Ethician Foundation Board Meeting

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At 1:20 PM a meeting of the Ethician Foundation Board was held in Waterwood, Texas at Pelican II: The Institute for Strategic Biospheric Studies

Conference Center.

Present were:

Margaret A. Russell, Secretary George H. Russell, President Suzanne B. Russell, Member Karen L. Robinson, Member George A. Russell, Member

Nicholas M. Shurgot, Visitor Roberta Russell, Visitor

The meeting was called to order by GHR at 1:20 p.m.

GHR reminded non board members present that they may comment but are not permitted to vote.

George Russell opened a discussion of agenda items submitted to the board prior to the start of the meeting (see attached).

GHR introduced agenda item one as follows:

1. Discussion of the working relationship between The Ethician

Foundation and The Universal Ethician Church. The church and the foundation have had a long-standing cooperative relationship in which the church and been paying the foundation for management of church properties and the church has loaned the foundation, church equipment for work on foundation wildlife refuges and botanical preserves.

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The Ethician Foundation and the Universal Ethician Church have applied for FEMA grants which has been beaurecratically cumbersome to find out how to be reimbursed for the emergency work done after Hurrican Harvey. Meetings have taken place weekly with FEMA officials to discuss the process. Determining whether to combine the EF and the UEC in the grant request has been a point of discussion. An entity seeking a grant must first apply to the SBA and be denied a loan in order for eligibility to apply for FEMA grant.

The EF applied for, and was denied, a SBA loan. In the latest conversations, it has been determined that the UEC must apply for an SBA loan as well and FEMA granted the UEC an extension to apply for a grant.

Another question has been how to address work done by Mike Zeltner, Sue Ann Delk, Marilyn Phillips and Kristi Zeltnew who are technically on the EVN payroll but do "volunteer" work for the church and the foundation, while being paid by EVN. The church and the foundation are working with FEMA to determine if said "volunteer" work can be reimbursed and if my "volunteer" work supervising the HARVEY recovery efforts can be reimbursed by FEMA.

Item two was presented .:

2. Status of the sale of the 4.3 acre tract that will be donated 50% to the church and 50% to the foundation just before closing. The fail safe closing date has finally been scheduled to take place NLT October 31, 2018.

In regard to the 4.3 acre tract of land that has been under contract for over a year, an attorney bill has just been paid for work done in drafting a drop dead/fail safe closing date of October 2018. We needed to force closing date or put property back on the market because the UEC and the EF are essential out of funds and needs money to sustain its activities. GHR and SBR will donate the tract and 50% of proceeds will go to EF and 50% to UEC.

GHR addressed the third agenda item:

 Status of our request to FEMA for grants to help reimburse us for Harvey recovery costs, and mitigation costs associated with Harvey and the need to be better prepared for the next hurricane.

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The status of the FEMA request is complicated. In preparation for the next disaster, should it come, it would be good to have definitive list of FEMA reimbursable line items versus those things that would not be covered in an official disaster area.

The fourth agenda item was addressed by GHR:

 Status of Carlo upgrading the foundation web site to include more information about each museum and natural area and the inclusion of photo galleries.

Carlo Rodriguez has been occupied with website work and has been making progress on the sites. Theoretically, we should have a photo of all museum items. Karen has a video to transfer to a thumb drive of GHR describing the artifacts in the native people museum.

GHR addressed item five:

 Discuss problems with trespass, poaching, and illegal shooting adjacent to our Texas Parks and Wildlife Trail and natural areas.

Crimes perpetrated on natural areas and preserves continue. There was a group shooting guns onshore by boat. The game warden for the area was not concerned and stated that is was ok to shoot onto land from a boat, which is not the case. A second, newly hired game warden was contacted and he said his bosses said not to enforce the law for the Trinity River Authority.

The law does state that it is unlawful to discharge a rifle, pistol, or shotgun while in a boat within 600 feet of shore. GHR then contacted the warden captain in College Station who said that he was unaware of any such law.

Agenda item six, per GHR:

6. Discuss the litigation against 5T Utilities for destroying over \$20,000

worth of foundation trees.

5T Utilities cut down \$20,0000 worth of the Foundation's 100 year old trees at Waterwood. Their agents assaulted GHR and took his cell phone, in an attempt to destroy the video evidence. Three felonies were committed and GHR took the remaining evidence to the DA who then refused to prosecute. The San Jac Cty district attorney is a compromised figure. 5T also assaulted another resident at Waterwood named Chuck Bordo.

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GHR presented item seven for discussion:

Discuss illegal claims about back taxes being owed by the foundation and the church.

The appraisal district has been threatened with legal action after they are claiming back taxes due on chapel and cemetery land. The chapel land has been classified as exempt since 2000. Corruption is rampant.

Item eight, per GHR:

8. Discuss continuing harassment by Jack Zimmerman et al to impede

the foundation's legal constitutional rights of free speech.

Jack Zimmerman forced the EF to take down posted signs. As a courtesy, the EF sent out notices to WIA two weeks in advance to request any dissent against marking important trees with purple paint – trees not on Waterwood land. No response was made, then, after the fact, WIA accused GHR of being in contempt of court and threatened him with \$100,000 in fines and 54 years in prison. They forced him to pay \$1700 to avoid jail. Then, they mutilated 200 trees owned by the foundation and church.

Bar complaints are being prepared to be filed against Jack Zimmerman and Travis Kitchens. Travis Kitchens is suing the Foundation to steal the fire lane for the condo complex known as Bass Boat Village. In an attempt to build a WIA board of non corrupt members, GHR, Chuck Bordo and Ruth Massengil ran for seats but did not win, likely due to election fraud since Jack Zimmerman is in charge of collecting and counting votes.

Item nine is to open discussion to any other business.

9. Discuss any other matters that Board Members may wish to present.

There was no additional business introduced.

KRR moved to adjourn the meeting. GHR seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

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Signed,

Margaret Anne Russell,

Secretary