

Park County Historical Society

A Colorado Non-profit Corporation

Meeting Minutes

January 20, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the PCHS Board of Directors was called to order at approximately 6:30 PM with President, Karen Christenson, presiding.

ATTENDING

Directors: Karen Christenson, Craig Christenson, Jim Sapp, Christie Wright, Linda Watson, Jim Glenn, Bill Kulenburg, Pat Mauro, and Sue Glenn.

Members and guests: John Rankin and Jean Wagner

COMMITTEE REPORTS

TREASURER'S REPORT – Bill Kulenburg

Bill provided copies of the Treasurer's Reports for the periods ending October 31 and November 30, 2016, to the Board of Directors for review.

Bill noted that we received a \$250 donation from the Bailey HUNDO organization. Karen Christenson sent a "thank you note" acknowledging the donation.

Bill reviewed the income and expenses for the year and responded to questions.

Bill indicated that he solicited a donation from the Platte Canyon Area Chamber of Commerce to support the operation of the McGraw Memorial Park public restrooms. No decision was made during the Chamber's Board of Directors meeting.

Bill reminded the Board that the Park County Conservation Trust Fund issues grants to specific recreation projects within the County. The "Colorado Lottery Funds" support this fund. Bill suggested that we consider this opportunity next year for Park related projects. Typically, the applications are available during the last quarter of each calendar year.

Discussion continued related to issues associated with maintenance of the restrooms and trash disposal.

MOTION: Linda Watson moved that the Treasurer's Reports for October and November 2016 be approved as presented. The motion was seconded and approved by unanimous vote of the Board of Directors.

SECRETARY REPORT – Jim Sapp

Jim provided a copy of the October 21, 2016, minutes to the Board of Directors for review prior to the meeting.

MOTION: Linda Watson moved that the minutes for October 21, 2016, be approved as presented. The motion was seconded and approved by unanimous vote of the Board of Directors.

MEMBERSHIP – Karen Christenson

Karen reported that the PCHS has 192 members. Typically, the membership rises and falls a few members on a regular basis.

CURATOR REPORT – Christie Wright and Jim Glenn

Jim reported that approximately 30 percent of the railroad "frequently asked questions" have been answered.

Jim reported that Mount Bailey Productions has produced a video of the Caboose and railroading in Park County narrated by Pat Mauro.

Jim discussed and circulated a photo tour of Engine Number 9 locomotive on display in Breckenridge.

Jim reported that he gave a history presentation to approximately 70 students at Deer Creek Elementary School as part of their local history program. Deer Creek hopes to visit McGraw Memorial Park this Spring for a field trip.

Discussion continued related to expanding the outreach program to middle and high school. Jim Sapp suggested that an article be prepared for *The Flume* to promote the PCHS activities. Jim Glenn will prepare a draft article for John Rankin's review and consideration for publication.

Pat Mauro announced that a steam locomotive will be donated to the Como Rail Yard by an anonymous donor. The locomotive, additional track, and water tank is expected to be operational by this year's Railroad Day. If the restoration of the turntable is completed in time, the locomotive will use the turntable to move the locomotive into the roundhouse for storage during the winter season.

EVENTS – Karen Christenson

Karen reported that the PCHS made \$3.00 in profit during Cowboy Christmas, but reminded everyone that purpose was to have fun and not to make profit.

Karen reported that the next Dinner and History presentation is planned for March 11. Larry Bell will be the guest speaker. The topic will be on the history of Cassells, Santa Maria, and the 1943 crash of a B-24 Liberator near Santa Maria.

HISTORY TOURS – Pat Mauro

Pat reported that no final plans have been made, but some possibilities were discussed. Potential sites included a visit to the Paris and Magnolia Mills. Christie cautioned that there is some complexity associated with the ownership of the Magnolia Mill and gaining permission from the owners may be problematic. Christie will contact the owners.

Pat indicated that he is also considering a road tour along CR 77 (Tarryall Road). Christie reported that the Park County Local History Archives just published a booklet "Tarryall Road Tour Guide" that explains the historical sites along the road.

John Rankin suggested that a tour of early schools in the area would be an interesting and informative field trip. Christie offered information held at the Archives to support the tours.

NEW BUSINESS

Karen Christenson reported that Gayle Kingery, Bailey Propane, has given permission for the PCHS to cover the Barnett Cabin roof and clean out the debris in and around the cabin. Gayle requested a letter from the PCHS indicating that we would not allow unescorted tours or allow parking near the cabin. Karen has prepared a letter outlining the agreement. There is no formal documentation from Bailey Propane giving the PCHS permission to preserve the cabin.

Bill Kulenburg cautioned that no trespassing and informational signage will be required once the preservation efforts begin to keep people out of the cabin and to highlight the PCHS preservation efforts.

ELECTIONS

The terms of office have expired for two Officer positions; Treasurer and Secretary. Jim Sapp recommended that the terms of office for the newly elected Officers begin with this meeting instead of when their terms expired (June 2016). The rationale being to ensure the election dates are properly documented in the minutes.

Jim Sapp indicated that he is willing to serve another term as Secretary.

NOMINATION: Linda Watson nominated Jim Sapp as Secretary for another two year term of office and that his term of office begin on this date. The nomination was seconded and unanimously approved by the Board of Directors.

Bill Kulenburg indicated that he would like to step down as Treasurer. However, he will continue to serve as Director until his term expires in June 2017.

Karen Christenson introduced and nominated Jean Wagner as a candidate for Treasurer.

Jean briefly discussed her experience as Treasurer and indicated a willingness to serve.

Jim Sapp indicated that would be appropriate to elect Jean to the Board of Directors prior to considering her to hold the office of Treasurer.

NOMINATION: Karen Christenson nominated Jean Wagner as a member of the PCHS Board of Directors. The nomination was seconded and unanimously approved by the Board of Directors. The term of office as Director will begin on this date for a term of three years.

NOMINATION: Karen Christenson nominated Jean Wagner as PCHS Treasurer. The nomination was seconded and unanimously approved by the Board of Directors. The term of office as Treasurer will begin on this date for a term of two years.

Bill Kulenburg will arrange to have Jean added to the bank account. Jim Sapp will provide a copy of the minutes as certification for the bank.

Karen Christenson, as PCHS President, requested to be added to the bank accounts.

MOTION: Bill Kulenburg moved that both Jean Wagner and Karen Christenson be added as signatories to the PCHS bank accounts. The motion was seconded and approved by unanimous vote of the Board of Directors.

OLD BUSINESS

Karen Christenson presented and reviewed the "Priority Project List" for the 2017 season.

Following a wide-ranging discussion, there were no changes to the Priority List and work will begin on the priority projects this Spring.

Bill Kulenburg discussed the Bailey HUNDO plans to construct a walking, hiking, bike trail along portions of CR 68, Platte River, former railroad bed, and some portions on private property.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Pat Mauro discussed options to reschedule the PCHS meeting dates and times. Following discussion, it was generally agreed to keep the dates and times the same.

ADJOURN

MOTION: Linda Watson moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved by the Board of Directors.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:45 PM.

Next Meeting - February 17, 2017

Respectfully submitted,



Jim Sapp
Secretary, PCHS