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**REGULAR MEETING**  
**October 28, 2008**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Kim Hoagland at 9:03 a.m.

**II. INTRODUCTIONS**

Present: Commissioners  
Kim Hoagland, At-Large  
Ed Jenich, Houghton County Board of Commissioners  
Allan Johnson, State of Michigan  
Clyde Raasio, Franklin and Quincy Township  
Steve Albee, At-Large

Not Present: Commissioners  
Susan Dana, Village of Calumet  
Robert Langseth, Calumet Township

Also Present: Keweenaw National Historical Park  
Jim Corless, Superintendent

Recording Secretary  
Bill Rosemurgy

Guests  
Paul Lehto, Calumet Township  
Scott See, Advisory Commission Fund Development Director  
Glenda Bierman, Quincy Mine Hoist Association  
Amy Wisti, Congressman Bart Stupak's office  
Amy Berglund, Senator Levin's office  
Kristine Bradof, Western U.P. Heritage Trail Network  
Kurt Hauglie, Daily Mining Gazette  
Jim Boyce  
Alice Boyce  
Matthew Liesch  
Judy Albee

**III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Moved by Raasio and seconded by Johnson to approve the agenda as presented.**

**Motion carried unanimously. (5/0)**

#### **IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF APRIL 22, 2008 AND JULY 22, 2008**

**Moved by Jenich and seconded by Albee to approve the minutes of both meetings as presented.**

**Motion carried unanimously. (5/0)**

#### **V. BUSINESS**

##### **1. COMMISSION REPORTS**

###### **a) Announcements – Kim Hoagland Report:**

1. \$20,000 grant received from Americana Foundation for Phase I of a multi-county above ground inventory of historic resources.
2. Commended the Calumet Historic District Commission for handling the situation of The Office Shop “Moose Door” admirably. Pointed out that the “whole is greater than the sum of the parts” when considering historic districts.

###### **b) Budget:**

**Moved by Albee and seconded by Johnson to approve bills for payment.**

**Motion carried unanimously. (5/0)**

###### **c) Clarification of role of Copper Country Preservation, Inc.**

No action.

###### **d) Fund Development Director – Scott See report:**

1. Organizational activities
  - a. Website development
  - b. License for CCP, Inc., to solicit charitable donations:
    - i. Michigan received
    - ii. Wisconsin pending
  - c. Non-profit postage permit
  - d. Donor spreadsheet
  - e. Michigan Tech students developing on-line FaceBook and MySpace awareness marketing
2. Quincy Smelter Stabilization & Restoration Activities
  - a. Levin
  - b. National Park Conservation Association and Michigan Historic Preservation Network
  - c. Mailing sent on October 14 to 10,000 individuals in Michigan and Wisconsin:
    - i. \$1,100 received from 30 donors

- ii. \$5,000 pledged by City of Hancock, City of Houghton researching
- d. Donor thank you's
- e. Press releases
- f. Last week of contract

**Moved by Albee and seconded by Johnson to approve proposal to extend employment contract for Scott See.**

**Motion carried unanimously. (5/0)**

**e) Partnerships –Steve Albee and Clyde Raasio report:**

- 1. Marketing group Fall meeting scheduled for October 30.
  - a. Educational component to be presented by KNHP staff will cover volunteer recruitment, training, and management.
  - b. Working on proposal for cooperative destination marketing of the 19 sites.
  - c. Self-evaluation document still under development.

**2. PARK REPORTS**

**a) Jim Corless, Park Superintendent (See Attachment #1)**

- 1. **No news on Advisory Commission appointments. Recommendations have moved from Regional office and are now in the Office of the Secretary of the Interior in Washington D.C.**
- 2. **Highlighted items from Superintendent's report to the Advisory Commission:**
  - a. Item 1. – Unit-Wide Meetings: Calumet Unit group met and discussed future of Calumet Community Church, increasing operational costs for many partners, and geothermal energy potential. Quincy Unit chose not to meet.
  - b. Item 2. – Quincy Smelter: EPA remediation plans of stamp sands continue. KNHP and EPA working to develop community planning activities for future use of smelter. EPA responding favorably to draft of NPS use agreement which is undergoing legal review.
  - c. Item 3. – Quincy Unit CLR: Workshops held with QMHA and A.E. Seaman Mineral Museum for future site use and visitor center location.
  - d. Item 5. – Calumet Unit Entrance Sign: Construction has begun and completion is anticipated this season. Raasio asked about signage at the Quincy Pay Office. Corless commented that typically visitors expect an exhibit or activities at a signed site and

since that was not yet the case at the Pay Office that sign was a lesser priority at this time, but is planned for the future.

- e. Item 6. – Keweenaw Heritage Grants: KNHP awarded \$30,000 in first-ever competitive grant program.
- f. Item 7. – Catalog of Technical Assistance Opportunities: Draft catalog has been developed by KNHP staff.
- g. Item 8. – Core Operations Analysis: Report proposes that core funding for operations be established with the addition of enhanced financial and technical assistance programs.
- h. Item 9. – Italian Hall Park: KNHP has entered into an agreement with the Village of Calumet for the management of Italian Hall Park. Discussions ongoing with Friends of Italian Hall Park for managing adjacent lots.
- i. Item 11. – Union Building Planning: Theme of exhibits will be “Life in a copper mining town”. Public meeting being held to present options and solicit sharing. Historian’s roundtable planned for January.
- j. Item 12. – Facility Proposal: Draft proposal reviewed by Midwest Regional Office.
- k. Item 13. – Accessibility Complaint: An ADA complaint has been filed with the U.S. Attorney General against a KNHP Heritage Site regarding lack of physical access. Complaint highlights need to heighten awareness of accessibility issues at partner sites.
- l. Item 15. – Smithsonian Affiliations: Superintendent investigating potential for KNHP to become affiliate of Smithsonian Institution which might mean artifact exchange, traveling exhibits, and heritage site assistance. Hoagland noted that SI has C&H drawings and the Ontonagon Boulder.

**b) Museum, Archives, and Historical Services – Jim Corless Report (See Attachment #2)**

**1. Highlighted items from report to Commission:**

- a. Item 3. – Student Intern at KNHP: Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania student recruited for 10 to 14 weeks. Will be working on Randy Weege papers, flattening rolled C&H drawings and maps, and assisting Old Victoria.

- b. Item 8. – KNHP Acquires the Randy Weege Papers: Personal papers and artifacts of Randy Weege, last chief geologist of C&H, have been secured. Additional items have been added to Park collection from Bill Ivey, Francesco Miglio, and the Killmar family.

**c) Interpretation and Education – Jim Corless Report (See Attachment #3)**

**1. Highlighted items from report to Commission:**

- a. Item 2. – Interpretive programs have concluded for the season. Visitor statistics were similar to 2007 with increase in Junior Ranger programs credited to Teacher-Ranger-Teacher program.
- b. Item 3. – Teacher-Ranger-Teacher program was a great success with one member being very active in local parades and public events and another who created a Keweenaw Heritage Site educational binder that will be distributed to all local schools.
- c. Item 5. – A total of 709 people participated in Fourth Thursday in History programs in 2008.
- d. Item 7. – Visitation and IRKPA sales in the new park headquarters increased dramatically this summer as compared to the former downtown Calumet location.
- e. Item 9. – Local elementary teacher, Holly Rivest, will be publishing local history book produced by her former third grade students.
- f. Item 11. – KNHP and IRKPA developing small interpretive guidebook for the park. Spurred by planned cruise ship visitation in 2009 and 2010 which has committed to providing one guidebook per cabin for a total of 500.

**d) Preservation Services – Jim Corless Report (See Attachment #4)**

**1. Highlighted items from Project report to Commission:**

- a. Quincy Mine Office – Slate roof and woodwork restoration project completed.
- b. Union Building Systems – Steam heating system rehabilitation contract has been awarded with completion anticipated by end of November. Window work projected for summer 2009.
- c. Union Building Interior Rehabilitation – Vertical access will be provided internally rather than via an external stair tower. While internal space will be

utilized, this option is preferable to construction of an external fixture.

- d. Quincy Boiler House No. 5 Smokestack – Unfortunately, a report from a consultant indicates that stabilization is not possible due to the deteriorated condition of the smokestack. Demolition bids have been received with work anticipated yet this season.

**2. Highlighted items from Facility Management report to Commission:**

- a. Youth Conservation Corp – This year’s YCC performed a multitude of historic preservation-oriented tasks including vegetation removal, masonry rehabilitation, and exterior painting. Workers also assisted with moving furniture at Keweenaw Heritage Center and litter cleanup in the Calumet industrial core.

**3. Highlighted items from Partner Project report to Commission:**

- a. Draft Sign Plan – Developed a sign plan to be reviewed by Historic Site partners, KNHP staff, and Advisory Commission.

**3. COMMISSION REPORTS**

**a) Johnson & Jenich**

1. Commended Scott See on work with Copper Country Preservation, Inc fundraising efforts for Quincy Smelter and work on the website.

**b) Raasio**

1. Commends Corless and KNHP staff on strong working relationship with Advisory Commission

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**1. Comments from Legislators or Legislative Staff**

- a) **Amy Berglund, Senator Levin’s Office:** S189 (park legislation) in Lands Omnibus Bill out of committee and is awaiting action. Senator Levin is still hopeful it will be approved this session.

**2. Comments from the Public**

**a) Paul Lehto, Calumet Township Supervisor:**

1. Developing proposals and ordinances for wind power generation on township property near Swedetown.

2. Requested that Advisory Commission approach A.E. Seaman Mineralogical Museum that C&H collection be exhibited in Calumet.
3. Thanked KNHP for awarding mini-grant to Township.

**b) Kristine Bradof, Western U.P. Heritage Trail Network:**

1. Made brief presentation of the work of the WUPHTN, a loosely-associated group of historic sites, museums, and commercial enterprises in the western Upper Peninsula.
2. Distributed copies of their published Travel Guide.
3. Exploring cooperative working relationships between WUPHTN and KNHP Advisory Commission and Heritage Site partners.
4. Funding for the organization is achieved on a per-project basis (signs, travel guide)

**c) Glenda Bierman, QMHA:**

1. Visitation numbers down slightly this season.
2. No. 6 locomotive in U.P. until next year.
3. Gift shop will be open again for the holiday season with limited tours available.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT; NEXT MEETING**

**Moved by Albee and seconded by Johnson to adjourn the meeting at 10:28 a.m.**

**Motion carried unanimously. (5/0)**

The next meeting is scheduled for 9:00 am on January 20 at Keweenaw National Historical Park Headquarters.

These unapproved minutes are respectfully submitted by  
Bill Rosemurgy



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## **Keweenaw NHP Document**

A2623 (KEWE)

**Superintendent's Office  
28 October 2008**

### **Highlights & Issues**

1. Unit-wide Meetings – The Park coordinated a Calumet Unit Managers' Group meeting on September 3 to discuss various issues common in the Unit, including difficulties in sustaining operations at the Calumet Community Church, a prominent historic landmark. Discussion ultimately focused on the difficulties many partners are having in managing utility costs and the potential for geothermal energy as a means to reduce these costs. Jim is exploring information on geothermal energy and means of funding a feasibility study through NPS sources. The Quincy Unit Management Group chose not to meet for the scheduled quarterly meeting in October due to CLR meetings with individual partners.
2. Quincy Smelter Jim and Landscape Architect Steve Delong continue to provide technical assistance to EPA in the remediation of stamp sand contaminants at the Quincy Smelter. The Park is also working with the EPA consultant on developing a community planning activity for the ultimate use of the Smelter, expected to be offered in the spring/summer of 2009. The EPA is reviewing a draft agreement with EPA developed by Jim and NPS solicitors that, when signed, will allow greater NPS participation at the site without risk of exposure to liability. The EPA has responded favorably on the draft which is undergoing legal review.
3. Quincy Unit CLR Our contractor, Quinn Evans Architects, has drafted alternatives for the management of the landscape within the Quincy Unit. Broad recommendations will be made for some parts of the unit, and character defining features will be described at the Quincy Smelter, but the focus of the plan is on the core industrial district on Quincy Hill. Workshops were held two weeks ago with the QMHA and A.E. Seaman

Mineral Museum; the alternatives consider visitor center location/co-location, integrated trails, site transportation, and interpretive opportunities. The next planning activity will occur in January with a public review of revised draft alternatives. Subsequent activity includes development of final alternatives and the completion of environmental analysis and final public review.

4. Quincy Smelter Fundraising Jim continues to work with CCP and other partners in the fund-raising campaign for the stabilization of the Quincy Smelter.
5. Calumet Unit Entrance Sign The park's first park or unit entrance sign, on the corner of Red Jacket Road and Rt. 41, is under construction this month. A time capsule was discovered during demolition of an existing sign, labeled to be opened in 2066. The capsule will be placed in the Park's museum collection for storage in better environmental conditions to be opened with the community in 2066.
6. Keweenaw Heritage Grants! KNHP awarded \$30,000 in its first-ever competitive grant program – in the form of ten grants to eight individuals or organizations.
7. Catalog of Technical Assistance Opportunities Park staff has drafted a catalog of the variety of technical assistance available to park partners, highlighting the areas of expertise we can make available to the Keweenaw Heritage Sites, owners of property of national historic significance, and other partners. The catalog also identifies processes related to scheduling and utilizing assistance, including advance requirements.
8. Core Operations Analysis Park staff has prepared alternatives to address the funding shortfall identified in the February 2008 core operations analysis workshop. The report also proposes a core funding scenario that would allow the park to fund its own operations and an enhanced financial and technical assistance program, and provide sustained support to the KAC. This report was reviewed by the MWRO on October 24. Thank you to the commission for their letter to the Regional Director in support of implementation of the core plan.
9. Italian Hall Park The Park has entered into an agreement with the Village of Calumet for the park's management of Italian Hall Park. Park staff undertook a site clean-up on October 21. Jim continues discussion with members of the Friends of Italian Hall Park to examine the potential of holistically managing, with the Friends, their two tracts and the Village's.

10. National Parks of Lake Superior Foundation Meeting in Calumet The NPLSF met for its semi-annual meeting in Calumet the week of September 8; more than 50 residents and partners attended a community open house NPLSF where the board presented the Park a \$2000 check for use in producing resource protection signage for Quincy Unit properties. New project proposals for 2009 funding are due to NPLSF in December.
11. Union Building Planning This week, the Park is reviewing schematic design alternatives for the Union Building exhibit. A public meeting will be held tonight, and invitations have been distributed to a wide range of community organizations for further sharing with their members. In January, the exhibit firm will host a Historian's Roundtable with prominent historians in mining, labor, fraternal organizations, and other related topics reviewing exhibit outlines and content.
12. Facility Proposal The draft Keweenaw NHP NPS Facility Proposal was reviewed by the MWRO this month and discussed with Jim last week.
13. Accessibility Complaint The U.S. Attorney General forwarded through Department of the Interior channels a complaint from a park neighbor regarding the lack of physical accessibility at one of the Keweenaw Heritage Sites. Because of the nature of the agreements between the Heritage Sites, the Advisory Commission, and the the National Park Service, the Park and MWRO determined that the proper means of complaint was through ADA procedures rather than the equivalent law that requires accessibility in Federal facilities. However, the complaint clearly demonstrates the need to foster enhanced accessibility at all NPS and partner sites.
14. Status of S.189 Senate Bill 189, which contains amendments to KEWE's enabling legislation, has been incorporated into a federal lands omnibus bill which may yet be considered in this congress.
15. Smithsonian Affiliations Jim is meeting with representatives of the Smithsonian Affiliates program in Washington in November to discuss potential collaboration through this SI outreach program. The hope is that KNHP could become an affiliate and make benefits available to some degree to KHS partners.



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**Division of Museum, Archives & Historical Services  
28 October 2008**

### **Highlights & Issues**

16. Collections Care. This September saw yet again another changing of the guard in regards to the division's collection care program. MTU IA Masters candidate Andrew Mueller left KNHP for a Teaching Assistant position at the university and has been replaced by former KNHP employee and current IA Masters candidate John Griebel. John has ably stepped back into the program and is once again providing excellent care and protection of the park's museum collections. Andrew had performed ably as both museum technician and as a field archeologist assisting Jo in her work monitoring the archeological impacts of two projects that included ground disturbances. He will be missed.
17. Fourth Thursday in History Talks. Since the July report, MAHS staff coordinated three more of the park's Fourth Thursday in History programs. This July divisional staff coordinated a talk and guided tour by Professors Larry Molloy and Phil Mason on the history of the Cliff and Central mines. In August staff participated in the Friends of Fashion showing of vintage French-Canadian-related clothing at the festival in Chassell. In September, divisional staff coordinated a Union Mine guided tour and talk by Porcupine Mountains Wilderness State Park Ranger Bob Wild.
18. Student Intern at KNHP. Park archivist Jeremiah Mason has recruited David Morris as a full-time student intern to work on a variety of park projects this fall semester. A park and resources management graduate student attending Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania, David has committed himself to 10 to 14 weeks working on projects for all divisions of the park. These projects include: inventorying, re-housing, and shelving the Randy Weege papers, flattening rolled C&H drawings and maps, assisting Old Victoria with a structural assessment of two company houses, writing the park's Structural Fire Management Plan, and assisting the park architect with cost estimating and project narratives for proposed park rehabilitation and construction project.

19. Oral History Project. Interviews and transcription work continue.
20. Society of American Archivists (SAA) Meeting. In late-August, park archivist Jeremiah Mason and park museum curator Brian Hoduski attended the Society of American Archivists meeting in San Francisco, California. There were many excellent sessions, with many of those focused on applying the concept of “Less Process, More Product” to archival work. The “LPMP” concept evolved as a means of improving researcher access to archival collections by reducing cataloging backlogs. The park is looking at utilizing the “LPMP” concept to reduce its cataloging backlog.
21. Union Building Research, Planning, and Design. The Union Building has been a central focus for division staff. Since the division’s report in July, staff have been comprehensively involved in the overall planning efforts for the Union Building’s rehabilitation and its exhibit installation, including charrettes, regular meetings, and workshops. Park historian Jo Urion has been working closely with a HFC historian and with the exhibit contractor to identify research needs, develop scopes of work, and to select researchers. She is also arranging a Historian’s Roundtable to review the exhibit design this January. She reports that the historians she has contacted have been very pleased that the NPS is planning an exhibit interpreting a mining town. Other aspects of the division’s efforts revolve around the identification of objects for exhibit and in doing biographical research.
22. Section 106 Compliance. Park historian Jo Urion, under the direction of MWAC archeological staff, monitored two projects late this summer. One, the replacement of the historic “Calumet” sign with a park entrance sign at the intersection of Calumet Avenue and Red Jacket Road. Two, the installation of a new water line to the C&H Warehouse No. 1 for a new fire suppression system. Notably, the work on the sign discovered a C&H time capsule placed there for the company’s 1966 100 year anniversary. Because the time capsule was slightly damaged by the excavator, and for preservation purposes, the time capsule will be stored (unopened until 2066) in the park’s museum storage facility.
23. KNHP Acquires the Randy Weege Papers. At the end of July, park archivist Jeremiah Mason and team traveled to the home of Randy Weege, the last chief geologist of C&H, where they packed and moved his personal papers and objects associated with C&H mineral exploration. This very exciting donation should allow an in-depth exploration by mining scholars of the last days of Calumet & Hecla and of the profession of mining geologist. In addition, the park has received from Bill Ivey, a circa 1868 Hecla Mining Company supply ledger, and from Francesco Miglio, some historic papers and about a dozen digital images of circa 1880s Calumet. The Killmar family donated additional family materials, including historic photographs, papers, camera, and revolver.
24. Research Conducted at the Keweenaw History Center. Since the division’s July report, park archivist Jeremiah Mason has provided 56 individual research visits or reference requests.



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## Keweenaw NHP - October 28, 2008 Interpretation & Education Update

### Interpretation & Education Activities:

1. Union Building interpretive exhibit planning work continues. Park staff, Kim Hoagland, Midwest region staff and Harpers Ferry Interpretive Design Center staff met with the Office of Krister Olmon, Inc. – the exhibit planning and design contractor to provide background information on the park to discuss exhibit ideas and approaches. In September, the park received, reviewed and commented on a project brief/trip report provided by the contractor. The park also received, reviewed and commented on an evaluation plan to coordinate front-end and formative evaluations in conjunction with the project. The park will be receiving from the contractor on October 20, all Schematic Design I documents which will include three preliminary exhibit treatment proposals. Front-end evaluation focus groups will be conducted by a sub-contractor of the planning and design firm **October 23 – 25**. A Value Analysis of the exhibit proposals for the Union Building interpretive exhibits will take place from **October 28 – 30**, 2008 and will include staff or representatives from Krister Olmon, Inc, the park, advisory commission, Harpers Ferry Interpretive Design Center, Midwest Regional Office and park partners. A public meeting will be held on the evening of **Tuesday, October 28** at park headquarters starting at 6:30 p.m. to gather public input on the proposals.
2. Interpretive programs concluded on August 30, 2008. Visitor statistics for interpretive programs were about the same as 2007 with an increase in Junior Ranger programs due to the new Teacher Ranger Teachers. The new Keweenaw Star boat tours were not as successful as hoped with only two tours occurring during the summer season.
3. The Teacher Ranger Teacher program was a great success with the following highlights: Julie Dlubala participated in local parades and events handing out park information and reaching an estimated 1500 visitors. Deirdre Erbisch created a Keweenaw Heritage Site education binder that will be distributed to all local schools (40) in the four county area.
4. Kathleen Harter, Julie Dlubala and Deirdre Erbisch did a presentation at the October 10 teacher in-service for approximately 15 local educators.
5. The 2008 Fourth Thursday in History series concluded on October 23 with a talk and tour of the newly rehabilitated park headquarters building. A total of 709 people attended 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday programs in 2008.
6. Park staff and interpretation provided tours for the National Parks of Lake Superior Fund board in early September.
7. Visitation and IRKPA sales in the new park headquarters building increased dramatically during the summer season as compared to the downtown Calumet location.
8. Short and long-range planning is underway with Old Victoria following recent site visits and discussions.
9. Local elementary educator Holly Rivest is close to publishing a local history book produced by her former third grade students. She is in the final design review stage. Park staff provided review comments along with park and Keweenaw Heritage Site photographs.

**Media Update:**

10. Revisions and updates occurred on the Unigrid with printing and delivery of new supply slated for November 2008.
11. The park and Isle Royale and Keweenaw Parks Association are in the beginning stages of producing a small interpretive guidebook for the park. Submissions for Request for Proposals is underway between now and November. Jill Burkland can be contacted for details and copies of the RFP.
12. Updates and additions to the web continue as needed. Recently added items include a page on the Quincy Cultural Landscape Report project which includes the draft of part 1 of the Quincy Cultural Landscape Report; a page for the Union Building Interior Rehabilitation project which includes background information and project updates; a “Join Our Friends” page which has links to Copper Country Preservation Inc., National Parks of Lake Superior Foundation and the Isle Royale and Keweenaw Parks Association; and miscellaneous updates or additions such as press releases.

**Miscellaneous Activities:**

13. Kathleen is working on the park interpretive plan when time allows. A firm draft must be completed in time for the November DAB of the Union Building.
14. Dan continues to be involved in the Marketing Committee when time permits.

## **Report to KNHP Advisory Commission**

Preservation Services 10/21/2008

### **KNHP Project Updates:**

#### Quincy Mine Office Slate Roof and Woodwork Restoration

- Project 100% completed end of September 2008.

#### Union Building Steam Heating System Rehabilitation

- Contract awarded to R.C. Mechanical Inc.
- Project proceeding as planned (85% complete) with completion scheduled for end of November.

#### C&H Warehouse No. 1 Water and Electrical Service Upgrades for Future Fire Suppression System

- Contract awarded to Yalmer Mattila Inc.
- New water service to building completed.
- New electrical service scheduled with UPPCo.
- Project proceeding as planned (75% complete) with completion scheduled for December.

#### Union Building Interior Rehabilitation

- Architectural Value Analysis workshop was held the week of July 21, 2008.
- VA Outcomes: Identified best approach for rehabilitation and treatment of historic architectural fabric, determined best design solution for achieving universal accessibility and code compliance (egress), and established working budget.
- Schematic Design report completed by Smithgroup Architects.
- Union Building Historic Structures report, Part 2 Treatment and Use under production jointly by park staff and Smithgroup Architects.
- Exhibit VA scheduled for week of Oct. 24, 2008 – recommendations from the exhibit VA will be integrated into the architectural schematic design.
- DAB presentation planned for March 2009
- Pending DAB approval, a contract for design development (construction drawings and specifications) will be awarded.

#### Stabilize Quincy Boiler House No. 5 Smokestack

- Report received from consultant and discussed with QMHA.
- QMHA has received bids for demolition options consistent with the report findings.

#### Quincy Unit Cultural Landscape Report

- KEWE Landscape Architect Steve DeLong and Quinn Evans | Architects Associate Brenda Williams met with representatives from the Quincy Mine Hoist Association, A.E. Seaman Mineral Museum, the park Advisory Commission and park staff to discuss the development of landscape treatment

alternatives for the Quincy Unit Cultural Landscape Report. The CLR team is working toward development of landscape treatment alternatives to be available for public review and comment later this year.

#### Calumet Entrance Sign

- Project is underway with completion of excavation, recovery of a C&H time capsule, construction of a reinforced concrete foundation and erection of steel and masonry support structure. Currently more than 50% of the stone masonry has been completed by Steve D'Agostino. Delivery of the wooden beam is expected shortly with carpentry to follow. Estimated completion date is near the new year.

#### C&H Warehouse #1 Water and Electrical Utility Upgrades Project

- Worked with project team to develop a solution for electrical distribution to the building.

### **Facility Management**

#### Facility Management Software System (FMSS) and Park Asset Management Plan (PAMP)

- Regional PAMP team was at the park the last week in August, meeting with Facility Management staff; the plan is complete and is now on review before going to Washington Office.
- KNHP Maintenance Worker Ken Kipina is currently closing out the FY08 project and Work Order close out process and setting up the FY09 program work orders and labor tracking sheets.

#### Youth Conservation Corp (YCC)

- Completed 8 week YCC season with a crew of 4 local high school youths and seasonal Work Leader Craig Koski; the crew performed a multitude of historic preservation-oriented tasks, including vegetation removal as part of emergency stabilization and rehabilitation on some of the park's historic stone masonry structures in the Quincy District, transported, loaded & unloaded supplies, materials, equipment; cleaned and inventoried artifacts at Keweenaw History Center; performed alley cleanup and vegetation management in Agassiz Park with Village of Calumet; assisted St. Annes Heritage Center moving furniture, building material & equipment; extensive exterior painting at Quincy Mine Hoist Association structures; painting at Coppertown; regular litter cleanup in Calumet's industrial core; performed routine park maintenance tasks.

#### Preservation Maintenance

- NPS Historic Preservation Training Center (HPTC) Project Manager Karl Benda completed his 13 month term appointment with KNHP in September. Karl provided onsite project management for the KNHP General Office Building (HQ) Interior Rehabilitation project as well as other COR duties for the park.

- Seasonal Carpenter/Mason Steve D'Agostino and seasonal Maintenance Worker Nick Steber completed an extensive amount of historic window repairs and rehabilitation on Warehouse #1 and other KNHP structures; continued progress on interior of leased Carpenter Shop space in Calumet Township; investigated and treated serious insect damage on Admin. Building Pay Shed interior wood beam structure, purchased replacement material for rehabilitation; in September provided demolition of existing sign/base and began construction of a large stone base for new Calumet/NPS entrance.
- Environmental Cleanup Liabilities (ECL) quarterly report, FY08 Annual Energy Report, FY08 Environmental Management Status (EMS) Report, FY08 Fleet Management Report (FAST), FY08 PMIS project Completion Reports, FY08 YCC Completion Report all being submitted.
- Completed numerous FY09 annual service agreements with local vendors: Custodial Services, Snow Removal, Otis Elevator Service, and Midwest Security Fire/Security Monitoring.

### **Partner Project Update**

#### Village of Calumet Village Historic District Commission (HDC)

- On-going assistance to property owners
- Design review consultation

#### Outreach and Education

- Fourth Thursday in History presentation – C&H General Office Building-Steve DeLong and John Rosemurgy
- Developed a DRAFT Preservation Services Division catalog of technical assistance.
- Met with Gratiot Lake Conservancy to explore and discuss preservation issues related to their property.

#### Copper Country Trail Advisory Committee

- Participation in Copper Country Trail Advisory Committee meetings. The group is working toward establishing an organizational governance structure.

#### DRAFT Sign Plan

- Developed a 90% DRAFT sign plan to be reviewed by KHS partners, park staff and the KAC. Review process to be defined and shared in the near future.

#### Calumet Main Street Design Committee

- On-going technical assistance and participation in the Downtown Walkability study with Dan Burden.
- Provided an overview of Agassiz Park to visiting lecturer Susan Saarinen.

#### Italian Hall Site

- Organized a fall cleanup of the site to include pruning of invasive plant materials, raking and removal of leaf litter, removal of trash and brush. Two pickup loads of materials were removed and disposed of properly.

#### Quincy Smelting Works

- Provided a tour of the smelter with Glenn Mroz and stakeholders from the KAC, Franklin Township and MTU.
- Continued participation in EPA conference calls about site remediation planning.

#### Quincy Mine Hoist Association

- Met with George Kiiskila and Pat Martin to discuss the proposed re-roofing project for the Quincy engine house. Discussed issues related to archeology, site and structure improvements.



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## Keweenaw NHP Mgmt. Asst. Report – Oct. 28, 2008

1. I taught two sessions at NPS Fundamentals II at the time of the July Advisory Commission meeting. I would like to reiterate that this is an outstanding program that orients employees and partners to the history, vision, and mission of the NPS, in addition to providing excellent tools for contributing effectively to their workplace. This training is an effective and efficient means of providing a thorough understanding of the National Park Service and its values, how the NPS works with outside partners, and of instilling a strong stewardship ethic for our nation's natural, cultural, and historical treasures. I would like the Commission to consider having this outstanding opportunity regarded as an immediate training requirement if and when an executive director is hired. Cost of the training would be borne by the NPS, while the Commission would cover travel expenses. The investment of both time and financial resources would bring returns many times over by providing a solid foundation and understanding of the NPS and its mission, and how the Commission can interface with the NPS and its various partners in the most efficient manner possible. The Commission is already doing a fine job of working together with NPS staff here at Keweenaw NHP; this training would help to elevate those efforts to even higher levels, and solidify this relationship that is the core of this park.
2. I continue to work closely with the Main Street Calumet program, serving on its Board as a non-voting, ex officio member. Their efforts continue to strengthen Calumet's economic viability while fostering a strong historic preservation ethic. As I learn more about other Main Street communities, it is obvious that Calumet's program, and the community's participation, sets the bar for historic preservation that the others aspire to.
3. I met with an agent from the Office of the Inspector General in August to review the park's procedures and records management in regards to Agreements. After interviews with myself and several staff members, he spoke highly of the procedures that have been instituted at the park, and will be following up with recommendations for further strengthening of that program.
4. The park's first-ever open competition grant program met with great success as the park awarded ten grants ranging from \$1,000 to \$6,000 to a total of eight applicants. A total of \$30,000 in NPS funds made available from the park's base operations account was awarded. A truly cooperative effort between myself, the grantees, and the Midwest Regional Office's Contracting Division resulted in the successful awarding of the Grant Agreements within days of the final cutoff for Fiscal Year 2008. The typical grant agreement takes nearly a month to process, yet these ten agreements were processed within 14 days.

5. I procured a complete sound system for the multipurpose/training room prior to the close of the fiscal year. The installation includes a professional amplifier/mixer, six speakers, two independent wireless microphone systems with theater-style over-the-ear, handheld wireless, and lapel microphones. The audio system is further enhanced by the installation of an assistive listening system for the deaf and hard-of-hearing, which will accommodate four users at one time.
6. Environmental compliance for the Union Building project has begun, and efforts will continue for several months. The scoping process indicated that an Environmental Assessment needs to be undertaken for the project, which involves detailed research and analysis, and quite likely some public meetings. The Commission, as the park's conduit to the general public, will be an integral partner in this process. The public will have ample opportunity to provide input and comment through the use of the National Park Service's PEPC system – Planning, Environment, and Public Comment. The system is accessible to the public through its website at [www.parkplanning.gov](http://www.parkplanning.gov) – there, the public will be able to review the project, the analysis documents, and provide comment. The typical result of an Environmental Assessment is the filing of a Finding of No Significant Impact or FONSI. The Regional Director will be the signatory for the FONSI.
7. I am currently guiding park staff through an Information Technology Security requirement to ensure that all NPS technology systems are protected from intrusion by hackers, physical threats, and natural disasters. The process, directed by the Office of the Chief Information Officer at the Washington Office and referred to as Certification & Accreditation, will continue throughout FY2009, and will consume many hours of staff time to accommodate all of the requirements.
8. Myself, Landscape Architect Steve DeLong, and Chief of Interpretation & Education Kathleen Harter continue to work closely with the Copper Country Trail National Byway group. They are approaching a decision on an organizational structure for the currently informal group. Discussions addressed the potential for the NPS assuming a leadership role in the organization, but I reminded them that, while we hold an intense interest in the activities and outcomes of the Byway, the NPS would be restricted to serving in a non-voting role due to the high likelihood of Federal assistance to the National Byway effort. I assured that our commitment to the appropriate development, operations, and success of the Trail would not waver.

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