

Park County Historical Society

A Colorado Non-profit Corporation

Meeting Minutes

January 17, 2014

The Regular Meeting of the PCHS Board of Directors was called to order at approximately 6:35 PM with the President, Dee Brown, presiding. Dee extended a welcome to new Shawnee members, Ken and Heather Dunn.

Attending:

Directors: Dee Brown, Karen Christenson, Jim Sapp, Craig Christenson, Barbara Jerome Behl, and Roger Christenson.

Committee Chairpersons, members and guests: Arthur Hall, Heather Dunn, Ken Dunn, Larry Behl, Pat Mauro, and John Rankin.

NEW BUSINESS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

TREASURER'S REPORT – Bill Kulenburg - (absent)

Bill provided the following financial summary to the PCHS Board of Directors in advance of the meeting. Jim Sapp read the report into the record in Bill's absence. There was no motion to approve the Treasurer's report.

ACCOUNTS:

PCHS Checking	\$2,410.42
PCHS Savings	\$8,557.34
Sub-Total	\$10,967.76
PCHS Cash on hand	\$57.26
PCHS Total	\$11,025.52
Shawnee Historical Savings	\$2,814.73
Total	\$13,840.25

FUNDS:

Mosquito Book Fund (<i>in savings</i>)	\$45.07
Caboose Renovation Fund (<i>in savings</i>)	\$1,236.00
Security Camera Fund (<i>in savings</i>)	\$641.78
Restroom Donations (<i>in checking</i>)	\$102.20

Boat Shed Donations (<i>in checking</i>).....	\$170.84
Store Income (<i>in checking</i>)	\$496.00

Bill also provided an expense report for calendar year 2013. This expense report, in conjunction with input from the Board of Directors, will be used in preparation of the 2014 operating budget. All Board members are requested to prepare budget items for the coming year.

After discussion, including many unanswered questions, the approval of the PCHS insurance policy was deferred until next meeting.

SECRETARY REPORT – Jim Sapp

Nothing to report.

MEMBERSHIP – Karen Christenson

Karen reported that there are 196 members in the PCHS including the Shawnee membership (52).

FUNDRAISING - EVENTS – Karen Christenson and Dee Brown

Karen reported that Bernie Nagy has asked to cancel his presentation for March due to unforeseen circumstances. Karen and Dee will determine who will be the next speaker.

PROMOTION – Craig Christenson

Nothing to report.

SHAWNEE HISTORICAL SOCIETY – Barbara Jerome Behl

Barbara reminded everyone that the Shawnee Branch meets the third Tuesday of every month. The next meeting will be January 21st. The focus of the next meeting will be on the goals for the coming year.

The next planned event will be the Shawnee History Day on May 10th. No plans have been finalized as yet, however, the Branch is considering an expanded event at the Platte Canyon Community Center. The expanded event may include presentations, booths, pot luck and music. More details will be provided once a chairperson is identified and plans are finalized.

Barbara reported that prior events produced moderate financial success.

FIELD TRIPS – Pat Mauro

Pat reported that tour plans have not been finalized, however, several are being considered including:

- A visit to Dyersville - Dyersville is located on the other side of Boreas Pass and is the site of Father Dyer’s mine.
- A visit to portions of the Zebulon Pike route through Park County. Dee asked that we coordinate with Linda Balough, Director, Park County Department of Historic Preservation.
- A return visit to Salt Works Ranch.

Dee Brown reported that she, representing the PCHS, has been invited to the Grand County Historical Society to participate in a Zebulon Pike presentation with Jim Yust and Rex Rideout in March.

NEWSLETTER - Dee Brown

Dee suggested that the next newsletter be prepared by the end of February, however, she has not coordinated with Yvonne to determine her schedule.

CURATOR – Dee Brown

Dee reported that the rodent bait traps are being inspected and maintained on a regular basis.

Dee reminded everyone that the mattresses should be put in a plastic cover to prevent bed bugs.

John Rankin mentioned that his candidate for a docent position has moved away and would not be available to serve as a docent.

Dee reported that docent training will begin later in the year when weather improves.

OLD BUSINESS

Caboose - Karen Christenson

Karen met with Troy Phillips and received a quote to re-upholster the mattresses in the caboose. The quote was \$1850. Karen and Craig researched other upholstery services and determined that the quote was much less than others could match. There are partial funds currently allocated to cover the expense with the balance (approximately \$600) to be raised in upcoming fund raisers.

Following the discussion, Heather Dunn offered to re-upholster the cushions. She has the experience and the equipment to do the work.

Motion: Jim Sapp moved that Heather meet with Dee and Karen to determine the requirements and present a cost proposal for review and consideration. Dee and Karen, on behalf of the PCHS, will make a selection from the two proposals and approve the expenditure to re-upholster the cushions in the caboose not to exceed \$1850. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved by the Board of Directors.

Related to the caboose:

Art Hall mentioned that the platform ends of the caboose are a safety hazard and need to be repaired. He also indicated that the hand rails are in the Annex shed ready to be installed.

Pat Mauro indicated that he has prepared a list of the required bolts and will obtain a cost estimate. Art also indicated the he also has a partial list of the required bolts.

Open Discussion

Dee reported that Cowboy Christmas went very well. There were only two non-profits participating and they will both be receiving proceeds from the event. The amount is unknown at this time.

Pat Mauro inquired about the members that joined the PCHS on the day of the event. Karen provided the information. Pat further mentioned that one of the new members proposed

installing a solar system in the caboose. The system will provide power to the original lighting system in the caboose. Pat will follow-up on the offer and present the details to the Board.

Pat also indicated that there are plans underway to install rail track from the Como depot to the hotel. Pat will keep the PCHS informed on the project as it develops.

ADJOURN

Motion: A motion to adjourn was made, seconded and unanimously approved by the Board of Directors.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:20 PM.

The next Regular Meeting is February 21, 2014

Respectfully submitted,



Jim Sapp
Secretary, PCHS

Approved by majority consent of the PCHS Board of Directors on xxx xx, 2014