

FRIENDS OF TWIN LAKES –DECEMBER 1, 2012 MEETING

Officers in attendance: John Kester, President, Ric Altman, Vice-President/Treasurer, Kelly Sweeney, Secretary, Ahmad Ghais and Joan Weber, Members at Large.

Kelly moved that the minutes be approved and Ahmad seconded. They were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's report: \$3505.45 on deposit which includes the funds set aside for the Historic Park (\$1000 from Ride the Rockies and \$1,171.52 from the Twin Lakes Improvement Association). Folks are encouraged to pay your yearly dues!

MOU/HISTORIC PARK

Overview of first draft of proposed Memorandum of Understanding agreement between FOTL and Forest Service to maintain the Historic Park.

- Major issues with document were discussed.
- The Board will hold a conference call with the Historic Park Committee to discuss in more detail.
- We need the exhibits and to know what is "non-negotiable."
- We may need to start with an agreement to agree or make it smaller in scope subject to FOTL raising funds since NONE will be coming from the Forest Service.

CLIMAX SMALL GRANT APPLICATION

John received information from John Morrissey of the Forest Service of grant applications from Climax for small matching fund projects done by local non-profits. The information was received the day before it was due and John prepared an application for work on the Historic Park in the amount of \$2500. John identified critical work to be done: Clarion Hotel back shed and roof leak; Fine House covered entrance roof and a storage shed.

Ahmad moved that we approve retroactively the November 30, 2012 application submitted by President John Kester to try to obtain grant money for restoration work on the Historic Park. Kelly seconded and the motion passed.

FIRE PLANNING BOARD

Anita Mason and John attended an Emergency Services Counsel information safety meeting. At the meeting, an attorney in attendance explained that the county must provide emergency services to all in the county on an equal basis under federal law. We believe this includes fire protection. John and Ahmad will attend the next planning meeting to see if this point could be raised positively to prevent further lawsuits and liability for the county due to the unequal fire protection services offered in Lake County.

VILLAGE SIGN

Folks were disappointed that we have not made more progress on the sign for the village. We request that the Sign Committee proceed with all entities (Road and Bridge, CDOT, Historic Byways, etc.) to pin down approved location(s) and to commence with ordering a sign. Carl and Cathy Wagner will donate \$1000 for the project contingent upon having a sign and approved location for erection by the time the pass opens in the spring.

Letter to Lifetime Fitness

Kelly will work on a first draft to circulate. We are pleased that Marge Hickman who is very active with the races is willing to assist in the letter drafting. We will offer suggestions for things that could be done to make the experience better for

local residents without being unduly burdensome or onerous to visitors and participants; offering to help with monitoring to help guests and participants appropriately enjoy our beautiful area with minimal impact and upset. We are hopeful to also obtain contributions for the Historic Park restoration.

Next meeting will be January 12, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. in the Dance Hall.