

May 2010 PHCS Minutes

Call to Order: 6:34 PM

Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag led by: Jim Sapp

Approval of April 9, 2010 Minutes: minutes were approved without change.

Linda Balough and Ashley Bushey attended and explained that it was a unanimous decision to forward the nomination of Shawnee to the National committee for consideration for addition to the National Register.

Linda also reported that the shooting range is being moved an area known not to contain any former possible historical sites. This will allow an interpretation to be added covering the history of the site and the mine. This would cover mining, ranching, group and ethnicity of people to the area. Information will also include the mine explosion that caused loss of life. Brian Heber asked when the historical locations will be identified. Linda said this is planned ASAP. The shooting range plan will come up in front of the County Planning committee in June. Archeological and a subsidence report will need to accompany the plan.

There will be an archeologist on site when any digging is taking place. DOW is covering the protection of the wetlands in the area. There needs to be a plan in place to control the litter on the property. The property is owned by the county. The range is being built with a grant from DOW. Bill Van Gundy, Monty Gore, John Degan, and Mr. Nichols are on the shooting range board. Linda was not sure who controls the property from the county or particulars of the agreement.

Action Item: need to find out the particulars of county control and the agreement between the parties of interest.

Linda also discussed the affect of the new county office building and the library on the historic Park County Court house. The National Register and State Historical Society have reviewed the plan. The plans have been approved by the State Architect and National Register. Heat and ADA accessibility will be provided by the new building to the court house. A bridge will connect the new building to the old . Two windows on the old court house will be modified to allow entrance to the property from the new building. Both can be restored easily to their original state. The new building is purposefully designed to be very different yet complimentary to the old court house. The old court room will be restored once the library is moved out of the old court house. Original flooring will be restored. The goal is to affect the view of the court house as little as possible. The property was deeded to the county in 1873 by the city of South Park. The model of the new building is on display at the court house. The funds are committed for the county offices. Funds are still being sought for the library portion. Ashley Bushey is the new preservation planner. She can be reached at 719.836.4292. The website www.parkco.us has been updated.

Committee Reports:

- Treasurer’s report – John Rankin presented the current report. The total funds on hand are \$15,328.44. John and Art attended a Philanthropy seminar on fund raising. John will write up a review of the seminar. The GOCO funds listed are donations. There is another approximately \$6,000 to be received. The quilts will be evaluated. \$20 has been allocated for Pat to take the quilts for evaluation on May 8th. Liability insurance is due June 4th. We may need to update the coverage this year. Brian and Art will be working on better coverage. The cost is unknown at this time. The current premium is around \$500. John will send the current policy to Brian. Motion to approve passed.
- Membership – Roger gave the update, current membership is 58.
- Shawnee Historical Society - Brian Heber updated us on the nomination for the National Historical Register. We should hear from the National Keeper in 60 to 90 days. We need to consider national historic site signage. This will need to be funded to pay CDOT for the new signs if Shawnee gets the designation. We need develop a walking tour of Shawnee. Ann Bond and Linda Balough did a tremendous amount of work in getting this designation nomination.
- Field Trips – Pat Morrow covered the Colorado Midland Railroad Tunnel trip Saturday June 12th. We will leave at 8 AM from McGraw Park. Pat will send out direction. We will need to pay park entrance fee. Pat is checking into a discount. We will meet at the park entrance. We can meet at the Mountain Shadow restaurant parking lot. There will be presentation on June 19th at Como round house.

The South Park Symposium scheduled for June 25th and 26th. Registration form below...

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REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____ 1/2 Day 6/25 ___ \$4.00; Full day ___ \$8.00

Address _____ 1/2 Day 6/26 ___ \$4.00; Full day ___ \$8.00

_____ Two full days ___ \$15.00

Park County Ice Age Landforms Fieldtrip afternoon 6/26 ___ \$5.00

Leave Fairplay 2:15 P.M. ends around 5:00 P.M. Trip Leader-Donald McGookey

___ Volunteer to be a trip driver & could take ___ persons besides myself

Checks Payable to South Park Symposium, Send to P.O. Box 311, Como, CO 80432-0311

Railroad day will be August 21st.

We need to think about appropriate tours for the Colorado Historical society. More information will be given at the June meeting.

- Fund raising: Casino Night /Rummage Sale - This has been canceled for May. We have access to casino equipment, but need volunteers for dealers and organization. It takes a great deal of effort to organize but can raise funds.

McGraw Memorial Park will be open for Memorial Day Sunday May 30th 10 AM to 4 PM. We need volunteers for this Day.

Rummage and garage sale – will be planned for the fall. Need volunteers to organize the sale.

Memorial day week end Shawnee has planned a Flea market. Also Shawnee Day starting at 12 PM Saturday the 29th.

Calling tree volunteers for May 30th park hosts.

Rummage sale volunteers and donated items for the sale need to be organized

We need Volunteers for Bailey Day

Volunteers are also needed for Keystone bridge decking installation

- Maintenance Report/ plan – We must put together a maintenance plan for the park and the trail. Platte Canyon Community Youth group or Scouts to walk the trail.

Wayne Lambert will find out a contact. This is needed by May 13th.

There are 13 resolutions have been outlined to be met concerning the trail usage at McGraw park and to satisfy conditions of rezoning.

Volunteer groups are being contacted to maintain the restroom. Art is checking into this.

Arthur Hall is having broadband installed in the Annex. Art is paying for the service.

Old Business

Bailey Day Plans – Planned for July 31st. We need to outline what we will be doing. Log sawing, gold panning, open buildings, quilting, blacksmithing, llamas, petting zoo
Art will provide a list of activities. Leona will call people have them cover the activities.

May 13th Art will meet with County Commissioners at the final hearing at 9 am at 501 Main street, Fairplay to cover the park trail and rezoning issue. This will finalize the lot consolidation.

Great Western Industrial Painting – It is a 5 day job to paint Keystone Bridge. They were supposed to start today. They should start next week.

The decking and railing will be received and installed in the next three weeks.

New Business

Sign design for Rustic Square site – Signs budgeted for the park. We need to decide on the location of the kiosk. Art will stake this out on Saturday May 8th.

Next Newsletter: 1st week of July – Please contact Yvonne with content ideas.

The PCHS is still opposed to the location of the new county office and library building. Art is seeking more information on the effect on the Old Court House for the Historical Preservation Society Linda Hargrave

Ideas to fund the signage for the historic district, Brian will contact Ashley Bushey.

Next meeting date: June 4, 2010
Meeting adjourned at 9 PM.

THE MEETING STARTS AT 6:30, AND IS AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER IN SHAWNEE.