Hill has been appointed as the IGS liaison. Ray Sheldon has been appointed as the ICS liaison. We'll also link to the IGS website.

There have been no new comments on the database licensing agreement. Noe will check and work with Adams to make sure that the latest version is online for review. There will be discussion at the December meeting.

Sheldon has been working on a County Directors' report form. This could be an annual or a quarterly form. It is hoped that if a County Director can't make a meeting, this form would be easy to fill out and submit to keep everyone informed about that county's activity. There was discussion and Dave Black agreed to "make it pretty."

The next ICS meeting was set for Monday, December 11, 2000 at 7:30 PM in Beech Grove, Indiana at the Noe Condo.

Meeting adjourned at 9:31 PM.

Submitted by James Adams, Secretary

[Secretary's Note: These meeting minutes were approved by the membership at the December 11, 2000 meeting.]