

Park County Historical Society Meeting Minutes November 2, 2012

The meeting took place in the Platte Canyon Community Center in Shawnee, beginning at 6:35 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Todd Alcock.

Attending: Leona C. Nelson, Carl W. Jensen, John Rankin, Linda Wood, Dee Brown, Barbara Jerome Behl, Jim Sapp, Judy Jeute, Isabella Jeute, Arthur Hall, Todd Alcock, and Kate Andrews, and Brenda Hobgood, the Director of the Hundo Bike Race.

Review of October 2012 meeting minutes:

Approval was made after one spelling error is fixed on the last page.
Leona Nelson moved, Dee Brown second, minutes accepted.

Treasurer's Report

Todd Alcock reported a total in the General Fund: \$11,917.11.
Leona Nelson moved, Kate second, Treasurer's report accepted

Committee Reports

Fundraising Events

Proceeds from Tom Klinger presentation :

- ⤴ \$ 82.00
- ⤴ Donations \$ 95.00
- ⤴ Railroad Days/Boreas Pass \$180.00 from sales of DVDs

Consideration should be made whether or not PCHS should join the South Park Chamber of Commerce at a cost of \$80.00 for a year.

Membership is at 165 members.

There was a discussion on cost of renting the Platte Canyon Community Center for fundraising versus Shepherd of the Rockies church. The Community Center was not available the 2nd Saturday of the month. The fundraisers have to be scheduled around the guest speaker.

Art Hall suggested the fundraising team be renamed "Community Education and Fundraising." After discussion, the name was not changed, and remains "Community Education Outreach."

There will be a history presentation by Rex Rideout on November 10th.

December 8th Brian Heber will speak.

December 2nd is Cowboy Christmas at McGraw Park in partnership with Rustic Station. Hours will be 11am to 4pm with s'mores for the children. There will be a community Christmas tree lighting at 4 pm.

Field Trips:

Pat Mauro talked about the Glen-Isle field trip hosted by Barbara Tripp, owner. Pat Mauro wrote up an article the trip for in the Flume newspaper. The trip was enjoyed by all who attended.

Other news:

The Mountain Connection newspaper wrote a nice article on PCHS and the society received \$250.00

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as a donation from them.

Shawnee Branch:

There will be a holiday mixer at the Shawnee Tea Room for the all of PCHS and the Shawnee Branch from 3 pm to 7pm on December 18th. There will also be a silent auction for fund raising at the mixer.

Curator's Report:

Dee Brown reported that she has taken things out of the schoolhouse placing them in the Entriken cabin. There will be a "History Center" in the museum. The boat shed is being changed with tools being placed in there. John Rankin suggested plexiglas cases be built to protect small things inside the shed; and that the building be made more secure, as the wire in the openings isn't especially strong. Art suggested we find a lot of things that we need done, and then apply for one big grant to fix them all.

Marketing Committee:

Craig Christenson is not present.

Maintenance Committee:

Art Hall listed numerous items that need work: the pad by the wait station, a motion sensor in the Entriken cabin stairwell; the electrical needs to be finished in the Annex. The restrooms have been winterized.

Discussion of Bylaws, Constitution:

Arthur Hall also explained the bylaws and constitution revisions have been coming along. Art Hall says there is a push for nonprofits to fold their constitutions into their bylaws. It would be necessary to then change the articles of incorporation.

Leona read an email sent by Art Hall concerning History Colorado's changes to their constitution and bylaws considered at their annual meeting in November (email text attached) that said History Colorado, organized in 1879, has incorporated their Constitution into their bylaws. If we do this it would not affect our tax exempt status. Arthur is seeing states track down on non-profits. PCHS must protect its tax exemption.

Guest: Brenda Hobgood from Hundo

Brenda was present at the meeting asking for a theme for the next Hundo race in 2013. She brought other versions of the bike racers tee shirts asking for PCHS to come up with a design. Suggestions included: Helen Tatum McGraw and the last Colorado & Southern Railroad trip in 1937.

OLD BUSINESS:

RECYCLE BINS

Tabled till spring 2013.

TOPIC OF TRASH DISPOSAL

Tabled.

TOPIC OF SECURITY CAMERAS

Tabled until December meeting.

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TOPIC OF SPRINKLER SYSTEM:

Art stated \$1500 would be able to cover the flower beds with a drip system. He received 4 proposals for the sprinkler system. This was tabled until spring. The sprinkler system would coincide with the seeding of McGraw Park lawn.

NEW BUSINESS

There was a discussion on a high altitude cookbook that PCHS could publish. A spiral bound cookbook could be published for around \$7.00 a copy using good glossy paper. Historical photos of the historic people could highlight the pages. Todd will bring a sample of a cookbook as an example to the December meeting. Ursula Mohr has offered to donate her time and split the profits with PCHS. Linda Wood moved that we see a copy of the book before proceeding, 2nd by Judy Jeute, motion passed.

PCHS is in need of a Historian to document current events and to collect PCHS news for the year. John Rankin suggests the Historian will keep books of meeting minutes, treasurer's reports, and filing of correspondence. Judy Jeute and daughter Bella accepted the position.

Art Hall suggested Freda Mason be given an Honorary PCHS membership. She and her husband Howard owned and operated the Mason Mercantile (in the present Bailey Country Store building) for 30 years. Her honorary membership would be approved for one year. Leona Nelson made the motion, Todd Alcock 2nd, motion passed.

Kevin and Bonnie Eaton who worked on the Keystone Bridge restoration were also nominated. Motion was made by Todd Alcock, 2nd by Carl Jensen, motion passed

Jim Sapp brought up the fact that old Flumes should be put at Fairplay in a better storage area. Park County Historical Society would retain ownership. Todd Alcock moved for approval, second by Leona Nelson, motion passed. Jim Sapp will meet with Dee to move them.

The next newsletter will be in November.

Leona Nelson moved to adjourn, Dee Brown 2nd motion, motion passed.

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ATTACHMENT

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Sent: Wednesday, October 31, 2012 12:52 AM
Subject: Constitution Rev.

This information is very timely. I received it directly from History Colorado. History Colorado (the State Historical Society of Colorado) has had and used a constitution since it founding in 1879. This year to abide by the Colorado Revised Nonprofit Act, Sections 7-121-101 et seq., Colorado Revised Statutes (2012), the Society had revised the bylaws and dropped the constitution by incorporating it into the bylaws as it is no longer recognized by the State statutes.

I just completed the revision of the PCHS constitution and now realize PCHS must do the same as History Colorado. The PCHS bylaws revisions were going to meet the new statutes. It will not be too difficult to combine the articles of the constitution into the bylaws. PCHS can follow a similar method as History Colorado used. It will just require more time to complete the revisions. Also the PCHS Adoption and Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation will need to be filed with both the State secretary of States office and the IRS. This filing action will not negatively affect our status as a tax exempt corporation, but should strengthen us with the IRS and State. After the revisions to the bylaws have been ratified, the next review would not be required for three years.
Arthur