

FRIENDS OF TWIN LAKES
August 29, 2015 MEMBER MEETING

Board of directors in attendance: President John Kester, Secretary Kelly Sweeney and at Large Representatives Ahmad Ghais and Joan Weber.

Minutes: Wes Duran moved that the minutes be approved; Susie Kester seconded the motion and they were approved.

Upcoming meetings and events: next regular meeting on **October 24 at 9:30 in the School House.**

Southern Lake County Fire Station. Bruce Hix reported that DOLA turned down the grant request to build the new station in 2 phases. There was concern that the project was too big for the need and that the first phase would only create a storage warehouse garage with too small of a local fund match. Conversations with Fire Chief Dailey encourage him to scale back in size and build the station all at once. DOLA's reasoning was constructive. The Chief is trying to buy a new fire truck and then he would put a Type 6 truck here, let the Chief know you support that, if you do.

Feedback and ideas from Bruce and members included: build something that can be added to when there is a school for fire fighters; recognize taxes will need to increase to provide improved fire protection and health service; encourage the study of fire service and health service improvements, bringing in Parkville Water, Leadville sanitation and EMS at the hospital, too, as part of the Leadville and County consolidation report; developing a master plan for southern Lake County; be present at Commissioner meetings asking for funding and addressing the problem as well as the Fire Planning Board meetings; send emails to Chief Dailey; consider a special district cost/benefit; meet with Chief Dailey.

Kelly moved that the Friends of Twin Lakes sponsor a meeting to have a constructive open forum with Chief Dailey for southern Lake County residents and businesses to discuss fire service options, plans, etc. Steve Rogers seconded the motion and it passed. John Kester will contact Chief Dailey for a date at least 30 days out to give us time to get out meaningful notice beyond FOTL.

Schoolhouse update. Ahmad reported that KW submitted what appears to be their final invoice for \$11,255 which is in addition to our \$7,500 down payment. They have promised to address the following punch list next week: scrape paint off of outside of windows; caulk seam on roof repair; apply foam insulation strips on metal roof scalloped edges; and paint behind the metal sign.

Volunteer items to be completed: complete flooring (2 door thresholds, ¼ round where missing, baseboards where missing and bull nose for platform); paint windows; additional touch up paint where needed; regrade gravel at steps and road; restore metal sign (John Gordon has volunteered) and reinstall it; rebuild and paint the pump station; prune trees while we have leaves and can see what needs to be done; repaint the light fixture at exist; install the street number 231 and wash windows.

Present volunteers: Carl Wagner, Susie, Ahmad and Kelly.

Update on National Registry Nomination Draft and Clarion. Kurt Schweigert provided his outline last month that anticipated a mid-September completion (please see July meeting minutes for greater details). He had a camera malfunction and needs to redocument some of the area; it is likely that his draft report will come later. We did email a request if he can do the portion of the Forest Service side of the Historic District first so we can use that in discussions with the Forest Service to make Clarion improvements a priority for FY 2016 such that they start their National

Environmental Policy Act impact studies, etc., and we can work on getting grants for some of the work. History Colorado grants do not allow contingencies, so it must be a go for what we are requesting.

Anne Bond who has a home in Pan Ark recently retired from History Colorado and has offered to help guide us on grants for the project.

Independence Pass Foundation. Following our July meeting with their board, we hope to meet with them again after Labor Day to discuss partnering on some projects for next year. They may have interest in trail building from the Red Rooster to the Lake or improving other trails around the area. They have been very successful in their projects and we could benefit from their knowledge and skills in accomplishing projects to preserve the area.

Fund Raising in the Schoolhouse. In the fall, we would like to start monthly or bi-monthly movie potluck nights and request nominal donations from attendees. We will share educational documentaries on Leadville and Baby Doe Tabor; "Ghosts of the West;" National Parks and other such items.

Steve Rogers suggested buying bricks with names on them to create a patio off to the side of the Schoolhouse. He will contact his friend who did that to fund a Veteran's Memorial to get details and contacts.

Suzi suggested that we collect donations from those that have their names on the coat rack that Scott Malinsky is making.

Kelly and Judy Leaming are looking into the Bingo/raffle license that we could get in May of 2016 with some training, etc., but we want to research if money can be made.

A great suggestion provided after the meeting was to have people pay to guess winning times for the LT 100 as it passes by the Schoolhouse and give away prizes to the winners. We could ring the Schoolhouse bell for the top ten runners.

Recycling Center: Recycling Center should open around the end of September.

Tentative Work Day September 12

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