

## **Minutes**

TNPS Annual Meeting

Saturday, January 19, 2019

Present: Suzy Askew, Bettina Ault, Louise Gregory, Karen Hill, Dennis Horn, Bart Jones, Larry Pounds, Susan Sweetser

Guest: Allen Sweetser

Absent: Michelle Haynes, Allen Trently

## **Old Business**

### **Tennessee Plant Conservation Alliance (Cooper Breeden)**

This proposed group is based on New England and Georgia plant conservation projects.

There will be a meeting on 1/29/2019 at Austin Peay.

Goals: Establish priorities, seed banking, conservation. Goal is 20 projects. Seed money?

Donations can be made to Austin Peay Foundation; earmark TPCA

### **Plant Atlas Update**

Joey Shaw provided an update via e-mail

### **Treasurer's Report**

Our current balance is +35,389.34

We have finished funding for the plant atlas

Karen has looked extensively but hasn't been able to find evidence the check for 2014 royalties from the field guide was deposited

Karen pointed out that we need to issue a 1099 for any service provider billed over \$600.00

Karen has acquired a lockbox for our important documents.

Karen discovered that the organization is missing its Articles of Incorporation. She inquired of the Secretary of State and received a letter confirming that a letter of determination was sent to us. Our application must be available to the public.

## **Website**

The price for a new website will be \$2400 (this is a good price); deposit is \$1200. Maintenance will be \$605.00 per year. It offers better integration with social media and a blog where we can upload trip reports. They offer training for 2-3 people. We got a preview.

## **New Business**

Tennessee lichen book (Tennessee Press) – the group approved a \$1000 donation

New board member nominations: Suzy Askew, Bettina Ault, Allen Trently (vice president)

Sitting members: Dennis/Larry/Susan renewed for two more years; Louise/Michelle/Bart will be up for renewal next year

Education Outreach – Nothing new

Wild Ones – Susan and Michelle are going to speak

## **Field Trips/Events**

2/28-3/3 Lawn and Garden Show, Fairgrounds, Nashville

4/6 Shakerag Hollow (Dennis Horn)

6/1 AEDC orchids, maybe May Prairie (Dennis Horn)

6/1 Chickasaw (Claude Bailey)

7/22 May Prairie to look for snowy orchid (Dennis Horn)

Look Rock – native lily of the valley (Allen and Susan Sweetser)

8/11 Prairie bioblitz at Farm community (Dwayne Estes) (raindate 8/18)

Fieldtrip PDF will be out soon

## **Annual Meeting**

July 12-14 at Reelfoot Lake at the visitor center

Boats are reserved for cruise to look for species from the water

Bart is looking into lodging options; lodging and meals will be on our own

## **Next Meeting**

Tentative date for next meeting Saturday May 18 at 11 AM; details on place forthcoming

