

Nomenus Building Committee

Former Minutes

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To join a meeting, phone **415 762-9988** or load Zoom onto your computer at zoom.us;
our meeting id is **541 866 2678**, password 2678.

[Projects list](#)

[Committee role, function, charter](#) (Oct '19 draft)

[Barn roof](#) document and [folder of info](#)

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Agenda items: Meeting times/Tweet. Adjoining parcel. New residence. Greenhouse. Wheelchair access. Dear House?

Accessibility House / bunkhouse / residence ideas. Great Circle (ideas, budget, discussion). Energy efficiency & use.

Sodom road repair

Theresa roof repair

Next meeting.

Downtown Tree removal

Future agenda topics: THC porches. accessible outhouse. master plan / resident cabins. Garden House bath. Usable shitter. Future projects.

Gathering report. Winter prep: Barn roof, Garden House bathroom, Theresa porch roof. starting a master plan. big projects (resident cabins), bridge side rails, driveway, tent.

if time: Dear House sign.

Old Agenda Items:

Report: bridge, THC porches. Dear House (Len call). County forest flagging. Big propane tanks. Water system and conservation (Beulah, THC, well/water table, rainwater). Budget 2014-15.. Barn plumbing, sinks, pot boiler, faucet.

Resident cabin (design). Dear House. Outhouse project. Repair plans (THC decks, bridge). Cleaning Beulah. Water system, conservation, and drought.

Future plans: Barn roof, THC driveway, priorities, projects list, fundraising.

timeline and plans: [Project List](#), bath-house design, residence?, next Naraya cabins.
Project priorities part 2. Water system (conservation, reserve; showers, tanks, pumps)

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Oct 19, 2022 7pm (1hr)

Rula (facil), Anan O'Miss, Happy Worker, Len, Jingles/Jim, Mugwort (minutes); Rand.

Special short meeting with Communications, about proposed move of office to Juniper.

Heavy smoke in Seattle and Portland, from local wildfires. Clean air at Wolf Creek.
Jingles, Soda Pop, Stella Maris are going down for pre-Samhain work party.

Rula: We need a lockable office space; shall we agree on that? Separate from gatherings and visitors -- Starlink equipment to protect, keep our records separate. (Many docs have only one copy.) Also lock up vehicle keys, credit cards, money.

MW: I've gone through the Crow's Nest office a lot; not much stuff that needs to be locked up. Papers from Halston, credit cards, cash box, keys -- a lockable 2-drawer file cabinet would be plenty.

HW: Favor a dedicated office. I saw many (15) boxes that need to be gone through, to scan or see if they're worth going through. Some were getting cut up for crafts. We have little need for indoor space. Starlink base needs a climate-controlled space. Try it for one year.

Anan: I like a one-year trial. Every time stuff gets moved, things get lost. Put them in one, locked space. Archivists may do a 1-week spring retreat. Starlink needs climate control. Juniper's close enough to Garden House to provide WiFi. Mesh network would need a place for equipment.

Jingles: Need a master plan; try it for a year. Avoid people messing with Starlink.

Rand: I'm uploading video of the files I moved to Juniper from Crow's Nest; had thought Communications made a decision. Starlink is wired there.

Rula: We've historically not given adequate space for Zoom meetings. We only have one computer. Should have a link in GH for meetings, and a sep land computer for land business, in separate spaces. 2-drawer locking cabinet won't do, with all the traffic. We need an office space, with communications gear, files, someplace safe. Even a locked file cabinet isn't safe. Starlink equipment esp needs protection (\$, function).

MW: Last time the office was a locked cabin, it became a little-used expensive moop closet. Juniper won't keep a stable temperature if it goes days without use.

HW: We've moved the office repeatedly; Juniper was built without consent, move to Crow's Nest was announced after the fact. Looking forward, what's the best use of that space? Well-insulated and shaded; high temps are my greatest concern for Starlink. Do we need an office that people go into often? Esp for the next year.

Rula: Juniper was built by Izz, Jamie ~2005, as an office space. It wasn't locked for much of that time; things got placed in there. Juniper is small, 1 person, not designed to be residential. Alternatives that've been proposed are useful for those with mobility needs (Altairia, 13). Juniper now has all those boxes in it. Let's amend the proposal to include Juniper as office til Sept '23 GC, Building to revisit then.

MW: History correction: residents brought the plan to shift office and Crow's Nest to July '18 CoCo, *before* doing it; no discussion or objections. We should inform CoCo. I'll stand aside on this move; ties up a quiet,

heatable space close to Garden House, for a little-used space. I believe we have a second computer.

Rula: CoCo no longer makes those decisions.

HW: Communications decided rather than Building, as it was a question of use rather than buildings.

Len: I gather there's a lot of stuff in Juniper; we'll need to move the bed somewhere. Front door has a big padlock; who has the key?

HW: Diamond knows where the key is. I'll work with others to arrange setting up that office space.

Ru: I'll talk to Diamond, Catherine as well.

Jingles; I go down with Soda Pop 24th; will talk with Len about driveway grading.

Move the office to Juniper, with door locked, to revisit again in Building cmte Sept 2023. (s/a: Mugwort)

Ru: Let's buy a decent office computer. (refer to communications)

MW: Suggest Free Geek, and let's avoid hard drives. (Temp variations.)

Ru: Need to set up Garden House so people can join meetings.

Starlink: Long 150' cable was used. Happy Worker rerouted it in his recent stop-over.

Oct 10, 2022 7pm

Catherine, Jim/Jingles, Mugwort (minutes), Len; Diamond

The very first meeting using Starlink! (Installed today, it's still getting itself set up, mapping obstructions.)

Communications meets at the same time as us today.

Leaves are starting to fall to the ground; no colors yet.

THC driveway: Len: Zachary (across the road, owns excavation co) came down last month. Gave an estimate \$10k-something (in about 8 parts, sent to Catherine) and new ideas. Prefers to not use existing road; cut into the meadow a bit. Trench above the road, with culverts to drain at the old car. About 6 culverts.

Chris came by recently, says his father gathered arrowheads here. Stan, his father, did our gravelling 30y ago. Len prefers Chris. Chris also would like to re-route, about 20' in from existing; better for water flow off the hill. Using existing road, they'd need to level off and fill in. About 3-4 culverts. Bid pending.

3 options: parking to old car; repair access to Beltane meadow (washed out; fill in, culvert); around Theresa (both want to work at THC where water comes down hill, divert from driveway). Z wants a turnaround at THC. Len will reformat the two bids, so easy to compare. Both have 14' graders. Balance (was here for 2 winters) was here for Zachary's visit, described water flows. Both est's include cutting ~5 trees.

Jim: I've got much grading experience; haven't seen the water flows up there. \$10k seems steep; so many culverts?? Might fill in what we have, fill with gravel; does it need grading?

Cath: Surprised by number of culverts. Moving into the meadow makes me flinch.

MW: Next step: see their bids and details, do a land walk.

Jim: I'll be there for next work party.

Cath: Damage is mostly from big truck in mud, rather than water flow. Work party Oct 24th before Samhain. Note that electric and water run under the driveway!

Starlink: Diamond: Equipment arrived today; Rand installed on vision garden power pole, gear is in Juniper which becomes the office, with a locked door. Juniper's bed moves to Altaira ground level. Move from

Juniper to Crow's Nest wasn't consented to.

MW: Leroy and I had discussed perhaps setting up a mini-office to the right of Altairia. Surprised; there's been no discussion of moving into Juniper. RH Alt doesn't drop us one housing space.

Len: Office worked better in Altaira RH, rather than when it was in Juniper. Easily wired, accessible.

MW will talk with Rand.

Water system: Len: Pollen tried to water garden, pressure failed after ~2 min. Going on 2-3 months. THC low. Diamond reports no change; pressure initially, then falls. Pump is ~82lb. Kitchen water flows great, so does Barn! Showers flow poorly. Garden line has been severed 3x in recent years.

Cath: Diamond and I worked on. Couldn't run garden and shower at the same time. (Diamond: still like that.) Check the valves again, near Beulah. Maybe silt in valves?

Diamond: Maybe raise pressure? Sometimes at 76.

MW: Potentially, Barn might be on the old potable line, with garden on the old dual-use line, so I suspect the crossover connection! (crossover valve or check valve.)

Cath: I'd like to put pressure reg at GH HW tank, and Barn HW tank. Garnet originally turned down the pressure to protect those HW heaters. (MW: Barn HW Bosch 1050ES manual says max 150psi; shuts off if too high. Same for Rheem.) Diamond: GH is Rheem.

MW: We may need to plan on water system replacement; seems on its last legs.

Catherine: Master plan first, if possible.

Len: Suggest pressure gauges at the end of major lines. I have some with faucet threads, will bring.

Jim: See which lines drop when faucet opens on another line, to narrow down issue.

Subaru: MW: Leroy reports we're paying >\$100/mo for ins, so let's change over title soon.

Jim: I looked at it, would like to sit in it again next time. Will winterize it, set so nobody can drive.

Diamond: There's a need to get people around on the land, access needs. It's been useful for moving wood piles. I'm fine with selling it to get fixed up. We use her to get to post office, food bank each week.

Jim: Balance was going to try to find the title.

Diamond: I heard it was in one of the Halston boxes; will check there again.

We agree to sell the Subaru to Jim for \$100.

New Growth Village: Len: Last time I was there, the wood geodesic dome was caved in, under a tarp.

Rand told me he kicked it and it fell over. We should let the dome owners know; do they want it back?

Cat: I recc abandoning it; poorly built, in bad shape. Leroy left it up to PoC council to decide what to do with it. I'll update Green One.

Diamond: The library/tea house (2-floor thing) is mildewed, rotting.

Len: A nice woodstove is rusting outside it. (Let's move it to safety!)

Theresa: Cath: I'd like to fix up the kitchen there, perhaps for a caretaker. We've been working on it on and off.

MW: Hot water's been off since one leg of the 220V cross-meadow power feed failed, years ago.

Catherine: Might be able to find the junction boxes now.

Len: That heater's from ~2002.

Rats:

Len: I brought a bucket rat trap, which vanished.

Diamond: I plan to empty Theresa kitchen. Bought a fridge/freezer, and floor tiles.

Catherine: Theresa was full of rat droppings: on the beds.

Barn pantry shelves: Cath: We need a kitchen focalizer; maybe Stella? She'll buy shelving. Not keen to move the dry fridges back there. Get rid of 2 unused freezers (dry storage now).

Diamond: I think about possibilities for elegant event cooking. Food waste is big problem! Heat travels from Love Lounge into the pantry. There's lots of expired dry goods!

Let's put a wall between Pantry and Love Lounge.

Winterizing / work party:

Catherine: Start the process before Samhain. Our work party M/24-, maybe along with Gath and Forestry.

After Samhain: drain showers (incl remove shower heads), drain Barn, shift laundry.

Washing machine in pumphouse: agitator doesn't move. Len: It might need a cap to hold it down; I'll look at it. Pumphouse is full of bedding, etc. Refer bedding to Gathering cmte!

Next: Sunday, Nov 6.

Sept 4, 2022 7pm

Catherine, Jim, Mugwort (minutes), Len; Garnet

Another successful **work party!** (see below) Catherine, Hunny Bear, Antonio, Reeder, Marcus, Dave, Pollen, Lowell, Prascilla, Leo, Bio, Jim Anderson, and Soda Pop.

THC valves are just uphill from the faucet at Beulah; 2 valves in series, not buried, no freeze protected! Line used to continue uphill, is cut off there.

Maintenance Mavens: MW and Rula were going to draft a job description. Nothing happened yet. Jim offers to help! There's a doc with a draft of all the different roles.

Project list: Stella asked for shelves in the pantry. Catherine added Theresa gutter; organizing of the Blue Box;

Catherine: I sometimes do repairs not on the list; ok? (We support that.)

Sage, Cedar, Blue Box have power supplies that aren't well-protected; shall we run them through the air?

Catherine will explore.

Garden House Ancestor Room top window: Catherine closed it up with insulation, not openable. Garnet: Thanks for that; the old window was awesome, but also a bad design. Catherine wants to build a bat box on the outside. (We like it.)

Subaru: Catherine: The salvage yard offered \$75 if we have title, but it would cost that to get title. MW: Try to sell in Portland? We could drive it there; I drove from Grants Pass. Jim: I'm a mechanic, have worked on Subarus, could pay \$100 for it now, taking possession later in the year. MW: Sounds generous to me! Cath: Suggest looking at it in person.

Great Circle: Any proposals? THC drive might be \$5k; do we need to ask GC for further permission?

THC drive: Catherine: Previous guy looked at it on Google map; suggested 2 culverts, 5 truckloads gravel, rough bid \$5-6k. Important to do! Let's go ahead and approve. Garnet: He did Len's road; I've seen it, he did an awesome job. Used cheaper, overside gravel. Len's a tough customer. MW: Yes, let's do it. First give an on-site evaluation to locate culverts. It's needed for our fire-fighting, emergencies, whoever lives there. Cath will chat with Len, look into culverts, talk to CFO Leroy. *We approve, subject to whether we have budget authority.*

Cath: Only other big project I see is **water system valves**. MW: Recall we still need to test for algae! Jim: I'll ask friends who have water-testing equipment and expertise, who might be able to do it free (college test).

Garnet: We tested last year for live organisms. (Grants Pass Water Lab)

MW: Let's record **locations** of valves, etc; distance from a big landmark (e.g., driveway), and get lat/long from iPhone compass app.

C: Faucet is dripping a lot at the firepit. Garnet will put a shutoff on the outlet.

C: There are a lot of water leaks on the land!

Reeder's vehicle: Cath: They're getting mileage reimbursement, retroactive. They ask for financial assistance with repairs to it. Total \$600, less mileage \$215, so about \$400. Shall we do that as an expression of thanks? Garnet: I may have spare wheels and tires for them. They do a lot of dump runs. I'm available to look at the truck. MW: Mileage was just for dump runs; there prob have been Grants Pass runs as well.

We give Reeder \$400 towards vehicle costs, as thanks for their work and use of the vehicle.

Work party: C: Hard to fit, given Taint/Pendulum/GC.

Next: Monday, Oct 10 (Indigenous People's Day). The day after CoCo; avoids conflict with Great Circle the weekend before.

Work party report (August), by Catherine:

We got the water restored to THC. Happily that was just the discovery of valves being turned off. Always happy with a simple solution.

We put in a lot of time on Teresa.

The rotting plywood tops on the deck were removed, replaced with 2x6s and the old decking was stained along with the outer deck. On the porch roof we striped it of shingles, replaced the last two feet of rotting plywood decking, spliced in repairs on two of the rafters, replaced the 2x4 header with 2x6, reinforced the support posts, replaced the fascia board, added flashing all around and new rolled roofing. We also reinforced the steps, moved the railing to the left side and stained it as well. Much of the lumber used was salvaged from other projects. Gutters on the list to do later.

Stripped and replaced Juniper roof which was damaged in a recent storm.

Speaking of storms, the center pole of the Dodeck was damaged as well. It was replaced and the Dodeck put back up. We also finished reinforcing the last six support poles.

The Holodeck was painted with deck paint and Kermit deck and steps also got a coat of stain.

We started to work on the ramp to Cedar which has rotted out at the base but ran out of time, so I put in a temporary plywood board to stabilize it for now.

The septic riser was put in.

We redid the GH kitchen plumbing, since the valves would not shut off and pipe was brittle then added a much needed outdoor faucet there. There is a plan to cover it with a box for extra protection from the elements and close up that area to entry by rodents.

The Vision Garden and the Spiral Meadow were weed wacked and beautified.
Garnet spent some time filling up the hole left by the removal of the green house in Shitter triangle.
Many thanks for folks who showed up for camo or long term appearances.
Hunny Bear, Antonio, Reeder, Marcus, Dave, Pollen, Lowell, Prascilla, Leo, Bio, Jim Anderson, Soda Pop and myself.
Photos in no particular order. Maybe someone can tell me how to make that happen.
<https://photos.app.goo.gl/YqnNubbGnxcLZzhH8>

Aug 7, 2022 7pm

Catherine Ti, Rula, Mugwort (minutes), Len, Jim (James A, new), Boondok (here from Bylaws), Garnet, later Jaiden

Land folks haven't called in, though we expected them.
Jim's been following email, eager to get involved. (Has experience with construction, heavy equipment)

Another bout of hot weather.
QOTD's: If you're going to breathe hard, turn on your video!
Excellent design is invisible.

Boondok gives a presentation on **Bylaws** committee:
Committee is Pith, HW, Snaxs, Murray, Lore, Honey Bear, Boondok.
We're going to propose bylaws to revise our structure and guidance. Thus far, doing diagnosis and analysis; asked members 3 questions (what we're proudest of, what Nomenus does well, what we do poorly).
Proud: still around, financially accessible
Well: values,
Poorly: follow-through, vulnerable to disruption, continuity, communications with members, relationship with larger community, models of land community
Now asking ourselves the basics: what is Nomenus responsible for? Hoping to build a solid structure for those. 7 areas: cultures, values, spirit and heart; administration (bills, legalities); supporting, encouraging gatherings; communication and coordination; tending the land; member relations; unclear role in providing sanctuary. (See [draft document](#) with this list.)
Next steps: contacting every circle, plus members and Facebook; August 2-day session will assemble responses, formulate proposals, bring them to the wider community, develop for Great Circle.
Most organizations have a Policies and Procedures document, separate from bylaws, less formal and legal, doesn't need government involvement when edited.

(... minutes-taker lost connection ...)

Rula: How get people with energy at gatherings involved in maintenance, needs of the land?

B: Please send me email; see links to our questions in recent email.

Garnet's been working on **projects** we didn't know about.

G: **Well:** I noticed during gathering the **pressure** was 80psi; typical is 30-50. Hear pulses/thumping at the pumphouse, which is the soundings. I adjusted the mechanical setting to 50..72; was 72..83. Quinn last maintained in 2013. Could get an electrician to look at it, or maybe Quinn? There's an electronic relay we could replace.

Cat: Maybe 80 psi was due to uphill Theresa; typ water pressure is 50-70.

Len: I looked at the well a couple of weeks ago, when fixing the gas drier. Depth meter (from Mugwort) working well. Agree with C that we need more pressure gauges: Theresa and by the Barn.

MW: Yes, pressure was set due to Theresa. Someday I'd like to upgrade the system, including a booster pump for Theresa. Why electrician or relays; is something broken?

Garnet: I boosted pressure tank air to match 45, written on the side. I'm happy to add gauges elsewhere.

Rula: Concern about long-term effects of high pressure; let's get a booster for Theresa. No sign water heaters, etc have been harmed by 80 psi.

MW: Let's talk about plumbing redesign sometime. Importance of notifying committee of changes like this ahead of time, to solicit input and get information.

Jim: Could reduce pressure with a regulator; that protects against line breaks.

Catherine: Yes, need to let us know first. OK with that?

G: Agree I shouldn't discussed it first.

(If there's no water at Theresa, G will raise the pump pressure.)

G: I'm not convinced the septic system is fine, but many thing it's ok. Window was also impetuous; wanted to install plexiglass that could be openable. Opening it immediately created a big draft. Next time, I can do research and then contact Bldg. I encouraged 3Raven to come, thinking it would be okay, I was encouraged to think that. Stories going around that aren't pertinent.

Septic: MW: dug?

G: Tank hole, for riser, is still there. Distribution box, maybe a large tank, not dug up yet. Shall we dig it up, see if it's working right? Does it have a hatch? If there are roots, could twist them and pull them out. Avoid a \$3000 job with tractors.

Rula: Should only have grasses above leach lines: shallow-rooted plants, little disturbance and activity to avoid compaction. If they were backing up, we'd have wet areas in the leach field. Designed to last the life of the septic.

MW: No sign of flow problems in the outlet; why look for trouble? We should remove the blackberry brambles when they're not needed by nesting wildlife.

Jim: I used to install septic systems; distrib box is just for distribution. Liquids all flow into the field.

C: Sounds like we want to leave the distribution field as is.

G: Agree.

Window:

Cath: South-facing; upstairs has archival things. Maybe make it solid, to reduce light? It's the triangular window, up in the peak over the altar.

Garnet: we built a frame from 2x6's. Plexiglas. Let it hinge open against a chain, with a cleat to hold it shut.

MW: Old window still there?

Garnet: Glass broke.

Len: Before pictures would have been nice.

MW: Make sure it doesn't let in rain when open. We're committed now. Next time, ask first.

Garnet will complete.

Theresa: C: Front door threshold. kitchen switch has a short. Porch decking/floor is bad, rotting at both ends. Talked to Sierra about porch roof; I'd like to do more preservation/repair, some rafters are still sound. It's a level flat roof, so needs tar and flashing rather than shingles; needs a strong beam down the middle. Prob need to replace all decking. Posts may be something we can keep.

Rula: Yes, let's keep what we can.

MW: Same. Keep what you think is good.

C: I'll go down this month. Maybe Jim, others to help. Need to finish DoDeck supports.

Kitchen switch just needs replacement; flips a few times before switching.

THC driveway: C: Let's get rock, for emergency access. G: Everic did some work on culvert near Theresa, maybe a second. Tractor could move earth around, to drain; \$800-1200? C: Also rock. By next mtg, I'll pull together a proposal with costs. R: Dig a trench on the uphill side for drainage, with culverts to drain at each low spot. Plus rock. G: Volunteers could dig culverts, to reduce work for tractor? Len: **s been graveling; he retired, but there are a couple of new guys at Glendale quarry. I'll call them; my driveway needs gravel, too. Last year was \$268 for 10yd of 1"- crushed; double this year? (I'm working to get soaker hose around Grandmother Maple.)

Propane dryer is working, thanks to Len! At C's request, for when Barn is closed for winter.

Jim: I can operate equipment: graders, culverts.

C: Think about **winterizing**: valves, pipes. Summer Guiding Circle asked us to come up with a job description for **maintenance mavens**. Volunteers to write it up? Rula, MW will work on it.

Boondok: Identify their liaison, who's responsible to who? There's a doc with basic questions:

Specific Responsibilities:

Participate in periodic meetings with Guiding Circle.

Stay in consultation with point people off land related to your role.

Liaison/Support (with who and how):

With Building Committee

Forestry Comm???

NOT responsible for:

Visitors policy: MW: We should clarify to ensure Garnet, as our rep, is clear on the policy now.

Garnet: The setup now is clear; Guiding Circle approves visitors. Today I phoned, no answer, was coming to work on the pump; happened to get the gate code from Feral in the driveway. C: Garnet and I discussed this before the meeting, clarified now.

Len: Why did the **gate code** change?

C: Garnet needs to get new code when changed. MW: Agreed. We share gate with neighbors, so many reasons it could change.

Len: On the land now? G: Feral, Reeder?, Diamond, August 8 Moons.

Boondok: Guiding Circle asked land to change the code periodically, but we don't always hear when that happens.

Len: Who does the neighbor coordinate code changes with?

Next: Sept 4

Topics: THC driveway. Project list. Discuss plumbing when? Winterizing.

June 26, 2022 7pm

Catherine(facil), Len (and birds), Mugwort (minutes), Rula

Wolf Creek: Reeder, Garnet; Andromeda (back from Shasta)

Hot weather in Oregon.

Land (other than septic, Subaru):

Water system: two risers near Grandmother Maple were damaged when someone came in to mow fire-breaks, at Summer Solstice. (One had a hose bib, the other was short.) Garnet repaired them. Water was off for 5 days.

Mowing person has a tool where he could cut off the blackberry brambles. He's the guy who felled trees.

Project list: Reeder: let's add: Greenhouse rennovate (needs cover), fix its drip line. (For forestry: Ridge between sun altar and the meadow, from Deer House to THC, has a lot of dangerous forst debris.) Theresa kitchen needs repair: floor supports and flooring, kitchen door needs trimming. Halston's roof is a rat party; need to clear out the nests.

Septic: ((insert summary from email))

Len: I got to land 9am Friday; Jim's Septic was there, pumped about 20 min, rinsed. Bucket of water into toilet didn't pass through, no sound at the tank. He pulled about 40# of blackberry roots out of the tank; he thinks they're prob in the leach field, prob what clogged the input line. He has a 100' snake with a claw cutter head, but they can't do that due to insurance.

Reeder: They seemed to talk down to us, homophobic. Lid is off. Now that the water's back on, we haven't tried running lots of water. Just over 50' from Flush, so recc rent a 75' snake.

Garnet: There was a big mass of blackberry from the tank; fibrous mass coming from the inline pipe. I pulled a lot of it out; a snake 12' long, 2+" wide. When I pulled it out, a flood of water came thundering down! I saw no roots on the tank walls -- just emerging from the input line.

Nobody's tried flushing the toilet since then.

MW: Let's test the toilet asap, but rent an adequate rooter and clean it out either way.

Rula: Will need to replace that pipe; it's been intruded by roots, so will be a continued problem.

Cath: Grasses also can do that. Most rooters are electric; power supply is an issue.

Len: When installed? I contested their \$800 bill.

Rula: Flush installed ~'99; last pumped '13.

MW: Let's clear roots, plan on future replacement.

Andromeda: I flushed just now, it flowed normally!

Garnet: Blackberries are nowhere near Flush. I think the roots were all internal to the pipe, from a seed. I have an electric weed whacker that could take out those brambles.

MW: Sounds like clog was near the tank, and has been resolved! For the next time we're trenching, we should replace the inlet line (and give it a good cleanout port). Catherine will Top the riser next week. Let's encourage Garnet to take out the brambles.

Len: Don't take them out: people will drive over there; blackberries give bird nesting area. Leach field is

delicate!

Cath: Discuss further. Eventually will need to take out that patch

MW: I plan to mark the tank and leach field with tall metal fence posts.

Rula: Why are there vehicles on the land off-road? It would take a vehicle to remove brambles.

Land vehicle

Subaru Outback.

MW: Engine prob not repairable; in bad shape 2y ago, went to Medford with no oil on the dipstick. I recc we sell it for parts. Balance says tires are worth \$300. Let's get tire info and odo reading, and call around to scrap shops.

Reeder: Also could replace the engine, within our \$2000 budget.

Garnet: I drive old cars gently; last time, it didn't want to go up the pass to GP; max 35-40 mph, about 2 years ago. We don't need a car here. We offer gas \$ for town trips.

Cath: Sell it. In Portland, any car gets \$800+ for parts. Someone to call around?

MW: I can call the mechanic, get odo reading; will ask Balance about the tires.

Cath: Also ask him for recc's where to sell it. I'll call salvage yards.

Reeder: Mech said a friend of his got call from a dealer, seeking a used car.

Len: \$400 min at junkyards here, a year ago.

We agree to sell the Subaru.

Q: Who has the title? Is it in our name? Mawma Bear's? Catherine looks into VIN.

Garnet

Cath: Past suggestion to give him Volunteer Appreciation funds.

MW: Let's start with buying and loaning a cellphone, if there's a carrier that gets good coverage locally. (It's hard to reach him by only landlines.)

Garnet: I fix things you don't hear about. My cellphone doesn't work well; WiFi is consistent, so I can check email.

Cath: I propose \$150 appreciation for work on HW heater, etc. Sorry Garnet sometimes doesn't feel appreciated.

Approved. (Cath calls Leroy)

MW: Let's find out what carriers have good local coverage.

Carriers: Cath, Reeder: Verizon is good on the land.

Road to THC

Cath: Months back, we'd approved rock all the way up to Theresa.

Rula: THC drive gets lots of erosion; streams cross it; an old logging road, let's use a different route.

MW: Minutes show no decision yea or nay or repair to that drive. We agreed to get gravel.

Reeder: THC drive was worked on Beltane: level a bit, culverts added, a big pipe at the top with gravel on top. All gravel was used up. There are many sacred plants (St John's Wort) growing along it, a fire hazard for the cars. Maybe relocate the driveway to follow the path from Garden House.

Garnet: drive has been there a long time, could level it with a tractor.

Rula: ask Cath, MW to take pictures of the driveway when there. Could level it, put a ditch on the uphill side, use the new culverts.

Cath: Someone with a big truck used it a lot in rainy weather, developed huge ruts. Grade, rock. Let's keep the road we have, rather than build new. The last time, it wasn't super expensive to grade it; call them for a price?

MW: Over 30 years, it usually wasn't a big issue. yes to pictures and price estimate.

Cath: Who did the grading recently?

Rula: asks Balance.

Len: S&K Excavation put down the rock, for the last 15 years. (the late Stan and his son Kris) They work with Len.

Weed eaters

Garnet bought a \$200 Makita battery unit; his, thus far.

Len just overhauled a mower, bringing it back to the land.

Theresa porch roof

Cath: it's the wrong slope for shingles; no flashing on the edges, so water drips down and rots the beams.

Might replace the worst beams, put down tar paper and flashing for a temporary fix.

Reeder: Fix at SGRF? Porch also needs work (support on one side). Make a priority; has been on the list a long time.

Cath: I'll be there ahead of time, can assess.

Rula: Whole thing needs replacement; more than a gathering's likely to be able to do. Draw up plans, supplies. Give it its own work party; could be 3-4 day project. Also fix the porch deck and supports.

MW: Ranger Sierra drew up plans and parts list for complete replacement; don't know where that is.

Maintenance Manuals

Cath gave Reeder a tour of the water system. Let's create documentation.

MW: What format, how not get lost? Historically, Google Docs haven't gotten used and updated at the land; is that Internet bandwidth, access to computers, or cultural? Notebooks and binders get lost.

Cath: I find it hard to locate them, thus far.

Reeder: There are random instruction manuals in the crow's nest. I'm willing to work on assembling something: The Waterworks District. I found a doc with firm description of land roles.

Cath: needs maps (valve locations), instructions (ongoing maintenance -- GH HW is monthly).

Len: I looked for manuals in Crow's Nest, found some, in the Box's file cabinet. Every time I make a map, it disappears; there was one in the Box for 15yr. We need water maps.

MW: Let's draw up a basic map at SGRF; copy, and scan to the Workspace.

June 5, 2022 6pm

Catherine, Mugwort (minutes), Len, Lycan, Rula; later Keeper, Lil Spoon, Mother Trembling Horn, Jim (at the end)

Wolf Creek: Garnet, Pith

Catherine sent 3 emails to the list (agenda, work week report); not received! (Google Groups bounced for pictures too large; that was caught in C's spam filter.)

See work-week report. Also C's suggested changes to the project doc **

Lots of rain locally; things are green. Naraya of 40 people was cancelled, due to a wave of COVID.

Lycan will be away June 8-22.

Jim tried to sign up as a member about a month ago, hadn't heard back from the membership form. Wants to come help at the land, help with Bldg Cmte and projects. Catherine will coordinate with him.

Catherine did a lot of repairs on the DoDeck (which collapsed in the unseasonably-late snow before Beltane). Spent ~\$716 on DoDeck; see list of expenses in the agenda email; \$210 misc (paint, vice grips), \$84 shutter screens (They were all replaced), \$136 gas to GPass. SGRF was going to kick in something towards the DoDeck.

We approve reimbursing Catherine.

Lycan: C, Leroy and I spoke; Naraya was going to reimburse my mowing-trip fuel, so then Leroy was going to reimburse. *We approve reimbursement.*

Several Barn sinks don't have handles; fitted them with vice grips. One sink needs an entire new fixture. Garden House external steps: scraped clean, stained. Andromeda replaced door glass in 13. GH back porch deck cleaned, stained; also some picnic benches. Hope to do Holo Deck, steps and railings of Sage & Cedar. Catching mice at Theresa. Deep clean of Theresa kitchen. Fridge up there still leaks, may have an ice dam, at least has a container to catch leaking water.

Weed whackers: Garnet: Cricket took four in for estimates; no word. Wheeled one they don't have parts for. C: One needs a gasket in the gas cap; I didn't fit it locally. Wheeled one needs proper fuel. I asked Pollen (and Forestry) to take on resp of the weed whackers: training, maintenance. Service eval @\$25; Cricket's managing that. With luck, we'll have 6 working ones. There's a big need for training (diesel fuel!)

Vehicle: C: Sounds terrible; muffler? Reeder's made an appt for service in Medford. Oil change in May; otherwise, maint is unknown. I didn't see a log book. Who's going to manage this?

Kermit shutter is closed down: switched to the new slot then shut down; it's entirely full of shit on both sides! Cricket, Princessed declared it Full. MW: It was designed to not be shoveled until composted. So we're on Beezle.

Flush is down; 25' and then rented 50' snakes didn't fix it, using a new access point in the vent line. It works a little bit, until the pipe fills. Reeder willing to call Roto Rooter to clear it. Septic tank not located. Both toilets seem to work for a while, then they gurgle and stop flushing.

(Len: Might need to access the tank.) Rula: When was the tank pumped? MW: Between 2014 and 2019.

Garnet: It's been raining a lot, so water table may be high.

MW: I might be the only one out here's who's seen the tank open; can we do a video link-up? Cement tank lid is 6-12" below ground level.

Len: There was a stake with flag in 2009, when it was installed. I can locate it within 10'.

Rula: If roots have gotten into the pipe, we'll need to replace it.

Lycan: I'll be mowing there tomorrow, will look. Roto Rooter is for basic household clogs, not septic installation or diagnosis. Get the latter!

Len, Garnet offer to try to find and open the lid. Lycan updates Reeder not to call Roto.

Interested parties: Mugwort, Lycan, Catherine, Len, Garnet

PoC space: Catherine talking with Jainden, Lycan, and the Green One about use and repair of The Edge. Awaiting a PoC convo on the subject.

Lycan: PoC at Beltane were disheartened by how it was built; we can do better! I want to tear it down, build something beautiful and lasting that can have multiple uses for PoC. So much fire hazard with brambles, etc. We'll talk about it, including what uses we want. Avoid "reservation" pattern. Maybe a portable yurt?

Catherine: Structures should come down, as they weren't consensed to. (Lycan: yes.)

Rula: That location, on the main path, doesn't offer much seclusion.

Keeper: I've spoken to PoC who like that space and structures, as well as negative. Much effort went into it.

Len: In the 70s, land had two tipi's, one a PoC space (just W of the current labyrinth, which is a good spot).

Lil Spoon: When are the PoC council meetings? I haven't gotten email; there was a mtg at Beltane, but we haven't reached a consensus decision.

Lycan: Green One is convener. We want to include more PoC voices.

Mother Trembling Horn arrives: Beltane circle felt the council should include *all* the PoC faeries; want to clean up that area, but not tear down what's been built. Green One has a list of all who were there.

Garnet: the Edge wasn't consented for its original construction. The Cobb sauna was a labor of lodge at land meetings.

Driveway: C: work started on THC.

Forestry happened: fire barrels are full; big pile of Scotch Broom;

Maintenance mavens:

C: We'd decided there was a need for a general manager; what's the job description? Who's taking resp for land vehicle, shitters, land maint, grass mowing? When I was there, Feral Andromeda and Reeder were wondering what they should do.

Lil Spoon: Isn't that a CoCo matter?

MW: Bldg cmte is responsible for Maintenance Mavens. We have about 3 weeks until pre-SGRF work party. What's our plan until then?

C: Nobody's topping many of those things on-site. I'm there once a month. Hire a manager?

Garnet: I spent a lot of time on hot water at Beltane; it hadn't gotten regular maint. G1 suggested modest payment for that. Perhaps we would pay afterwards, for work done? I have expertise on car, road -- haven't been consulted on them. I have WiFi now; I'm reachable by email or in person.

MW: Let's communicate more, by the email list. For example, somebody on the list might know the vehicle's maintenance history.

Rula: Equipment and vehicle have sorta fallen in our laps, not by our decision yet. Garnet has knowledge, history, and expertise to do these things. Volunteer Appreciation fund is possible; we can propose to CoCo (which might delegate to us).

Lycan: Appreciated working with Garnet, including on the weed eaters! After so much email, it took us two just a few minutes to figure out someone put diesel fuel in a weed eater.

MW: Garnet as coordinator for maintenance from now? I don't see Garnet or Reeder on Bldg list.

Garnet: I'm not very reachable by phone; email works better. There's good WiFi here now.

Cat: I've had trouble reaching Garnet by email; can you be reachable, or let us know if that doesn't work?

Lycan: Communication's hard in Wolf Creek, by phone or whatever. Suggest Garnet stop by weekly; check messages there.

MW: Propose: *Designate Garnet as our interim maint coordinator; ask CoCo for access to Volunteer Appreciation funds; ask all on the land or doing projects (equipment, facilities) to use nomenus-building@googlegroups.com to share information and keep each other posted.*

Vehicles: There's a red Nissan from Reeder; it's only for the Wolf Creek area, not to Grants Pass. Nomenus has Subaru.

We extend to 8pm.

We change our meeting time back to 7pm.

Next meeting Sunday June 26.

SGRF work weeks starts 28th.

May 15, 2022 6pm

Catherine Ti (facil), Lycan, Rula, Mugwort (minutes); Len, Jaiden

Wolf Creek: Reeder, Feral Sky (viz), Lowell (viz)

Polycom at Wolf Creek isn't hearing well.

Reeder: Lived at the land a year; took some time away; back.

Feral Sky: Arrived at Beltane gathering.

Lowell: Arrived Beltane gathering, here for a week or so.

Rula: Huge wildfire (biggest in US) is 60mi away from home.

(Also on the land: Aleph lost car key. Creature.)

Summer Guiding Circle rep.

Mugwort, Lycan are already on the Circle.

Catherine: Let's pick someone with history, who knows the infrastructure.

Rula: Bldg is already well-represented, with two people. Too large gets clumsy. We could pick someone later if needed.

Catherine: We could designate one of them. Circle is mostly about who's on the land. We need our own way to pick people to go there for us.

MW: Work Parties are already committee-based; could clarify with Circle that this covers Work Projects, perhaps 1-2 days or people.

Lycan: Liked what Reeder wrote. Mentorship's a good thing.

We designate Lycan as our rep to Summer Guiding Circle.

Infrastructure support (between and during gatherings):

We tend to not find out when things break on the land; they also can't wait for us to meet.

MW: Email is an awkward way to make decisions. We didn't hear about the HW heater until well into the gathering. It looks like we didn't designate a liaison to Beltane, tho we knew Mugwort, Yellowstone, and Garnet would be there.

Reeder: Suggest the elder cabins be available for people coming to work on projects; this may not be clear to people.

Rula: Post contact info on the land, to be notified of incidents.

Catherine: A basic infrastructure manual; anybody there should have reviewed it. We need to compile that.

MW: How to get filled in with what's broken? (Ongoing, longstanding problem.) For example, it's a problem if Flush has clogged again. Perhaps a phone call every couple of days, to someone on the land?

Lycan: Rosette wants a liaison with our committee, for the mini-Naraya. Bldg should coord with Gath circle, to jointly identify a contact person. SGRF will have ample people who can do repairs, so ok. Off-gathering, have something by the phone telling people who to call/email.

Len: Should always have a responsible person on the land; keep an eye on everything, report if something's broken; like Balance did. Nobody in that role now.

Catherine: Ask Summer Guiding to arrange for someone on the land to always let us know.

MW: Designate a single number, on a 3x5, by the phone: "If something's broken, please call:"

Lycan: I could be the contact point. I've dealt with many crises and breakdowns.

Reeder: Someone's writing names in an address book. Would we call repair people?

Jaiden: I'm 20 minutes away in Azalea, so hope to figure out how to be helpful.

Post a card with Lycan's phone #, Mugwort as alternate, as someone to call if anything's broken.

How to streamline our process:

Catherine: **Weedeaters** are an example. Best process for a decision?

MW: mini-meetings?

Lycan: I spoke with Rosette; I'll mow for the Naraya in late May (my riding lawn mower). Will also cut fire breaks.

Cath: One weedeater works but leaks, one's broken, there's talk of buying a battery unit. Designate one person to decide? Preferably a hired Camp Ranger. In the meantime, involve only a few people.

Reeder: Maybe a budget for weed eaters (group process), with 1-2 people to decide the rest.

MW: Usually there are Caretakers.

Cath: We could name one, even fundraise and hire them.

Lycan: It's a big job; full-time. The person shouldn't deal with gatherings, visitors. It's hard that buildings are spread out so much. Nobody in particular is responsible for tools! We had a good Stihl weedeater. It's so far to Grants Pass to buy stuff.

Cath: Do we agree to consider a maintenance person as a serious option?

Len: Garnet knows the weedeaters well. Hard to pin him down. or Pollen, in Azalea.

(Nobody on this call knows if the broken weedeater is the wheeled one from Yellowstone.)

(MW: I'll get model info from him.)

Cath: Do we need weedeaters soon?

Reeder: Some here would use them if available; volunteers can do simple projects.

(Cath: I'll suggest small projects from the Bldg Cmte list.)

Creature: We're running out of gravel; need more.

Land status:

Len: Barn hot water went down just before Beltane gathering. Garnet maintained it; working now.

Flush is clogged again.

Neighbors hope to graze their animals on the meadow.

Reeder installed a culvert near THC.

Flush:

MW: When did it clog?

Len: I saw it a few days after Beltane; plunger sent water to the other toilet. Princess worked with me. I was going to bring down my 25' plumbing snake. The left side does flush, right doesn't. Probably the wrong thing got flushed. It's not a backed-up septic field; you can hear water run down.

Cath: I'll be down in late May.

to Guiding Circle: mini Work Parties for Bldg cmte approval? Availability of housing for us.

April was Great Circle

March 6, 2022 6pm

Catherine Ti, Mugwort, Yellowstone, Rula; Leroy

“Water, Power, Sanitation, Preparation for gatherings.”

Catherine stopped by the land in February. New bathroom window, a little plumbing, reviewed the project list. There's a water leak at Theresa; sink at Kermit is freeze-broken; neither had been shut off. Kermit shutoff is right there below it. Garden House water supply frozen, apparently didn't break; its shutoffs don't completely close.

Rula: Could we redo the plumbing so it doesn't freeze or need fussing with?

Catherine: Need a drain for the Barn and Flush.

Rula: There is a Winter shutdown list, which Tyra found on the old Wiki. MW: Also a Google doc; they should get merged.

Sump pump (Barn drain): Catherine: See email; on one pump, the wheel was stripped. The one installed at the work party stopped working. MW: We should get a macerating pump, due to all the debris. Rula: We once had one (what became of it?) Note we need a screen before the horse trough. Sewage pumps start about \$200 at Home Depot. *We approve purchase of a macerating pump, rather than a basic sump pump.* Rula will research and contact Balance.

Barn roof: Catherine: In my visit, it leaked in only two places. Rula: Some flaws in the roof are large; in the meantime, maybe use a gallon of roof patch.

[Project list:](#)

Cat: Eventually I'd like to post this to the community.

Cat did some reorganization, which is on the second tab.

Garden House: wood stove: Rula: stove door seal needs replacing. Cath: Firewood was out while I was there! * We need a sign with operating instructions for that wood stove. *

Plumbing: Many of our shutoff valves have failed or fail to turn off completely. (Both brass turn valves and pvc gate valves.) Did they need maintenance, or should we buy a different type?

THC drive: Rula: That's a bad route; cuts across a hill, lots of runoff. We might relocate it away from the hill.

Flush outdoor floor: Cat wants to put down green board, paver bricks (which she has), and mortar.

Meetings

Twice a month? Rula: Only if there's a work party.

Next is April 3, 6pm.

Work party

Cath goes down weekend of 26th.

Is anybody organizing the 18-20th work party? Is anybody going? Not that we know of; take it off the

calendar.

Dome

Leroy: The wooden frame at New Growth Village was partly donated by the fabric company (we paid \$500 for some of it); they're worried about rain damage, and have asked for it back. Officers are in favor. We're not using it now, don't have an agreed-upon location or a way to keep it safe and dry. *We approve returning the dome frame to Pacific Domes.*

Budget

Leroy: What do we need, for maintenance and improvement? What are the upcoming projects?

Cath: After this meeting, let's identify the things for this year.

Rula: I'll estimate costs if the rest mark the top projects.

Outdoor sinks

Leroy: SGRF had a plan: use the surplus s-s sinks, in front of the Barn, for outdoor dishwashing. We pulled them out from around the Blue Box. There's also a handwashing sink. Would go where the old sump tank was. They could be installed so can move inside Barn for winter. (Rula: Yes, please do.)

Cath: I have concerns about some of the sinks; work with Leroy on design.

Should handwashing use hot water? Tempering valve? Cold only? Solar?

Leroy: Mostly for dishwashing; handwashing is a bonus.

Eric/Evie stepped down from Building Committee in the last month.

Convener (Queen bee?) *We designate Catherine.*

Action items

Rula: Sewage pump and Balance. Cost est of top projects.

Cath, MW look at project list, identify this year's.

Leroy: return of dome frame

February 20, 2022 6pm

Eric/Evie, Mugwort, Catherine Ti, Yellowstone, Rula; Balance.

Cold weather coming!

Catherine's not staying long at WCK, due to the incoming snow storm.

Water is leaking from the ground at hose bib in front of THC.

Geodesic wooden dome at New Growth Village: Mugwort: it turns out the cover fabric (Sunbrella) had been ordered, and then order was canceled and refunded. Apparently there isn't a pending order with the (unknown) woman who was going to sew it. Probably we could re-order the fabric if we wanted.

Work party: Rula: We all were at January's work party, got a lot done. Barn drain system rebuilt, on the meadow side; electric dryer at Barn; Y'S reorganized the Box; Catherine put Cedar, Sage onto breakers from the outlet; mini-greenhouse deconstructed, material reclaimed, metal trash removed; Edge new steps, deck, added a side ramp; Catherine much water work (found shutoff valve to shower, fixed leaky Garden

House sink); shower repairs. Y'S cooked (Rula helped); we had a hot tub, fire, Miss Winter Creek pageant.

Barn sump pump is down; Eric, Balance will talk.

Work party plans: YS: Who can host? Dates? Change our mtg to 1st Sunday; that'd let us reflect right after each work party, be ready for coming CoCo. Perhaps twice a month?

We change to first Sundays.

If someone wants to do a project, does it depend if it's already on our list? MW: Generally bring to a meeting, but we can approve by email; more need to discuss if it's not something we've explicitly planned on. YS: What about dates other than the scheduled weekend? Balance: Scheduled time, for new people, generally. Rula: Should limit projects to the essential list. Folks will come along with other, fluffy stuff; we're in an early phase of doing projects. Depends on capacity of who's coming; e.g., don't let amateurs mess with our delicate plumbing. Go thru Bldg Cmte. Good intentions + rudimentary skills = a mess to clean up. MW: Allow for work on other weekends. Emphasize construction goes thru cmte; remind CoCo of that. Y'S: Summarize: *Our work-party weekends are Just for our agreed-on project(s).* (Land isn't necessarily closed to others during that time.) Different categories of work: some are small, harmless, don't need much supervision. Rula: *Work parties are for the projects we agreed to.*

What counts as a project we need to sign off on? Rula: I don't expect a whole lot of people wanting to do stuff. Cat: Identify a contact person. How easily can the thing be undone? MW: Whenever possible, even for experienced people, email our list as a clearinghouse for info. Balance: People for particular areas.

Anything affecting existing infrastructure (electr, plumbing), new structures, or changes to structures, needs Bldg sign-off. We'll post this on the Website. There's also room for our Land representatives to do or approve work, based on knowing the person's background.

Trenching

MW: Yellowstone has access to a hefy trenching machine. What trenching would be a priority to do this year before Summer? Edge power, Cedar/Sage power, Blue Box power.

Catherine: Water line to the Barn.

Y'S: Trencher is from Chas, who's amenable. Has to be towed from 6hr to the South. Maybe available in the Fall.

Barn roof: MW reports:

During January's work party, Rula, Leroy, and Mugwort took a closer look at the leaky Barn roof. It's worse than we thought.

Summary: The roof needs major repairs -- not as much as the original re-roofing, but still about a one-week project for a substantial crew with rented equipment. Before deciding to greatly improve the Barn kitchen, we suggest giving more thought to the prospect of a brand-new kitchen building; the Barn would stay a rough, multi-use space. (Eventually its roof would get fixed, but not right away.)

We observed:

* From the rear-center pole (the one with all the lights and switches) all the way to the front, substantial repairs are needed. (In that area, none of the seams in the metal roofing are on rafters; they hang in mid-air, coming apart.) The roof deck has to be removed, from that pole forward. With scaffolding or a cherry picker, install new 2x4 sisters or rafters (2x6?), aligned with the metal seams.

Re-install roofing.

- * There seems to be leakage wherever the clear skylight panels overlap. Many of those places have duct tape now; probably they need clear caulk, instead.

- * Mugwort heard that the skylight panels don't overlap sufficiently with the metal panels. If true, that might require getting a few more metal panels. This would shift the roofing seams, but they are already out of position, so there perhaps wouldn't be a huge impact on the rafter fix.

- * Roofing nails are pulling loose; we're not sure why, but it's important to understand before doing the other work.

- * The good news: roofing panels appear to be in good shape, with no extra holes; existing holes will be used again, this time with lumber below.

Rula: Agree Barn shouldn't be our planned kitchen, but we also need to fix the roof for other uses.

YS: No, to a new kitchen. It's a large community conversation; moving the hearth of gathering culture, it's all a dance. Everybody will want to be in the conversation. Original back-Barn design would have been a nightmare.

Balance; Clear panels are shaped differently (wiggles) than the metal ones. Perhaps set aside 2-3 months for Barn re-roofing, big task with many people.

MW: Agree Y'S not to dive into it, not our decision. Perhaps look towards arriving at agreement to emphasize discussion on a new kitchen; kitchen upgrades to emphasize what's portable to a new place.

Rula: Roof needs someone with experience; I'll reach out for volunteers, keep it moving. Propose we consider making Barn roof a major project for this year. MW: I'm not sure about priority of this vs others.

Project list on Google: Cat: A couple of years ago, some of us in Portland put together that list. It's been reorganized some. We should go over the list, identify priorities (some things are arbitrary or personal).

Who, how does it get updated? Need somebody to monitor changes. Let new people add to it.

Y'S: Let's review it for next meeting, try ranked voting. Post to the Website, a way to submit project ideas.

Rula: Limit who can edit; it easily gets messed up (careless sorting, it works differently than Excel). Let all view it.

Cat: Have an internal list, and then a suggestion box where anybody can add.

MW: Yes, limit edits; solicit project ideas. Visible to use and to Nomenus members.

Cat: Does that list cover our needs; does it have the right categories, etc? I'll prep the doc in about a week for your perusal.

Land maintenance team: Eric: What would it take for the land to be maintained?

Y'S: How fortify our infrastructure to not need as much maint? E.g., insulate buildings to avoid mold. (Most people can shut down their cabins for the winter.)

Rula: Having lived there, we need a core group of 3 year-round to be sustainable. People go to town or away. Plus scheduled visits. We'll never be able to go with nobody there -- security concerns. Yes, winterize buildings.

Cat: A Ranger Sierra to do maint and coordinate visits.

YS: Bigger conversation, outside our purview.

MW: There's been a request for our input. Bare minimum is 2 over Winter. If need be, we could set things up to be safe enough to have local coverage every day or two. With a backup Plan B, don't need to be in such a panic to approve any caretaker who shows up.

Balance: Could experiment, have a salaried person, but can we afford that? If nobody living here -- recall Muffin Top, where everything got scavenged and stolen. Windows would get broken.

YS: Things walk away as it is! I've donated power tools, now missing. We now have next-door neighbors, which improves our security. Paid work for shifts?

Eric: Yes, what do we need to do in order to be able to handle nobody there?

Approval of capital improvements: Cat: What's the process? There seemed to be one in the past. What comes to BC, CoCo, or GC?

Ru: Spending caps changed, we'll need to look up. Formerly \$250 cmte, I think Bldg \$500 now. CoCo approves <\$2k; more than that is GC, along with permanent changes (first introduce to CoCo).

MW: We recently have spent within Templekeeper spending, or for approved budget items.

Eric: What if it's paid for? MW, Rula: Still goes thru Bldg.

YS: Small project: new water heater for solar shower, that I'll buy?

MW: Solar shower was delegated to Carl and Eric, gets their approval.

Cat: What if someone donates materials and labor for a new smoking lounge? Eric's proposed new dishwashing and handwashing sinks?

Rula: Those sinks have been discussed in the past, so don't need to re-visit.

YS: The Barn drain redo?

MW: Ideally, that shouldn't had prior email. Sinks would be good to discuss ahead of time, in order to bring in past discussion. We need to learn how to discuss, briefly, without micro-managing.

Rula: Would those sinks be dish or handwashing? Let's discuss next mtg.

Eric: There are handwashing sinks already; SGRF offered last year to get portable dishwashing sinks (either build or buy), which wouldn't be permanent.

Tasks

MW: Update calendar, notify community. Adds project list to the minutes.

YS: Task policy, to Website and CoCo report.

Y'S drafts a questionnaire for proposing projects

All: Look at the project list; Catherine fluffs.

Next (March 6): Second meeting each month? How to propose projects, round two. Identify top-priority projects. Barn-front sinks. Next work-week projects. Geodesic frame at New Growth.

January 16, 2022

Agenda

at Wolf Creek: Balance, Rula, Catherine, Eric; Yellowstone
remotely: Mugwort, Diamond, Len

Everybody's vaxxed and tested. Eric has some in Portland. Everybody's getting tested before arrival. Weather's been good, land is clean, Diamond made dinner last night. Pollen went home for overnight. Diamond left yesterday for a family emergency.

The gate lock disappeared, day before yesterday! We're back on a numeric lock. (Ancient & Bren visited; Sky Nebulah left.)

Clothes dryer in Barn: Where should it go? (Someone gave us an electric; Balance did a preliminary

installation.) Mugwort will measure once he gets there, then shop for parts; est \$150. Eric: How do we make decisions like the dryer location? MW: Let's look at locations in person.

Reports: Rula: Forestry met; minutes will come out after this work party.

Decision-making: Eric: What's our structure for decisions? We don't want a dryer location to stretch out for months. What if I'm working on the roof, want to put in an ice cream machine? MW: Typically we decide in the meeting, possibly with discussion by email. Balance: Budget. Yellowstone: impact (eg, location). MW: we're reinventing the wheel. We've based it on cost, reversibility. YS: Can we empower people to do more projects? For example, I put in stairs down to the creek without process. Arrive at a series of questions that establish what approval is needed for a project. Cath: Sweat lodge and its shed. (MW: Bldg cmte discussed them.) Marcus doesn't know BC was involved. Write up a process list. Balance: Depends also on their history, background with us. Eric: Let's write that up. Rula: We get seduced by people's visions. Composting outhouse overwhelmed the builder, who had trouble asking for help. MW: We learned the hard way that designs must be signed off on by a real carpenter. Putting this in writing, it won't get taken so personally. Diamond: Bridge is another example. Eric: Items for the questionnaire: What's your history, have you done it before? Carpenter sign-off. YS: Also encourage people to take projects on. Diff form for a structure vs something small.

Cath: What about altars? Balance: Some altars are very personal. Worst example was left by the railroad tracks; we asked it to move onto the land, and before that a local burned it. No control so long as it's not impacting buildings, Grandmother Maple, etc. Check in with someone who's topping the Ritual cell or with me. We can't control everyone, but look to impact on communal space. Eric: What about chemicals, plastic bags? Rula: We don't know where all the altars are. Need some group who can decommission altars that're in disrepair; otherwise it's bad magic; have a feeding schedule to tend the altars. People would ignore if we ask them to check in before creating one. MW: We've not had problems with chemicals, bags. Ask folks to let us know: is your altar something to disintegrate naturally, or shall we tend it? Bldg Cmte if it's shed-sized or repurposes a building. YS: I built one my first visit, out in the woods. I'm working on a virtual-sanctuary website, want to build a list/registry of altars (optional). We're behind the times in how we communicate information, better online infrastructure. Cath: Suggest we propose a ritual committee to formulate rules, so they don't appear in common areas without approval, esp if permanent or structural. Eric: Punk Rock: someone brought chemicals for it, in a plastic bag, a huge fight. Suggest YS and I draft proposal to CoCo for altars. (YS: Limit it to common spaces.)

Funds: Eric: How does someone get approval to spend money? For example, a dryer door. MW: If it's within our budget, bring to this mtg or find agreement by email. Formerly Templekeepers could spend from Land Maint fund. Balance: Up to \$250 from that fund. (Eric: what if \$600 hot water heater?) MW: We can, if there's money in our Bldg budget. (By a meeting or email consensus.) Or if larger than that, EDMC.

Prioritizing: Eric: What if 3 diff people want things done? Cath: See doc Carl and I wrote Oct '19; Google Sheet ([Bldg Cmte charter, role function](#)). (Emergency; safety issues; protect infrastructure, prevent damage; primary utilities upgrade; deferred maint, reduction of maint; improvements to infrastructure...) I'll email MW to link to these minutes. We need a 5-year plan. Len: Suppose I wanted electricity to the bridge? I suggest it as a safety issue. (Lighting, future cameras, gates) Eric: Submit such requests by email. (MW: Huh?) Eric: What the threshold to come to the meeting, get approval other ways, etc? Len: It's a thing for the future.

PoC space Eric: I've heard a wish to not work on the space, unless an emergency / hindering our work,

without PoC involvement. Cath: The Edge needs preservation work. The space was not consented on.

Rula: Edge is not the PoC space; it's a residence occupied. Maintenance is essential. MW: Nomenus agreed to the PoC space, but Edge was never discussed as part of it.

Eric: My priority is public space: barn, garden house. Where is PoC space boundary? Rula: Enclosure etc built by folks who were here. Eric: There's talk of removing the fence, which is now leaning into the driveway and taking up space. It'll be a fire hazard in Summer. I'd like to avoid backlash. MW: We could ask Green 1, if it's pressing; remove fence if it falls and blocks the car.

Next:

Electric to bridge?

Dec 19, 2021

Eric, Lycan, Rula, Catherine Ti, Diamond, Mugwort (minutes), Darren. (Jaiden 7:15)

Handout: [Winterizing the Land](#) (an old doc)

Gate lock: Eric: A replacement is on order. We'll refer it to the officers when it arrives.

Maint Mavens:

Eric: There's a list. Let's empower Diamond to work freely from that list, based on what they see.

Rula: What list -- [Winterizing the Land](#)? (Eric: Yes)

Lycan: Some things to cover. Edge: porch needs a complete rebuild; decayed. I braced where floor was falling in below the wood stove, it'll need more attention. It's not a strong structure! Support beams not placed properly. There's one at the back where a shift in concrete could collapse the structure. Mavens should look at it; just a matter of time before disaster. A lot needs attention. Could replace footings with jacks w/o dismantling.

(Diamond: I saw a little roof leak in the Edge.)

Garden House: roof at former HW heater was done temporarily! We paid \$1100 for that HW heater; it needs monthly maintenance! (Plug/filter needs to be cleaned monthly, or the warranty's void. The company will know, from the codes, that it wasn't maintained.) Its intake/exhaust ducts weren't sealed properly to the roof; it was an urgent install, done in pouring rain.

Eric: I have experience, will check in with Diamond etc on that.

Rula goes thru winterizing list...

Diamond: This doesn't seem hard; I can handle it. I'll need to find an air-mattress pump.

Eric: I'll be in touch with Diamond about it. Water lines are esp important.

Lycan: I'm available to help (tho tight on time), and have a little air compressor to blow out the lines. Let Garden House lines drip a tiny bit; check drain line in front of the wood-storage box, which gets clogged. (The pipe couplers aren't glued together; they can shift, get filled with dirt.)

Diamond: Barn drain from roof towards the creek was clogged; I cleaned it out.

Lycan: Theresa has similar drain problems, with dirt pushing up into the pipe. The supply line to Theresa needs attention of the building's empty. (Diamond: It's empty now, ready for viz. I'll check those pipes.)

Eric: What else for our list?

Catherine: Winterizing a cabin; dampness. (Dehumid on timer in Theresa?)

Eric: We've discussed that. Have any bldgs sat empty in Winter before?

Lycan: Elder cabins are ok. Former office has bad potential mold; we moved office due to rats and dampness. Theresa roof unknown; there used to be leak behind stove, at rock wall, in heavy storms and snow. Seam at kitchen addition leaked horribly. Check them after storms.

Catherine: Ultrasonic rodent deterrents; do they work? Lycan: We use 'em, yes. Also peppermint spray. (Cath: smell for the sensitive?) L: Smell dissipates. Rodents are very sensitive to smell; you can also spray outside of the bldg.

Rula: At the work week, let's compile a list of further items. (E.g., Garden House HW filter.) Work week early Jan before MLK day; can Lycan make it? We'd like to do a building go-round. Maybe a ritual for MLK?

Lycan: I'd come at the beginning, walk around, fill you in.

Darren, with partner Eli, says Hi, new to this meeting.

Diamond. Eric: are you overwhelmed? D: Not at all; I'm fast; could do more if I knew more or had approved projects. Let's do more than just barn closure before the work week.

Eric: Appreciate all your work!

Lycan: We really need to build a book, with all the information. There are so many details.

Cath: electrical, water maps.

Work week party whatever-we-call-it

Rula: MLK is Mon, Jan 17th. Suggest Sat 15th - Sat 22nd. Ritual on 17th. Gatherette focus: assess, measure, look at needs of each individual building. Gather info for maint list, future projects. We have a lot of undocumented systems; map as much as possible.

Eric: Ongoing, 3rd Sat of each month. It's a big ask, January won't be a popular time; do it and see what happens.

Rula: Subsequent months might be shorter, eg a weekend.

Catherine: Bldg Cmte meeting happens during that time.

Eric: We'd discussed it would be open, almost anybody could show up. Every weekend would have a point person.

Rula: Let's have someone they check in with.

Cath: Suggest you set a limit for # of people.

Lycan: People can help in different ways; I'm not a kitchen queen.

Rula: I'd happily do kitchen work. Indoor spaces can handle about 10 ppl comfortably; could squeeze a few more. (Eric: Let's cap at 10.) (Diamond: 10 is great. Theresa, Juniper, Altairia, Thirteen, elder cabins are ready. Could fit 14.)

We're good with a work weekend the 3rd Sat.

Gate Lock

Eric: Lock is on order; waiting for a new lock, will confer with officers to apply. There are fancy digital locks I've seen.

MW: We could daisy-chain with the neighbor's lock, so they're not involved in our code changes.

Eric: What's the procedure to buy stuff, get reimbursement? What's our budget?

MW: Ask Leroy budget.

Lycan: So nbrs want to put on a fancy lock? Recall the gate is ours. What if we move gate onto our property at the bridge, so nbr has their own gate? It's not a wonderful gate.

Diamond: Good relationship with nbrs. They mentioned 2 options: electronic gate, auto-opens with a code, they'd pay for it. They're keeping an eye open. Or a solar-charged gate. They'd pay or split cost. If 2 separate gates, someone who comes down drive would have trouble getting back out, no way to turn around. They're nice people, really wanting a locked gate for protection.

Rula: The easement is ours; we decide. I like gate at the top. Let's sit down at talk with them about this; no problem with their using our easement. What are their security concerns? Might they block our access?
Lycan: At some point we'll gather, and will have huge gatherings. How to not disturb our kind neighbors? Some RadFae won't like a fancy lock, might damage it.

MW: Easement gives us access, but drive is their property. Best security for both is a gate up top (strangers can't spend time at gate out of sight, no issue of how to back out), but they may want a second gate for when the top is open for weeks at a time.

Cath: Yes, let nbrs know there'll be times with gate open for a long time.

Rula: Access to their prop is just off the road. Where's their grow op, will they block the direct access from road? What's their access plan? Meet with them sometime? In the meantime, use 2 locks on the gate.

D: I talked with them a lot. They're fine with our decorating up at the gate. At Dog Camp on the right, that's where Roxanne lives with cat and boyf; they're clearing the land, got rid of the cars. They came up with \$100k overnight; next day found someone to remove the scrap metal. One is PoC and makes dreads, one makes dream catchers; one of our community attacked them on Tik Tok for 'cultural appropriation.' To the left is Heather, making decks for her bus. Above Roxanne's is a 10k gallon water tank; she makes cannabis salves and creams, will be a small home grow operation. They're understanding if people want to come visit that land. They're concerned about gate safety; Galaxy had contacted them to visit their land (!), wondered who that was. They'll take out some trees, cut for boards, preserving as many as they can.

Forestry Camp

Rula: Reached out to Stevia and Poplar about Queer Forestry Camp, which has disbanded. Hope to reach out to former members, discuss what we do about forest management. Stevia would prefer we create something new. I'll reach out, cc Bldg, suggest we talk together about plans.

Cath: For the future, keep in mind goals of **Water, Electrical, and Sanitation**, which are vital for gatherings.

Next mtg: driveway gates, locks

add to Bldg Cmte email: Darren (futureprimate@protonmail.com)
confirm on the list: Lycan, Catherine, Diamond.

Nov 21, 2021

Time mix-up: emailed agenda was for 5:30/6, but the calendar said the usual 7pm.

11/21 First part, 6pm. These minutes started in a [separate Doc](#), then were copied to here.

Eric, Yellowstone (minutes), Jason Waterfall, Pith, Keeper

Wolf Creek: Ancient, Balance

Agenda

Maintenance Mavens Discussion

Erick - Maintenance mavens are people who have skill/interest in participating. Maybe folks who are putting proposals to be on the land may be folded into maintenance mavens. How - proposals that come through that get discussed and find ways to raise funds for that.

Waterfall - Picturing like "hey I'm gonna go down this week - does anyone want to go?"

Spider - Is there any thought to putting a crew together... How will the wider community know? How can we connect community and land so that people are involved.

Ancient - doesn't matter if you don't know how to do a thing. Lets learn together and share together and learn things together. Other ways to connect to the land through the other groups.

Eric - How do we go about getting the information out?

Keeper - can we find a way to get it wider than an email list... idea of a google calendar on the website. More things consolidated onto the calendar.

Projects

Balance - collective work done to get the barn done closer to closure. Massive massive list somewhere of all the potential projects. Went ahead and wrote up a few things that came to mind. Have someone in the community or can hire an electrician - focus on the fuse box out in the vision garden. Couple of connections that are iffy on that. Have solar panels, could be a nice weekend project to get those mounted. Plumbing needs to be done - spring water line is not currently connected to the water tanks. Last tried to be addressed by free. Also a leaking outdoor hose by THC needs some digging and fixing. Phone and internet out to the barn. Phone company dropped off an entire spool of line but would need one of the trench digging machines. Upgrades to the barn - couple window repairs. Could have a truck on land to do removal of scrap metal and trash to the dump.

Eric - Items are now being put into a box. How do we go about doing that and who do we check in with doing that? Hey we need to go do this? Monied projects will need more support to

YNT - Perhaps put together a work weekend to kick things off?

Diamond - Sounds like a great idea. Rabbit hole broken, roof of Theresa to asses things, how much snow will it be able to hold together, % people.

Eric - concern that this sits on the calendar. Should be a point person to check in with, how do we get the information.

Keeper - fully support the idea of point people - even in the google calendar that there is a point person. Useful to do some of the homework beforehand because folks have a lot of information held collectively. Held a more ritualistically. Taking a walk around the land, ritually say hello to the things and made notes of all the things that need to be done. Some things just got done in the moment and then there.

Balance - support some weekends or whatever with scheduling and communicating that. I can try to be here as somebody on the land also. As far as aware with current consensed to model. Current approval process that there is no longer a land community. Support tending and love to

Eric - thank you thats important - because of how approval happens - lets just say december 12th and we had 8 people coming. How would spider go about doying that.

Balance - How's this get organized, whose involved. How's it get organized. We have this many people for this many days for this projects. Everybody should be able to see it and. Leave it open for more people to jump in to. Safety protocols for testing, good rule of thumb to bring COVID.

Keeper - Closing down the barn is always rough because

Eric - Put the proposal to the board.

Balance - Who is available. Electrician top priority. Plumbing important but not sure with the weather. Barn would be very quick. Taking some stuff to the dump. Front porch of Theresa would be a great project to the weekend. 6 in elder cabins, 3 more in the other rooms near garden house, love lounge, several people in there. Theresa could hold a few. Lets say 12 with a potential for other. Folks

Keeper - bridge is another project that needs to be addressed. Tie ins need to be addressed. Bridge as a project. Tyra would be the person that would ask about this. General projects - larger projects. Acquisition of materials, how they are stored and what they are to be used for. Things are started and then things get moved and used as fair game. Cautionary tale to who starts a larger project. Factor in to your head that you will need to make arrangements to tarp up materials. The more you create the space you store your things will help. Spot under the box which has a lot of junk in it, If that got cleared out that would create a lot of space for new projects. Smaller items in a project, should get a tote to put the smaller materials, smaller materials get lost. A big large tote labeled with project and have a special space to store things. Classic faerie way to thing - squirreling. Suggestion lot of minor not gloriant maintenance style stuff just needs small repairs. Nice to start with the walk and time to reacquaint to the land.

11/21 Second part, 7pm

Mugwort (minutes), Rula, Jaiden join.

Handouts: [Projects list](#) (revised Feb '21)

Overview of the first part: Discussed maint mavens; ppl will submit larger project proposals, which we'll look at; also group of ppl with skills, interest to work on current projects. Can be for shorter times (eg, a weekend). How to get the info out? Email to members asked for info. Perhaps use the calendar to schedule volunteer slots.

Keeper gave folks a link to the big projects list.

How many people can the land handle for projects?

Balance: Elder cabins 2x3, 3 more near Garden House, Love Lounge several -- dep on COVID pods, etc. Theresa can take a few.

Keeper: Bridge needs finishing; lacks cross-bar, uprights have fallen down into the creek, will wash away. Recommend that larger projects pay attention to how to acquire, store materials, mark what they're set aside for. Don't assume there's a good place on the land to store your materials, unless you create it (tarps, pallets). That makes it more likely your stuff won't get used for other projects. Space could be cleared under the Box, where materials could be stored; it has old stuff. Smaller items: get a tote to gather them up. (For

example, the bolts and special drill bit for the bridge are probably who-knows-where.) If you tuck stuff away, it's less likely to get used up. There's lots of little maint projects needed: garden door,... Start winter projects with a walk, to identify repairs needed; time to re-acquaint, on the ground.

Y'S will write up a proposal to the officers for a weekend work-party to winterize.

Rula: Has the Barn been shut down? Freezing weather's coming; a winterizing work party?

Ancient: Barn, pumphouse have been drained. Let's get 8 or so people to walk the land. Lot's being done.

Garnet's been handling the Barn hot water heater. (MW will ask Garnet.)

Bldg email list: add Jaidan. (done)

Theresa roof: The main roof's complete (by Tyra, Keeper), no known leaks; the porch roof is a mess.

Balance will look under the building to see if there are porch-roof materials.

Next: at 6pm, for consistency. (MW: I'd like to change the time back to 7 after that.)

Oct 17, 2021

Reeder (minutes), Pith, Rula (first part)

Wolf Creek: Ancient, Romey, Mizuko

pith - i'm reviewing the notes and there's talk of an anonymous donation, perhaps that could go towards the solar panel?

ancient - there are some things that could use donations. the barn is doing pretty good. teresa could use some help. there's the ongoing barn remodel talk that happens. that's not necessarily in our day-to-day at the moment.

pith - potentially relevant, is mold an issue in any of the structures?

ancient - because we are in southern oregon, everything is potential for mold and the only way to prevent that is to keep places warm and dry. we need human occupants to do that. there might be no one on the land. mold is definitely something that needs to be thought about.

pith - are any of the spaces not currently occupied? are any of them sitting cold and unused to where that might be a concern right now?

ancient - the structures most in risk of mold would be the most in the forest, that would be thc and the edge. currently the structures are okay, there's not any issue.

pith - it sounds like people are trying to keep things current, that's great. what are you aware with the roof of teresa?

ancient - the roof definitely needs a repair. garnet would need to be involved with that.

pith - i was wondering with the last coco with the proposal about the people coming by to do stuff , and it was like oh hey there's a whole list of people interested in doing stuff like that.

reeder - it seemed that the proposal in coco was about infrastructure was to take care of winterization.

romey - i think that building committee and infrastructure would be similar. i was hoping people from that group would be on this call. a big part of that proposal had to do with no one being on the land so that was discussed at this past coco. i would imagine this coming back to the table at some point. i'm interested to know what they hoped to accomplish this year.

ancient - i wanted to ask if they have a date when they would be coming here. otherwise, pipes have been winterized and the solar shower has been shut down because it's been frosting near freezing here.

pith - mugwort asked about the roof and we'd like it to be noted that the leak is on the porch.

Post-meeting update: Mugwort: Leak on Theresa porch has been known a long time; there are written plans to rebuild the whole porch roof, waiting for a project Top and volunteers.

Sept 27, 2021

Rescheduled from 9/19 due to Great Circle.

Mugwort (minutes), Jaiden, Rula, Diamond

Wolf Creek: Ancient, Balance,

Solar: Josh Bostic, of Purlight Power, gave us a solar-electric [estimate](#). His design calls for 14.4kW (40 modules @360W, with 10 micro inverters 4-in-1); estimated annual solar total 22 kWh. Gross cost \$47.1k; less Energy Trust \$900 and Federal \$12,012 gives \$34,188 net installed cost.

Many of us are inclined to focus on our carbon footprint; it also would be nice to have some backup when the grid power goes down.

Mugwort: I'd love to see an estimate for solar hot water to the Barn kitchen.

(Questions: given our typical use, how compute years to break-even? what are 4:1 micro inverters? module voltage, inverter location, service panel needs (V, A). potential battery backup, standalone operation. (for refr/freezers, well; how long?) Financing, possible 501c3 grants?

Josh isn't here; we hope to talk to him another time.

Fire safety: we have 500' of sturdy garden hose, thanks to Garnet!

MW: I'd love to see a water tank up top of the north hill, with 2" line down to the fire circle. Also make the fire pit smaller, since that naturally limits the size of fires.

August 15, 2021

We rescheduled to 6pm from 7.

Rula, Mugwort, Diamond, Happy Worker (FfreE stops by)

at WC: Ancient, Romey (Wildsong stops by)

Agenda: Barn plumbing (drain, supply); neighbor parcel; fundraising

Ancient suggests a phone call to notify them of meeting time changes.

Barn plumbing: MW: SGRF organizers told me the Barn drain sump-pump is broken and the horse trough leaks. Pre-gathering work team was going to fix those. Evie/Eric planned to go down and replace many of the sinks and supply plumbing. I don't know what, if any, of that was done now that the gathering was cancelled.

Rula: Since Garden House is for residents, wondering what the situation is for visitors.

(Conversation about Covid) Ancient responds: nobody here's been sick at all for two years, so we're confident no Covid.

(Ancient, Romey, Happy Worker join us.)

Ancient: We got the fixtures. Barn faucets: handwash sink by the washing machine and on the other side have been dripping, turned off. Got new knobs, just need to put them on.

MW: Barn drain?

Ancient: no problem that I know of; the drain system is working normally, doesn't overflow. Evie was just here; we've been in good contact with them.

Happy Worker: status of vision garden, trees?

Ancient: watered grapes beginning of season, tho maybe Garnet does. Trees are doing great, bearing fruit, getting loving attention. Troll Tree is bearing fruit on one branch; a miracle! (The old, gnarled plum.)

HW: Pan has history on that tree.

Fundraising:

Diamond: How can we show what we offer and our potential to those with funds? Connections in San Diego (Imperial Court and Chris, queer restaurant owner, wishes to support non-mainstream queers). Perhaps assemble a Powerpoint or video presentation. San Diego Radfae don't know about this place for them. How do a visual, when so many don't want to be photographed? Fly them up here in person?

HW: Our general policy on privacy doesn't prevent images with consent, not broadcast (personalized outreach); we've done presentations in the past for grants. Offers help.

Diamond: Then run it past the community? For individual outreach, not broadcast.

HW: I don't think it's an issue; good to bring to Fundraising, Communications.

Diamond: last Winter I organized an ice-fishing jamboree in OR; now have hosts for 8 events. Reaching out to fishing-gear companies for donations of gear to low-income participants; need a 501c3 umbrella. After my event, I was invited to Diamond Lake Resort, organized drag fishing tutorials. Most fishermen don't like all this. D.L. having me do two events (more than 1 day each). Could solicit cash donations from corp's (along with gear), on government or private land off-Sanctuary. Can Nomenus umbrella a fishing event?

Rula: Sounds like the event finances would be outside us (we're not a fiscal sponsor), but there would be donations.

D: Yes, receipt for donations of cash, gear for raffles. (E.g., Umpquah raffle was for the burned-down fish hatchery, (one more that didn't make minutes).) I've been hearing a need for queer fishing events.

Rula: Refer to Fundraising, last Sunday. Suggest writing this up, to distribute ahead of time, for Finance and Fundraising.

HW will work with Diamond on the summary.

Diamond: I have vines from the Barn wisteria, harvested by Yellowstone, which I'll weave with stones, donate proceeds to Nomenus.

Smoke: forecast improvement starting Monday night. Mugwort points to possible respirators in the Box, from before.

Future discussion: facilities for rainy-weather gatherings.

July

Happy Worker, Rula, Mugwort.

Nobody from the land; we don't attempt to do much.

June 20, 2021

Reeder,

At WCS: Bren, Ancient (facil), Tyra (minutes), Garnet

Agenda:

- Plumbing in vision garden

- Barn roof seam repair

- Theresa Roof

- Welcome Tent

- Dodeck

- Grape arbor

- Bridge

- Questions about Spring line to Carlos and Beulah

- Consensus for building projects

Check-ins and agenda setting

Garnet: The hose in the pump house leaks. We can use metal tape to secure it.

Reeder: my discussion topic about consensus for building projects

Garnet: I have torque screws for the bridge rails

Ancient: plumbing in vision garden, Garnet

Garnet: digging holes, planting vegetables, I penetrated the water pipe. Fixing it, someone else penetrated another pipe. They both seem to go to the barn. It's fixed. In about an hour, we'll turn the water back on. A crew brought water to the barn from the well so dinner could happen.

Ancient: don't need any tools or anything?

Garnet: it's fixed.

Ancient: barn seam repair

Garnet: I got the stickiest, gnarliest tape ever. The seams where the skylights leak now are sealed. We're

waiting for it to rain to test it. It's a new roof and now waterproof.

Reeder: big deal!

Garnet: a year ago we consensed on this and now it's done.

Reeder: people want to do stuff on the inside and I said better make sure it doesn't leak

Theresa roof

GArnet: somebody must have been walking on the porch roof.

Reeder: cats!

GArnet: main roof was repaired with metal and the porch was okay. Not okay now. Gone to rack and ruin

Reeder: what about plastic roof?

Garnet: we have ability to buy sheets of plywood and 2x12s and could be a project of work week.

Reeder: there's plastic roofing next to it, long so you have to cut it.

Garnet: transparent or translucent?

Reeder: yep

Tyra: leftover from barn skylights?

Garnet: different material. There's a place to buy metal roof that's cheaper than diamond and lowes. I hope it's okay to spend the money.

Reeder: how much do you think it'd cost.

Garnet: I haven't bought plywood in a while, but I think \$150 for plywood and 2x4

Balance: it's gone up. Not sure where it's at.

Garnet: FfreE's not at the meeting. Is the card eligible for this? Can I keep spending money on that?

Balance: everything over \$250 has to be approved. Not sure how we're handing receipts. Maybe send to Thimbleberry. Want to be careful about spending what's there

Garnet: I've spend about \$400 and there's \$600 on it. What's the name of account

Balance: land maintenance. FfreE will be getting back soon

Dodeck

Ancient: floorboards of the deck poking up, plans for roof up?

Garnet: I read CAthering Ti doing something about dodeck this week. I've repaired the dodeck with long screws for the boards stickign up and trippable. More rain and more boards sticking up. I have long screws for bridge and useful for dodeck. Not many, 8-10 boards sticking up

Grape arbor

Ancient: needs two poles and they're here. Not more than \$50.

Garnet: don't need to spend at all. Go to Carter for cedar poles, lash together with string.

Ancient: I'll do that

Reeder: get the solstice flowers in dog camp

Bridge:

Ancient: The rails are unfinished

Tyra: I was organizing that rebuild a couple years ago. We got to a stopping point but planned more work putting down rail ties horiz between the verticals. This would be a good work week project. There's some heavy liftign to do and we need to chainsaw the ties, bolt them down. There are diagonals already cut, somewhere, and hardware. Not sure where to find them. So much going on since then.

Questions about spring line, Carlos to Beulah

Garnet: hoping Mugwort would be here to answer some questions. The lines go across the meadow. I've

traced them to near the firepit, shower. Reeder you were here when I went out there. My crutches were weary. Now I can fly above the drama and below the radar. I just need wisdom. I devised, realized the water system goes to GH and old GH has standpipes. I can backfluxh with welwater, hermaphrodite fitting, beautiful fitting to send well water into the spring line backwards. Nice surprise to send water into spigots backwards, take the hose and if it's flowing, be a dream come true. If we can fix spring line system, we'll have high pressure water for firefighting. There may be valves with hose fitting in the meadow, cause I put them there. Under a bucket with a cutout. In the winter you put styrofoam in so it doesn't freeze. We did use wool, horse blankets, not styrofoam. Probably funky now.

Consensus for building projects. How does it work.

Reeder: my revisioning projects that I will probably not bring to GC. looking at consensus process for building things. Making shifts happen. I notice meetings really hold back people's projects. It's consensus and also super reasonable.

Tyra: boondock did some work on our process. I think you may be referring to building projects in New growth village. This is a new situation and we have to get creative and figure out where our responsibilities are regarding separatist spaces within Nomenus and WCS.

Reeder: letting people on the land be creative is ultimately what is wanted.

Check-outs

May 23, 2021

Rula, Mugwort (minutes), FfreeE

Maintenance: Rula: Let's take on maintenance; e.g., fire breaks, blackberry that's all over the Barn drain area.

Neighbor parcel: Rula: The only buildable site is where the trailer was.

FfreeE: Could get permit for a building, as has well, electric, septic. Doesn't have a permit now. Parcel isn't split but probably could during the due-dilligence month.

Mugwort: Would tiny homes be possible? That's a way for faeries to take it on as a consortium. Otherwise, someone buys and rents out.

Rula: Safety issue of being so close to the road.

MW: If it were mine, I'd put a solid fence along the road.

R: Could re-route its drive to connect off ours. Move ours for easier access from both directions, avoid drainage issue from the road driveway. Could grant land to Nomenus for road access.

Well: F: Talked to Connell, who opened the lid. It's trash to ~10' of the top! R: Therefore, dig a new well. Is it polluting the water source? Lloyd said that produced 30 gpm. Director of Planning told me our land is fractured bedrock, former sea bottom with pockets of salt. Wells are very localized.

MW recalls a meeting sometime when we had details about the well permit (and, therefore, depth of different diameters).

Toxins: F: Connell did a lot of auto work up there. MW: Meth lab site at Dog Camp: Rula: prob not up at the trailer.

Lower meadow: R: Before camping down there, would need to cut grass (fire, cat converters), a/c power (cpap).

FfreeE: Use for an outdoor, accessible shower at Garden House. More composting shitters, some accessible. Use 55gal drums, painted black.

MW: Is there a way to cut off the ends of the many plastic barrels, and attach a firm lid?

F: We've tried cutting; it makes a mess and is hard to be even/smooth. Maybe get a 350gal cube, for times of heavy usage?

Report to Great Circle, April 2021

We hope to find an experienced Top for the project to fix leaks in the Barn roof. (It's important to find someone who's familiar with sheet-metal roofs, even if they don't do the work themselves.)

A PoC space is being developed near the Edge; we're not involved, but are available if our input is ever wanted.

The old spring-water line is connected as far down as the Space Capsule (above the driveway); this water is not potable.

Johnson parcel - our driveway and across the street - is still on the market. Its owner is having old cars and debris removed; the A-frame burned down last week; meth users seem to have replaced the stable tenant.

We encourage a circle of faeries to figure out what it would cost to clean up the site, how much they'd be willing to pay, and to make an offer on the land; eventually, the seller will be ready for a realistic bid.

Apr 12, 2021

Mugwort, Rula, Ffree

Ffree talked to Spidey about shitter projects, a little. F has an idea about movable shitters.

PoC project near the Edge: we don't know what's happening, but some recent spending, which suggests something's going to happen.

Rula: People tend to treat the electricity as if our buildings were well-wired. Cross-meadow power, from space cable to Theresa, is #6 Cu (#2 across the meadow); limited capacity won't support 3 heaters on low. Mugwort: #6 is 55A (6kW), so some heaters are possible. In a work party, let's track down the cross-meadow failure (one leg of 220V is down), and upgrade the #6 section.

Rula: Make a map of the electrical system, wire sizes/types, capacity limits. Rewire Garden House and Altairia. (MW: Yes! New panel, but scary old branches.) Something Nice is powered by a cord from the Edge.

MW: Edge power runs along the surface (not buried), UF so UV- and weather-resistant. Let's make sure the Edge is on GFCI. Perhaps, in the future, EV drivers will help fund new power to the parking lot / pumphouse. (Rula: With power to the greenhouse. Soil is better (silty) in lower meadow, vs in the meadow.)

Ffree: Greenhouse might be in cement plugs; we don't know.

Rula: Greenhouse is on a rise, exposed to wind.

MW: Action, who donated it, may have been involved in construction, and thus not likely to embed in cement.

Rula: Dylan helped put it up, and so probably done right.

Ffree: Typically, the ribs are in 4-5 sections; cement plugs for base, with the first section embedded. Lower

meadow would give better wind protection, not a bad location. We've added so many amendments up top; it takes so much.

Great Circle report: MW writes, Rula presents.

Rula: Mention work parties idea. (Electric, water system). Spring system comes as far down as the space capsule. Work party to finish bridge rails. Barn roof (given the right Top).

R: Wonder about using non-potable water on vegetables etc at the Greenhouse, in case we bring spring water downhill to there. Free: We usually use soaker hoses; less problems.

MW: does Garden House still have that big section w/o siding? (Ru: I'll ask August for pictures.)

Ffree: GH roof has a small leak above the dining area, around the round pillar.

Next: change to May 10 (before CoCo), different week than usual.

Mar 15, 2021

Mugwort, Happy Worker, FfreeE. Ambitchus, Wren, Ancient

Handouts: [Barn & Kitchen Refresh 2021](#) from Fundraising meeting.

Fundraising's been working up a Barn project.

Handwashing: HW: see restaurant, small stainless sinks; they're <\$100 incl faucet, possibly \$50. Knee valves are harder to find, typically medical, but would they drain/winterize well? MW: Let's get temp-controlled mixing valves. Disadvantage of heated water is not potable to fill water jugs.

HW: Locations: against the wash house, by Kermit the shithouse, Barn front (where? for multiple people. maybe 1-2 in front, one at the dirty rabbit hole door. close to Garden House, but where? Maybe en route to meadow shower. I may have a lead on someone to help design our dish flow. We already got one stove and a 5' stainless prep table.

Ffree: Ziplly Fiber dropped off 3500' of cable for us. I hope to get a trench digger to also do the electric work. How best to run a line from GH to Barn, for phone and Internet there? Extra wire to Halston. Someone there said they'd grossly overbooked this area, which is why our service is so slow. It's hard to reach them! Many hours spent on hold. I'm trying to get a credit for our poor bandwidth.

MW: Water lines are on meadow side of the driveway; power lines on the creek side. Need to locate those first.

HW: Replace water lines at the same time. (MW: yes.)

Ffree: Bury wires to elder cabins. (MW: The grey wires are UF cable, direct burial. Prefer to cover with Schedule 40 pvc pipe when running thru the garden. Also to the Box.)

MW: Also bury the line from pumphouse to the Edge, at least crossing the trail.

The elder cabins now plug into outlets in the Box and outside the Office (South side).

HW: Mark in advance, rent a trencher. Maybe find someone to help us use it? Rentals are expensive (\$550/week, \$175/day in Medford). Connell, from next door, says he'll do the trenching for two 12-packs.

HW: Perhaps widen our driveway soon, before a new owner turns up. I'll check in with Rula.

Johnson parcel: Sunny Valley has a parcel 5ac, \$47k, power close, zone RR5, septic approved, 1mi off I-5,

402 Sunny Valley Loop, on the market >6mo! (realtor.com) Looks like it was logged 15-20y ago.

Also 22ac Coyote Creek, \$125k, pending, forest & meadow.

Ambitchus: I'll take a look at the Sunny Valley one.

HW: Seller might write off (if they pay taxes) difference between our price and the last listed asking price.

PoC space: What's the location?

Ffree: Not set. Prob from Edge, up towards Micah, from the gulley, across the driveway towards Grandmother Maple. A 16' dome was put up; Wildsong has skin for a 24'; plan is to put them beside each other, on meadow side of driveway.

HW: There's been concern about cremains at the Tripod and Micah.

MW: I wonder about acoustic privacy, with the driveway so close. Has Wildsong spent much time in peak gathering season?

Ffree: I'd like to talk to Spidey about shitter projects. I'll talk to Weston anyway, so will touch base about Spidey's event rider. How many people did we tell Weston is our capacity? I think 200. No axe-throwing event, and a few similar.

Next: Great Circle is 4/16-18. We meet Monday, 4/12 (day after CoCo).

Feb 15, 2021

Reeder (near Amatlán, Mexico), Mugwort (minutes), Happy Worker, Rula

Internet's down in Wolf Creek; perhaps the power, too. (Pacific Northwest had a storm with snow and ice.)

Topics: Johnson parcel, PoC grant & yurt, Creature structure?

QOTD: There was a cat fight on my bed.

Johnson parcel: no news; it's still listed for \$125k (77 days thus far).

2575 is on the market, 14.6ac (2.3ac irrigation rights, spring/creek), \$210k. Split by WCk Rd, runs behind the other Johnson parcel (?). (38ac on other side of the creek is \$250)

Fundraising report: They discussed redoing the Barn kitchen, sanitation equipment, drain system, dish storage, handwashing stations, serving table, wheelchair access (ramp and eating porch on creek side), fixing the Barn floor (bringing it to one level), oven cooktops, estimating \$20k budget. Note the Barn roof needs fixing.

HW: There are people who weld stainless steel for dish surfaces.

Rula: We need to get equipment that's suitable for freezing temperatures.

Barn roof: Reeder: What's the hold up? I heard there was a specific measurement that didn't match. (Perhaps that's about the wiggle-pattern of the skylight.)

HW: Perhaps add a layer above?

Rula: Need an experienced Top for the project.

HW: How much leaking?

R: Mistress did some basic patching, so it's no longer buckets; floor is still sopping wet. Is she currently living on the land? Wasn't on the list at CoCo.

MW: Could someone help her communicate with us more clearly about plans, needs?

Rula: Candidates? Leroy? Catherine?

Reeder: FfreeE said they were stuck at the wiggles; Mistress said materials were the problem. Maybe she's waiting for the funds.

Rula: Will reach out FfreE, Mistress to find out what's in the way.

Reeder: Mistress, with Wildsong help, redid the Hot House roof (the structure that Leaf started). Second floor's been taken down, now has a shed roof (still sloped the wrong direction). It's thought the windows can be put on now. Many leftover windows, brand new; they were costly (4x5'). Plan to use it to germinate seeds.

Rula: Garden House has old single-pane windows that could use replacement.

Reeder: Wildsong found a big air leak near the Garden House stove, hopes to patch it with Cobb. It's at the zig-zag between the stove and the bookshelf at the front door.

Rula, HW: Cobb's not good to put in contact with wood (terminates), not a good patching material.

HW: Wood, batting in cracks.

Greenhouse: no change; it's a bare skeleton, oversized.

HW: Free, Lycan, and others thought they can get a grant for the plastic. The ends are more expensive.

Rula: I'll ask Lycan. The orientation's not good.

HW: Relocate it, it's now on the windiest spot on the land. Move to the lower meadow, where soil's better.

Rula: Lower meadow soil is cobble, stone, creek deposits. Could use raised beds. It's now on smaller gravel.

HW: Looking online, nobody agrees about greenhouse orientation.

Rula: Currently, the end panel is to the south, will block sunlight.

MW: Prevailing winds are N-S.

Reeder: I'm still interested in solar panels. Put them on the greenhouse roof, towards the south.

HW: I did solar this year, 16 345W panels, even at Winter Solstice they deliver well for me in N Cal.

Rula: Grants are harder because we're a church (at least, some years back).

HW: There are nonprofits doing solar for churches. Grants are by state; some states allow churches. I got a system with no upfront cost; the 20y payments are less than my utilities were.

Perhaps the next big fundraiser after the Barn kitchen can be energy infrastructure.

Next: Monday 3/15.

Jan 18, 2021

Rula Lenska, Mugwort (minutes), Happy Worker, Momma Joy (Sarah, Zesty, Majesty's wife). FfreE joins later.

WCK: Creature, Chartreuse, Reeder (facil), Ancient, Garnet. (on the Polycom, no video)

Rolling out tarps to dry turned into contact improv in the sun.

QOTD: More Time for Fucking!

Agenda: yurt, Barn roof, Johnson parcel, fundraising (from CoCo), update list of ongoing projects, Momma checks in

Johnson parce.: Creature: Len says price dropped to \$100-something, he thinks it's too high; he'd go half-half, suggests \$60k offer. He noticed a couple of hundred people (worldwide) looked at the listing.

HW: I saw listing: \$125k. Lots of crap visible in pictures (the chop shop is ongoing); it's listed as-is, no well testing, nothing; \$thousands in cost to remediate, haul away. In the area, I saw 160 ac, on the hill between WCk and Glendale, for \$150. His price is ridiculous.

Reeder: Mapping on where that parcel touches ours?

Garnet: Talked to Len. Not clear where it touches us. Just selling the part of this side of the road; the other part's not listed. It's had 3 complaints from citizenry (not us).

MW: I have a local parcel map, can send. (to Reeder)

Creature: Publicize to the wider community. Lose our driveway? Don't want to risk an unfriendly neighbor.

Rula: Drive is an easement. Parcel is bisected by railroad; crossing is on their land. (So they have the crossing agreement; useful for us to get ahold of.) Small parcel, not many buildable sites, unattractive.

Anybody who looks first will say No, at that price. Early on, a bunch of us talked with Janucz (one owner); Boondok asked assessor, who said not dividable! Why? Original owner, Lynn Johnson, put Ivan as trustee; he wasn't able to split it back then. Our folks weren't interested unless at a reasonable price. Total is 12ac (both halves), \$60k would be fair. This should be less per acre, due to condition.

MW: Two threads: Get the facts about dividability. Re-form a circle of interested faeries, arrive at an offer. (That'll get us on the realtor's radar, in case another offer comes in.)

Garnet: Len said down to \$117k, for 8ac. He suggested hiring a lawyer (eg, Duane Schultz). This, plus Paddyville, would give us 4 tax lots; look at where we stand legally.

Ru: 8ac above RR, about 3.5ac below. We're zoned Forest Commercial (80ac min); Johnson two are Woodlot Resource (a better zone for us, due to church camp / conditional use permit). There've been many changes since we filed our Conditional Use permit. Let's hire a lawyer.

Cr: Get a survey? Len would go halfway.

Reeder: Zoom meeting for those interested in purchase?

MW: Propose we recommend to CoCo to hire Duane. (next CoCo: 2/14)

HW: Let's attach a price tag.

Ru: Start with \$1500.

Agreed.

MW: Who might be interested in that meeting?

Rula: I'll facilitate that; I already have names, let me know if additions. rula.chip@gmail.com

HW: Looking on the Web, I see many cheaper parcels. It'd be great for us to own that land.

Momma Joy. Galaxy (Majesty) spending time on the land, I'm in grass valley until baby born. How go to the sanctuary with an infant? I'm flexible about space; would need hot water for washing up. I've been going about 6yr; want to contribute, but not live full-time; might be 1-2mo or longer. I'd like to create a space to benefit the community. On my parcel, yurt-like "yome", easy to put up. In Dec, talking to the land, got a sense there's a wish for temp housing like a trailer; yurt would be to help the property. Upgrade an existing cabin for hot water? I don't want to add financial or energy strain. I couldn't spend 6 months building, with a kid, so something to put up quickly. Can't come to next Bldg Cmte mtg, due to impending birth.

Creature: I can be point person. Like idea of upgrading a space, or temporary. There's been talk of a truck-filled propane tank.

HW: Sounds like a dating-the-land question; have you gotten info about our visitor process? I remember you from gatherings. Why's it coming up at Bldg?

MW: Land seems to have left behind the visitor process; guess we'll live with that til Covid ends. It does sound like MJ is looking for something temporary, 1-2mo. Hot water: how, where?

MJ: For some reason, I thought would need to create own space to share with others. (How would supply, waste work? Baby poo.) My partner has experience with that.

Creature: I can be point person. Timing will be near Beltane.

MW: Baby poo washing is probably the trickiest thing, since washer water ends up on the ground surface, not that far from the creek.

Ffree: When, how long?

MJ: 3mo max, part-time (co-parent in Grass Valley), over Summer: May-Sept off/on.

Barn Roof: FfreE: Cobb couldn't make it down, maybe free January. Were gonna replace the skylights, but couldn't find the right width. (Hoped for 3', nope.) Mostly leaks at those seams. There was talk of a \$10k Barn upgrade, at Fundraising. Quick fix: seal?

Fundraising: Rula: We looked for a target. Two: ongoing monthly needs / operating expenses; better accessibility to the Barn, replace kitchen equipment. (Many restaurants are going out of business!) Target \$10k total. Next meeting, last Monday of January.

Cr: Yes, accessibility; talking to Pan & Tweet. We only have one functioning stove; get efficient refrigerators. I'd like to get a woodstove back in the Barn; possibly for cooking, possibly send heat to Love Lounge?

MW: Yes, access! One shitter, and ability to enter part of the Barn. Upgrade the kitchen with liquidated restaurant gear! (Dishwasher, pot/pan washer, pot-boiler stove, stove faucets, small-restaurant sized Hobart mixer/chopper, etc!) Woodstove for heat, don't depend on for cooking. Ask for loans if necessary.

HW: I've been in the restaurant industry 25y, can advise on equipment and liquidations. Make a wishlist.

Barn gets too cold for many fridges. Cooking on a woodstove is hard; yes, let's get for heat.

Cr: More love to the Barn. Propane comes from fracking; destructive, I wish to avoid. Theresa's cooking a lot on wood this winter.

Reeder: Fundraising lately. Obstacles: within community, easy to ask for specific things. Outside, need more blanket info about Nomenus; hard to confidently speak on behalf of the org. (HW: Come to Fundraising!)

FfreE: I cook wood and propane; suggest solar power for summer; solar ovens.

Cr: I spent 2mo in Montana off grid; we made meatloaf, cheesecake.

Feral Village: Cr: Inspired by the Triskelion. 2 doors and a window, for airflow. Maybe tunnel below ground? I've left question with WCFD. Wait for snow season to end. Medium pitch, to handle some snow. Wrap in white vinyl (maybe paint to blend in?) Wildsong uses brush at the Edge to camouflage. Comfy in Theresa, so not so much residence, rather healing space, alternative to the sweat lodge.

HW: You mentioned fire marshall?

Cr: Was asked to talk to him before open-pit fire in structure. Wildsong asked him about cooking area at the Edge. Ample room around the fire pit; friends have lived months in such a structure.

HW: Are we inviting fire marshall onto the land to see buildings? (Have no building permits.)

Cr: Yurt isn't permanent; no foundation. FD seemed confused by the question.

HW: Avoid fire marshall for permanent buildings.

MW: Don't bring him to permanent structures; doubt he's looking for things elsewhere on the property.

Ongoing project list: Rula: In the past we had workshops on the project list, with priorities and loose groups (eg, electrical, plumbing), lots of info. Downloaded into a Google Doc. Will send to the CoCo list.

Creature: I'd love to look at it. Haven't been getting Nomenus emails.

Theresa: Creature: we're excited to remodel. Reeder: sharing a not-stinky kitchen; took out the old HW heater, simplified the plumbing, dried the undersink area. Cr: Hope to work on the door (it scrapes, won't close fully); front porch roof is rotting; future rebuild the RH portion. Add shelves for winter seeds.

MW: Recall there are plans and materials list for porch roof (structure and roofing).

Rula: Lycan would know.

Cr: I'll ask Tyra. Want gutters for water catchment.

Next: Maybe Comm's could skip 2/16, to avoid 3 in a row.

Saturday faerie coffee on Zoom! (FfreE)

next: Mon 2/15, the day after Valentine's Day and CoCo

to CoCo: Johnson parcel proposal (retain Duane)

to Communications: meeting date

Dec 14, 2020

Meeting doesn't happen; only Rula calls in.

(Mugwort was out with a medical issue.)

Nov 16, 2020

Rue & Cuddles / Disco Sloth (SF), Mugwort (minutes, Portland), Rula (ABQ); FfreE (facil), Chartreuse, Balance?, Mistress

Polycom was disconnected; Wolf Creek apparently needs to unplug the phone to hook her up.

Oregon, California, and New Mexico are shutting down, due to COVID acceleration.

Topics: Feral Village / yurt update, Real Nice, Barn roof, propane heater, hot house, possible outside shower, building platforms

Handouts: Happy Worker sent reference to Ashley Hearth direct vent lp wall heater, 11k BTU, #DVAG11L, \$530 at Northern Tool, (\$313 at Home Depot, but out of stock online and stores). (AFUE 70%. Clearance 6" sides, 36" top, 6" floor. Exterior 3' from outlet, and 3' wide within 15' above.) Also at Northern: HouseWarmer 10k BTU \$530 (clearance 6" sides, 36 top, 4 floor.)

Yurt. Creature: goal is a roof by Samhain; close to tarp being up, doorways. Found stairs rotting past Theresa, found stairs in the slope; a buried altar above that, with cinder blocks, space capsule? Call fire marshall to look at creating a yurt hearth? Cobb, stonework. Feral kitchen will tap into springline, for seasonal outdoor. I'm staying in Theresa.

DS: Is that the yurt village area?

C: There are other sites for platforms. Intent is to be low impact. Self-financed.

DS: Wish to build a platform on the land, geodesic dome, for indoor space, residential when we're not there. Me, Chartreuse, ... have been discussing, with the hope of spending more time on the land. Self-financed. Hope for a long-term, solid, sustainable building structure.

MW: Note that individual dwellings have more environmental impact and wood smoke than clustered housing.

DS: Hope the dome can be a residence for more than one. First step, practice towards larger domes, structures, like the DoDeck. Wish this can be the start of a more-sustainable avenue than individual cabins
Looking into different types of stoves/heaters: rocket heaters, etc.

MW: Heavy masonry stoves ([kachelofen](#)) can allow efficient burning of small branches etc.

C: Talk more, later? Email updates before next month. Rockets burn well with sticks.

Real Nice (PoC space). Mistress: Roof complete, doesn't leak, 85% done. Can't do straw/cobb insulation until Spring. Need to finish door (need some OSB), close up air leaks.

Barn roof. M: Barn's leaking; skylights don't overlap the metal; larger pieces would be cheaper than ongoing use of caulk, sealant. I'm willing to cover 50% of the \$300 cost. Use the old pieces (about 30) to finish the hot house. Back porch roof leaks, needs some of that material.

MW: Recall there are two types of wiggle-pattern, so might need to match. (When roof was built, we had trouble finding wiggle-boards to match the skylights.) Confirms with Mistress the new skylight pieces to match wiggle-pitch of the roof. (Mistr: or we'll make it fit.)

Ffree: is there money in the budget for that repair?

(land drops from call)

M: I've been working on the roof for 2 weeks. Many screws/bolts are loose. Seams are overlapping in the wrong direction; I'd like to change. I'm confident how it goes together.

Rula: Are there places needing support?

M: Only the notched pieces at the center, which will eventually break and warp. It's otherwise fine. I see no rot. I'm poor, but could put money towards it.

Ru: Let's pay for it.

We authorize \$300 in materials for the Barn roof repair.

Hot House. Ffree: Altered to now be flat on top (with 10-15% pitch); will get the old Barn panels, have materials to frame up. Leaf didn't want to talk to us about it.

Platforms. DS: Want to commune with the land, find the best place for platforms (fire safety, water flow. What approval is needed, if we self-fund and treat the land with respect, build up to code?

Chartr: In this committee.

Ru: We haven't always followed it, but permanent changes are supposed to get Great Circle approval. Needs a wider discussion than Bldg Cmte; bring to CoCo? "Temporary" things have been built and then stayed permanently.

MW: Agree: Building discusses and recommends to CoCo, to get wider input than this circle, but not necessarily Great Circle.

DS: We'll be coming to the land, discuss there.

F: Is intent for land community, guest space, ...? DS: We'd use it when on the land; otherwise, avail for land, guests, whatever.

Ru: Do you have anything written up? Who'd be responsible for maintenance? What's required?

DS: I'll write something up in the next few days. I'll take responsibility to maintain the platform and dome, and will write it up. It'll be built so can be disassembled if need be; tho intention is long-term shelter.

MW: Prefer permanent, long-term; temporary adds costs, reduces function.

DS: Path forward wasn't clear from the land. I'd prefer permanent as well. Domes are resistant to weather, natural disasters.

Outside shower. F: Talk about running pipes from Garden House, to allow hot-water shower without entering the building's Covid bubble.

Ru: Project Top? (None, yet. Balance, Free discussing) Requires some plumbing skill. (F's confident with

pipng, not about the wall penetrations. Garnet has some skills. Or ask Evie, Boondok.)

Freezing? (Balance: will be for spring, summer not now. GH shower could use replumbing, anyway. I feel comfortable building waterproof walls, platform of the ground. Perhaps a semi-transparent wall.)

Free: We can create a drain for the system.

Ru: Can put shutoff valves in Garden House. Sounds like this is at the conceptual stage, no design yet? (F: Yes) May be a response to Covid in cool weather; but next Spring might be different. Why discuss a project for Spring? (F: If materials ready, I'd build it now. Balance: figure out materials to order, see what we have.)

MW: Perhaps shower head before walls, if can deal with mud?

Creature: I've used wood-heated, outdoor tubs, etc. Good to have an option for visitors in winter.

Ru: Lots of design remains to do, before a decision. Somebody to draft a rudimentary design?

Ffree: I'll reach out to the folks mentioned, maybe draw up plans after brainstorm for next.

Next: Dec 14 (a week early, to avoid Solstice, the day after CoCo)

Oct 19, 2020

Rula, Mugwort (minutes). Wildsong, Ian, Creature, Reeder, FfreE; Balance.

Agenda: Woodstoves, Feral Village, Hot House

GoDaddy services are down; no email; Communications meets tomorrow. Reeder knows basics of Web development.

Frost warning for Wednesday night.

Woodstoves

FfreE: My understanding is: big stove in Theresa is too large for the space, put in reserve for future Barn? Ian's recently-bought stove might fit well there.

Mugwort: Will an electric heater be enough for Altairia? Any word from last winter?

Rula: When I lived there, one radiator was fine, on the low setting. Perhaps might need a second heater on the other side?

F: Mistress and August are in Altairia 13/14; Ian's in Theresa with Reeder. There's a sheet between the two halves.

Rula: Let's ask Lycan about Theresa's stove.

Creature: I stayed in Theresa a month with August last winter, on that stove; it worked well after we swept the flue. Ian's stove sounds like it's smaller.

Balance: Lycan's no longer here. Tho I support our umbrella, let's realize they're gone, left in a bad way, don't rely on them.

MW: Regardless of how someone leaves, that doesn't have to mean not asking them for info if willing.

C: We have what we need to be safety-compliant.

Rula: Will current Theresa stove do?

C: It's been used recently, going well.

MW: Sounds like Ian wants to swap in their stove; any objection? Where store the old one?

Ian: No strong preference. Theresa stove sounds excessive; we'd also like to cook on it, which is more efficient with the 'new' one.

B: I'd help iif community wants to swap them. Could be used to heat the Barn.

MW: If to Barn, please run stovepipe out the wall; penetrating roof caused leaks last time.

F: Cobb/Killer's not currently ready to work on the **Barn roof**; maybe end of the month.

(Cobb plans to come down to help fix leaks and flaws in the Barn roof.)

C: Somebody else to work on it, in this sunny weather? Wish for knowledge transfer. Who? Lighthouse? How get up there?

Ru: Let's take on making a list of resources, readily available at times of Land need. I'll reach out to the people I know, see if they're available to be called. Perhaps a list by next Building Cmte mtg, then put out to the larger Nomenus community.

MW: We used to have an online [phone list](#) for the Land; resurrect that, add a section for craftspeople?

C: Boondok, Ti had previously expressed interest in Bldg; talk to them, draw fresh energy?

Creature: Feral Village / Winter Camp looks like it was inhabited in the past; there are steps cut in the hillside, above drive to THC. Want to make a flat space, work with water drainage. Hearth with yurt (catch flying sparks), but fire planned just for the wet season. Yurt is foldable, no foundation, just minor earthwork. Village aspect: winter project for low-impact outdoor kitchen along the springline. Maybe for Covid visitors?

Rula: Spring-line water tested as having fecal coliform; important to check! Also potential algae.

F: I've done that before; will do it.

R: Heart - in the yurt? C: Yes, rock/cobb-lined. It's a clay meadow area. Yurt has room to be safe around the pit fire (not a bonfire); smokehole at roof peak. Thinking about embers, smoke.

R: Need to watch out for CO buildup with an indoor fire; feeling uneasy.

C: Two close friends spent a winter in a similar yurt.

FfreE: Hot house: Mlstress put on roof, a bit warped in the sun, so stopped. Also windows in. Do we have receipt for the roof? (Ru: ask Thistle, or seek on land?) Need thicker plastic on top. I'll look up in the spreadsheet.

Balance: receipts are kept in Halston.

Wildsong: Chicken coop we've been talking about on the land. Between Edge and parking lot? Want to do it when inspiration strikes. Around the pumphouse for veg beds, due to water runoff. There are pipes; don't hit when digging, use mounds.

MW: Well pipes, wire run straight to Garden House. Soil in parking lot may be poor. Suggest spacing of chix from well head to avoid possible contamination.

Ru: Great idea. Beware of raccoons, who get in and kill chickens! If you use amended soil, mounds/raised beds, should succeed

C: Love chix idea. Recent egg shortage. Start hens in what season? Local egg sourcing (Azalea is \$5/doz, \$\$\$!) Try experiments: trailer egg, rotational grazing. movable house.

Creature: Thinking about a hand pump as backup water source, or a good filter.

Next: **Mon, Nov 16th.**

Wildsong: Lunar Samhain is Nov 14th.

Sept 21, 2020

Mugwort (minutes), Rula; Ffree, Pollen, Balance, Creature, Ian

QOTD: There are clowns everywhere, bursting in through the windows.

Barn plumbing has a leak at the (washing-machine) handwashing sink. Garden House shower sprays water. Alexis knows a plumber via Wellsprings. Pumphouse faucet's working (Creature fixed it, but it's a little

wonky and needs structural support.)

Barn roof: MW: recall the front and back walls aren't parallel. Towards the front, roof panels aren't lined up with the rafters, so the seams are "nailed" into open air. Next steps: mark floor below the leaks; **seek a faerie who can advise us on how to fix the problems.**

Balance: most worrisome leak is onto a pole with power wires!

Rula: original Barn poles were salvage from a railroad trestle.

Any other repairs needed?

B: I plan to do a new building in the next year or two, a hobbit hole, tucked away, up the hill from the transfem altar and Strawberry Fields (walking path beyond maypole meadow); near a seasonal spring. There's a shelf-shape carved out by the old logging road. I hope to dig a hole, work on a roof. Natural, found materials. Len was telling me that area of forest needs care.

Ian: Woodstove idea for the upgraded Altairia, from last meeting. Have high-quality stove and chimney parts; hope to have in by end of the week, as up to code as possible (chimney height above roof, clearances). It'll heat both 14 and Altairia, via a passageway.

Creature: Yurt (portable, with no platform), resourcing parts myself, will donate a table-saw blade. Plan for an open, rock fire-pit in the center with a smoke hole above. Around where Leaf camped in the past, by where the spring comes to the road, between Edge and Halston.

Micah (old car): Wildsong: someone's cleaning it up, to make a little love shack again.

PoC space getting lots of work, beginnings of an outdoor kitchen at the Edge for PoC campers. Thus far just poles, tarp, pallets; hope to add clay.

Woodshed at the Edge becoming a shrine; wood's stacked under the Edge, and there are woodsheds in parking lot.

Photos: MW sugg sending pictures to Happy Worker for newsletter.

Len's building a small chapel/altar for Random and himself, not far from Flush. Cement foundation and wooden frame. He wants something that can't be moved.

Creature: dreams of Queer Village, perhaps near where there's running spring water thanks to Ffree. More Templekeeper residential spaces. Feral/faeral village vibe. Rula: spring water may not be potable, please get it tested. Mountain beavers carry lots of diseases. Ffree: we're gonna hook up a purifying filter. Creature: will test after filter.

Great Circle: maybe a dreaming session about bathhouse, sauna. Alexis: take out the flush toilets from Flush. Creature: a chicken coop? Majesty: we have two ideas. Fenced in area with a coop inside, let them free roam during the day, some will die. Or, chicken tractor (big, wheeled, for 20 chickens), will send sketches to happy worker and bldg cmte. Thinking about coop design, insulation, heat lamp. Wildsong: prob not til Spring for a large number of chix; start building coop now.

MW sends local parcel maps to Creature, Wildsong, Balance (new address:

balanceinOR@protonmail.com), please update email lists. Send water-testing info to Creature, caretakers.

August 31, 2020

Meeting doesn't happen; only Mugwort.

August 17, 2020

Happy Worker, Mugwort (minutes); Balance, Wildsong, Reeder (listens in), Ian. (Rula, later)

Hot weather!

Johnson parcel, driveway, solar shower, community spaces

See [doc summarizing info](#) on the Johnson parcel.

Bridge has posts for rails, but not the rails themselves.

ZMS Stewards conference: no firm plans for this land community to call in yet.

Driveway: Balance: Ed (who removed dead trees before) dropped by recently. Finished drive street to bridge; potholes fixed, some curves smoothed to give better large-vehicle clearance, looks good. Working on parking lot to shitters, had to stop (tractor issue). Comes back in a couple of weeks. We should be all set from street to Barn plus offshoots; plenty of gravel thus far. His half-day thus far was \$250, so there are funds to cover. What about the exposed pipe - we put a little dirt over it. Maybe clear the mini-drive down to the lodge, and the section towards Box and drag closet. I don't feel THC drive should be worked on; leave as a walking, wheelbarrow path.

HW: Pictures, for newsletter.

Ian: I'm new to the Sanctuary, living here six months next to Altairia ("temperance"). Let's put a wood stove into that cabin, also to heat Altairia through a pop-off panel. There is one on the property that may need soldering, etc. Seems like a simple construction project. Otherwise I'll look for alternatives.

MW: I don't know history of stoves, which cabin that's from; it might be the one with failed welds. Concern: that cabin's small, might be over-kill or fire risk.

MW: Suggest Altairia would benefit from leak-sealing, insulation; it used to have big holes.

I: I plan on fire-proof floor, ensure exhaust clearance from trees, etc. Will look into that stove's history, viability, repair needs, parts list, etc.

HW: Plan on a report-back next month?

Solar Shower: MW: Boondok seeks a single point of contact for repairs, has trouble reaching anybody on the land. Note it's important that nobody other than him and Evie attempt repairs; there are specialized parts.

Balance: Ffree was focusing on it last; perhaps him as point of contact? WS and I have tried to reach Boondok.

Johnson parcel:

HW will email caretakers a link to the doc.

HW: Seller hasn't advertised or hired a realtor yet; is offering it to us first, as they agreed to do during the squatter episode. 2 parcels, may not be separable, he wants to sell together. Nice woman tenant in the trailer across the street, \$150k; our side of road, up to the creek, railroad takes a slice, almost 8ac, \$100k,

no buildings (old trailer burned down), well (high yield), septic. Potential well contamination from septic. Potential meth contamination; he has notice from county to remove trashed cars. He must test the well before sale. Rula's started work on a fundraising letter, will be seller contact.

Balance: Cars area has a former power drop; well looks partly dismantled, might have garbage dropped down it. That top area is of limited value. Heavy dumping on our side, plus RR, makes \$100k way overpriced.

WS: Being a landlord doesn't sound great to me. Dog Camp is a great area, lush, had a garden.

HW: Owner thinks they can divide, Rula thinks not due to zoning minimum size.

MW: Tend to agree with Rula about zoning vs subdividing. Let's work with seller to get the well tested; if contaminated, that greatly affects the value and usability. Also find a local realtor to arrive at an estimate of price. Tenants would be tricky for us; let's also look into a small group of faeries buying the land and using it themselves.

B: If there's a network of faeries who might invest in it that's great. Or, fundraise to buy. I asked locals about the squatters: the renter is mom of the Taylors; that's part of why the adult son squatted at Dog Camp.

MW: That's such basic info we didn't have!

WS: If we had to evict them, it'd be poor local relations.

B: Having a tenant would be a new, complex chapter for us. If we could get the lower part at a good price, yes.

MW: Our legal status is shaky until we own the driveway. Perhaps buy just that strip from faeries? There are many potential large donors to a big project, if clearly worked out.

HW: We'd need to be very clear about what we're asking money for. There are numerous faerie landlords. We could buy the whole thing and sell part later, perhaps.

MW: Maybe find a realtor, who could perhaps answer land-law questions? Or retain Duane Schultz?

B: Do we know what realtor they have? I can ask around.

(Rula joins)

Rula: I'll ask seller what realty company they're using. Realtors have limited knowledge of zoning; let's hire Duane.

HW: a Broker knows more than Realtor.

MW: Next steps? When do we ask Duane?

HW: We could have Duane questions within three days. (Can the parcels be sold separately? Zoning? Resp of seller around meth contamination land, contamination of well? Could we later transfer or swap bits of it so we own the driveway? RR crossing access? Potential displacement of tenant for owner occupancy? Cost to rezone us to Woodlot Resource?)

Rula: Duane earlier said we could deed a section to Nomenus. I found a list of all the crossings.

B: Could we get a mortgage? HW: Would depend on income, down.

WS: Not have to pay taxes?

R: Churches pay tax on non-church activities.

MW: We also voluntarily pay local prop taxes.

R: Taxes are lower for us than that parcel, because Forest Commercial defers taxes until logging. Min parcel size for both zones is 80ac, so can't split up or rezone just part of ours.

HW: So: find a local realtor. Members? Ask up and down the valley?

R: Any Oregon realtor can represent us.

MW: Ask Hammer, Boondok, Evie.

HW: Let's not let the tenant year and get anxious.

R: She's been steady.

MW: If she ends up our tenant, maybe let her know they're welcome to stay, provided they don't do stuff on

our side of the road.

Rula: contacts Duane Schultz, works on a general fundraising letter (not just for this parcel).

MW: Boondok wants to draft email to potential investors. ok?

HW: Run past a few of us, let us know who he approaches. Online ZMS conference: do we mention?

B, WS: sure.

MW: CoCo is almost 4 weeks off.

Next: Mon, Aug 31st, 7pm (for the Johnson parcel)

WS: Jackson Well (hot) Springs, locally, might be up for sale. Owners are getting tired of it. \$1-3M.

Beautiful, I used to work there, outside Ashland. There's an ongoing business, potential restaurant. Two of us know the owner; he'd respond well to a direct, solid offer. Dry sauna, steam room, massage rooms.

B: Faeries with deep pockets to own a magical hot springs - do it! There were a couple of faerie outings there. Pursue this after the Johnson parcel.

WS: The last price I heard was \$3m; later, I heard second-hand \$1m.

Balance: We've put a lot of energy into the land and gardens, towards harvest. We've all been working hard, and now opportunities are presenting themselves.

(Ffree joins.)

Ffree: I couldn't download a video chat that worked; no Internet on the land. B needs video.

MW: Could Internet be turned on for that project?

(long discussion follows)

WS, B: We can't name who made the decision to turn off the Internet (anonymity), don't know who has the modem. Will circulate, on the land, the idea of perhaps turning it on for the shower project; we can't decide that now.

MW, Ru: Internet was provided by Nomenus, is needed for this work. Why would it be a decision of the land visitors?

Ru: Having lived there, I understand the impact of Internet when there.

MW: I support days w/o WiFi, but why would non-Templekeepers have the power to decide what use we can make of the Internet? There's a big lack of transparency here! A "missing" modem is awfully close to theft; how can it not be known which of six people has it?

Ffree: I like Internet being off when it's problematic, but there should be a consensual way to access the box when it's needed.

July 20, 2020

Mugwort; Balance

Hot weather! Creek is still flowing and clear. The spring line has stopped (at least, during the day); Balance reports that water tastes good.

Easement parcel: Len's interested in maybe buying it. We've been seeking contact info for the owners from Happy Worker; Mugwort will check his old notes, etc, pass on to Balance for Len. Len feels his history would make him a good person to call them.

Driveway: Balance: I called gravel, likely schedule delivery this week, about \$600 (truck & trailer load, so it's a lot). Ed (the equipment operator) responded today, busy for the next few weeks, might be able to fit us in after that. This time of year, grading makes a lot of dust. I'd like to go from street, across the bridge, to the

Barn; that's about a day's work. If budget and time permit, maybe also do a couple of other spots (Garden House parking spot, path to Lodge?, low spots/ruts in parking lot). How much time do we spend? Full drive is about 8hr labor @\$50/hr. Smooth and spread gravel; no culverts. Culverts at the gate and greenhouse both seem solid, good. Exposed pipes by the shitters: do what? THC would be a lot of work and culverts; it's returning to nature, badly rut-damaged, goes right past Grandmother Maple.

MW: Makes sense to separate THC. Covering the exposed pipes would be good, if thick enough to spread out forces. (Those might be temp-unused conduit or old water pipes; note exposed temp-unused white conduit to right of Barn door, a few feet in front.) Protect upper culvert from clogging? Lower meadow has sometimes been car camping, sometimes emphatically no-cars.

B: That culvert was cleaned last Fall or early Winter (was filled with sand!), hasn't clogged since then, seems a low priority. I gave it cinder blocks, metal fencing. Gate down by the welcome tent? People tend to just zoom up whatever driveway, park. Basic wood fence where the parking lot meets meadow?

Accessible outhouse: MW: Would be good, so Tweet can have access again. Balance: a movable pit outhouse. Thinking about quarantine now with new land people. MW: Patrishit really could change to a barrel-compost system, using the new barrels. B: Princess arrives before long for 2-3 months.

June 15, 2020

Meeting doesn't happen...

May 25, 2020

Mugwort (minutes), Ffree, Reeder; Wildsong, Mawma Bear join later.
Balance has a schedule conflict.

Covid: MW: Perhaps we could have small gatherettes this Summer; what facilities would be required?

F: Garden House for residents only.

MW: Use the DoDeck, meet outside. Handwashing needs revamping; how dry our hands? Roll towels?

Food using servers, with a safety briefing (don't talk over the food)

F: Roll towels sometimes wick moisture through, I've seen. Can also circle under Grandmother Maple.

Greenhouse: Reeder: Frame is built, there are windows. Next step? Does Leaf have sketches, do they want to finish it?

MW: My impression is that Leaf left, might come back. Bldg Cmte didn't get sketches.

Ffree: One side is lower than the other. Design is probably conceptual. It seems Leaf's abandoned it; doesn't seem returning to Wolf Creek soon. It'd be a great hot house, but we're past that weather. Some had other ideas to add on to it. I'd envisioned it with a roof slope opposite of what it is; it looks weird in that place.

Wildsong: I'd like to deconstruct it; 2% done, more work to finish it, turn into something. Other projects could use the wood!

Reeder: Connie and I envisioned turning it into a loft; build onto the other side to add a greenhouse; that becomes too complicated. It's sloped the wrong way, N and not S.

MW: Since no arrangements were made about Leaf's travels and return, and we don't know if he plans to work on it in the future, I think we're free to do with it as we choose.

WS: Build a loft in the love lounge, for more space. Bunk beds in Cedar, Sage. I don't see somebody

wanting to do it.

MW: Support the land doing with it as they see fit.

F: I expect Leaf to visit in a year or so, not before. Could either tear down or turn into a hot house; it's not designed to be a living space, other than just for a cot. I'd thought Leaf was fully into this project.

Mawma Bear: it'd be useful in the spring.

WS: Pipe in vision garden was hit. Land needs a map or sketch of the water system.

MW: I'll look in files, maybe sketch something. Recall that Beulah, Carlos probably need cleaning, would be useful.

Free: I walked up to Starseed. I'd like to hook them up, as a reserve. There may be a cleaning/sanitizing solution, enviro-safe, phosphoric? Don't climb into the tanks; they're small. Abigail?

MW: Abigail was the very first tank, used only on the spring system. Let's be sure to use that water periodically to retain our water rights.

Free: Platform (space capsule): do something with it? I heard Palo wanted to put a yurt there.

Reeder: That fell through. Its floor needs help: a layer of wood, or pallets. (I found some for \$5) I'd put down pallets, then flooring; doesn't have enough framework underneath the floor now. Turn into a place to set up my tent. (I'm tented in parking lot; hear the chop shop, gunfire.) It might be suitable for a building in the future.

MW: Like the idea of fixing it up.

Reeder: There's another platform, on the way to the moon altar.

MW: Izz built that long ago; it's on neighbor's land (to the East, over the ridge/saddle). We should talk before anything with window & doors, but reinforcing a platform seems harmless.

F: That one may not be strong enough!

Post-meeting update:

Happy Worker raises concerns about the proposed driveway alignment: BLM may have an easement from our old driveway. Might get erosion, channel water since it runs downhill. Has heard concerns about a road across the meadow.

CoCo discussed driveway.

April 20, 2020

Rula, Mugwort (minutes), Balance

Budget is coming up at Great Circle.

Projects we'd identified, could fundraise for: We look at "#1" items in the project list.

Driveway repair (gravel, drainage, grading), level walking paths, ~~hazardous trees downtown~~, flyproof shitters, Barn handrail, Barn-front handwashing sink, Garden House summer livability, ~~Barn kitchen flyproof.~~

Mawma Bear is adding a front porch roof to Juniper; then will work on Barn handrails.

Halston stovepipe has been repaired (Balance); acceptable. Woodstoves are good.

MW: Barn kitchen flyproofing I've promoted, but I think is too much for this year. Rula: It helps to hang fly curtains in the doorways.

MW: How about Garden House summer ventilation (exhaust fan at wall peak), split-screens in doorways. Balance: Screen at door to mudroom, bathroom window, front door. Exhaust fan needs a way to close firmly. MW: I've used greenhouse fans; would want to build a cover on the inside, in addition to the auto-closing slats. Balance: Let's make it with a plug-in cord.

Trees: Balance: Local guy, Ed *, did THC trees and 2 big dead trees threatening the power line. One log rolled into the drag closet footbridge. (Maybe use that log as a new path?) There are 4-5 smaller dead trees, I don't feel we need to hire a pro; could be a Forestry Camp project.

Driveway: Balance: Possibly follow the footpath to THC, split off Garden House driveway at the statue not far from the greenhouse. That avoids wet areas; our existing driveway has lots of water. Parking at the THC clothesline. Rula: Practical idea! There's a swale to the left of it; it's on high ground. MW: New drive would need gravel; footpath might re-route itself. B: Old drive becomes a foot path, and there are lots of other routes. Rula: We need a good drive for firefighting gear. M: I like it! Does it need grading, or just gravel? B: Tree guy's rate to grade driveways is v reasonable. (The old route would need 5 culverts, French drains -- a lot.) He can spread gravel if we have it. R: Go with thicker drive that we expect; a new road surface will settle. Who needs to approve? MW: Let's mention it to Great Circle, see if there are concerns.

Before GC, Rula will look at this project list, circulate an estimate of costs.

Next: May 25, Memorial Day.

March 16, 2020

Catherine Ti, Mugwort (minutes); Balance

Agenda:

- Wishlist for 2020 Budget
- Sanitation improvements
- Mar 22 Master Plan meeting (!)

Greenhouse, garden expansion: funds approved last time. Balance: I think materials were bought. There's a frame for the new structure. Leaf moved off-land, plans to come back for a couple of weekends.

Driveway: no news.

March 22 planning mtg: cancelled.

MW: I'd like to look at sanitation improvements. (See Mar 13 email.)

Ti: Outhouses need attention, along with dishwashing and handwashing. Fly-proofing of outhouses; important for health of the land community.

Balance: Much discussion on the land about cleanliness of dishes, sterilizing handles. Emphasis on handwashing.

MW: We're months from being able to host large gatherings; maybe can get set up to safely host 2 dozen? Beezle's the big issue with flies.

Ti I camped in Idaho; terrible flies! One place had a gallon fly trap, worked great. Look in ranching stores.
MW: Yes, we've had big traps in the past! Let's set those up downtown.
What would help with land safety now?
B: At most 3 guests at a time now.

Budget wishlist:

Repair Flush. Driveway (grade, gravel, drainage). Dishwasher, handwashing. Propane tanks.
(Look at the project list to identify more.)

Next: April 20

Feb 10, 2020

Tyra, Leaf, Balance, Wildsong, Meadow, Palo; Mugwort, Rula

Agenda

- Large Propane tanks
- Road grading and graveling
- [Water Rights](#)
- [Greenhouse](#), garden
- Wheelchair access (Tweet)
- Starting time, meeting reminders

The wide-angle camera had strange color balance, and lost its foot.
Many Forestry Camp people have left. It was very informative!
We miss Boondok and Catherine.

Truck-delivered propane: Balance talked to a local gas co about leasing tanks. 120gal for pumphouse, 2 for garden house. They're about \$50/year each. Barn might need something larger. Carson Propane / Universal Propane in Merlin; they're where we've been filling our tanks, and have been flexible, much better prices than GPass. MW: Need to check if the gas co needs to inspect/approve the buildings. Tyra: go in stages, start with Garden House; Barn would be beneficial. MW: GH would need piping between the two sites. Balance: or one on each side of the building. I'll speak to Carson Propane, have them come out for a look.

Driveway, gravel: Tyra researched prices; see email discussion. Someone in email raised that there are different types of gravel (size, washed). Balance: One was \$520 for 20 yd. Once we have gravel, we can arrange for a grader to level, trench, etc. French drains will need landscape fabric; Ed suggested corrugated steel pipe to make a good pie for the water to flow. Might look for salvaged material.

Water rights

The last two July's we received a notice that flow was low and we needed to stop drawing on our water right. (See [photos](#) of docs. rights C-57975, C-59775) MW: This sounds like the notice we get every year about the creek.

Greenhouse, garden expansion

Leaf wrote up a [proposal](#) to build a smaller greenhouse (with mostly salvage materials) and enlarge the

fenced area.

Greenhouse 9x14' about \$500. It would be near the fork of the trail and driveway. Leaf was planning to use windows from the old thing near Kermit, with all the license plates; would disassemble the old outhouse/greenhouse. The handwashing sink is separate. Rula: built about 1987, as the outhouse; Beelzebub replaced it, hole was filled in, became a garden shed. MW: Doesn't sound like it has sentimental value. Rula: The big greenhouse shouldn't be oriented N-S like it is. Leaf: I plan to collect water in a black tank from the roof. A 100' hose can run from the existing garden to the greenhouse.

MW: Mediterranean climate means little summer rainfall. We had learned, in recent years the importance of having a carpenter sign off on building designs; is this large enough to qualify for that? After we approve, will need to coordinate with Thistle as to whether we have the cash.

We approve the new, small greenhouse for \$500, with disassembly of the old license-plated shed.

Proposal is also to enlarge the fenced area. Leaf: I amended some of that area last year, though deer broke in. I'd put in 8-12 squash mounds, not intensive agriculture; cover crop of strawberry clover. New area about 100x50' triangle. Could use plastic netting \$50, or metal fencing \$365.
(We'll come back to the fence next meeting.)

Wheelchair access

MW: Remember that Tweet could stop by the land if we had just a few changes: an accessible shitter, like we've discussed making near Cedar and Sage. And ability to wheel into Garden House.

Tyra: We have an accessible commode bucket, somewhere.

Meetings

Why do we meet at 7:30? *We like 7pm better.*

Next: March 16th. Not next week. 7pm.

Projects list

Somehow the rows got partially reordered.

for Next Meeting:

Meeting dates. Garden fencing. Driveway/gravel.

Jan 20, 2020

Rula (facil), Tyra Monsoon (notes), Caroline, Slyqueer, Catherine Ti

Grounding and check-ins

Adjoining parcel:

Rula: the transfer of title is in process waiting Len's signature, New residence location - any new information? None

Tree Removal -

Tyra: I believe the trees came down at the beginning of January

Rula: what projects are pressing on the land? Do we know? Additional ideas for the Master Projects list.

Limited budget - let's look at the high criteria, ones and twos. What can we do this year

Catherine: downtown tree removal is important and pressing because of danger and electricity.

Rula: have trees been identified?

Catherine: It's pretty clear which trees threaten the power lines. How much \$ does building committee have to allocate?

Rula: we don't have a fixed budget, but the Nomenus budget has a budget item for building projects.

Catherine: Building committee should approve removing those trees.

Rula: unaware of immediate need to remove trees around Halsten. CotL never brought it up as an immediate need. Land community can spend up to \$500 without further approval. The trees cost \$600 to remove. We have EDMC for immediate needs. Requires a certain amount of communication. Concerned land member posted on facebook. Declared people were in danger. If a decision is needed, reach out to mugwort or thistle. We can arrange for the money to be there. If we can wait until CoCo, we can bring it up there, otherwise, convene EDMC.

Caroline: (from noble) 5 close to THC were brought down. The downtown trees are not removed

Tyra: EDMC was called, but did not get together

Catherine: I'll reach out to balance and arrange for the same arborist to remove those trees.

Tyra: if these trees aren't urgent, maybe we see what forestry folx say about tree removal.

Rula: we haven't been keeping track of these issues. The trees have been there. We didn't notice they're threatening buildings and power.

Rula: Projects list. Unfortunate that land community is not here. We would work with them to prioritize projects. Interested in looking at two things: criteria #1 and funding needed for those projects. Criteria 1 projects are highest value

Catherine: did the leaks around the waterheater get done?

Tyra: I rerouted the exhaust and patched the roof. Still some finishing work, but the leaks are gone

Rula: Flush is both criteria 1 and 3

[various edits to master projects list, completed projects removed]

Rula: I think the stovepipes are a high priority

Caroline: Wildsong has been able to use the new-used stove in the edge.

Tyra: Balance use CSL and scrubbed the THC and GH stovepipes so they're not a fire risk with creosote

Ti: Culvert near THC would be good for preventing water erosion of road.

Rula: Dips in road where water collects needs a couple culverts. Let's get ed out for an estimate for drainage and grading.

Catherine: I'll talk with Balance about that.

Caroline: Ed says they can get the east meadow road done in one day. Land has been without power.

Balance tended woodstove pipes

Rula: mark that item completed, don't delete, so we keep a record. People feel like they don't know what happens to money once given

Tyra: Bunkbeds in the Elder cabins. I could build these, but I can't fund the project.

Slyqueer: if you build it they will come. If we had bedframes, we could get mattresses.

Caroline: there are two restores. Do we have a truck?

Slyqueer: buy mattresses new? Concerns about bedbugs or other issues with used mattress. There are bed-in-a-box options.

Ti: We might be able to get donated mattresses as a church.

Tyra: do we need to talk to Naraya folx? Elder cabins were built by and for Naraya.

Ti: badger built those and I was surprised he didn't build bunks. If not occupied, they could hold luggage.

Catherine: I will inquire with badger

Rula: twin mattress dimensions

Ti: did the deck at the edge get rebuilt?

Tyra: not as of the beginning of Jan, when I was at WCS.

Ti: category 1 or 2?

Tyra: It's a gaping hole in the deck. I say it's a safety issue. Cat 1

Slyqueer: I'd like to help with the bunk planning.

Ti: reviewing: will contact badger about bunks and contact balance about trees and road repairs. Also, checking with forestry organizers about tree removal.

Check-outs

Jan 5, 2020: Special meeting for long-term planning

[Agenda](#)

Present in Portland: Cathering Ti, Rula, Mugwort, Tyra Monsoon, Stella Maris, Boondok, Balance, Leaf

Present remotely: Connifer, Wildsong (fka Vili), Lil Spoon

Brainstorm: Three purposes of our Sanctuary

Hosting Gathering, Focus of spiritual community

Interconnected, sustainable intentional community

Woodland to tend in mutual relationship - stewardship and connection with nature

Collectively we came up with this list:

1. To hold Spiritual gatherings
2. To Nurture our spiritual community
3. Tangible focus for our energy, a place of our own - autonomy, privacy
4. Caretaking / templekeeping
5. Laboratory for faerie culture / experiment / land community / skillshare workspace
6. Place for visits
7. Space for experimentation and learning
8. Queer spiritual commune and ecovillage
9. A place for spiritual rejuvenation
10. Stewardship and connection with nature

Why we own this land

Propose to adopt these as our shared purpose for the purpose of planning infrastructure

Purposes of our Sanctuary: Straw poll - thumbs up all around

1. To hold spiritual gatherings
2. Queer spiritual community/ecovillage
3. Refuge / Sanctuary for people in the larger faerie community

Infrastructure

Barn	Cedar
Garden house	Sage
Dodeck	Alteria
Juniper	Edge

Theresa Halsten
Deer House
Shitters: Flush, Khermit, Beezlebub, patrishit

Water
Pump house Showers
Spring water Cisterns and pressure tank
Electric

The How-Value that guide our decisions

- Spirituality
- Sustainability
- Self-sufficiency
- Workshops/skillshares
- Living/working/playing/praying with nature
- Resilient
- Survivability in catastrophic change

Parking lot - future work

How to inform/involve larger community of our planning
 Photographes
 Needs
Great Circle - who approves

Next steps -> clarify charter

- Identify top projects
- identify what we want to accomplish in infrastructure this year
 - Proposals to G.C.
 - Proposals for other funding

Identify longer term top projects

- Rula is going to organize spreadsheet project list
- Next planning session
 - Continue master plan
 - charter -> our rolls, our authority to approve projects
 - Budget all
 - Promoting vision / plan with intentional community
 - engaging

March 22@Wolf Creek, 12-5pm

Break-away groups: Land community and Building divvy up projects on the spreadsheet