Friends of Twin Lakes – Agenda/Minutes - 20111210

Project Name:	Friends of Twin Lakes
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Facilitator(s):	John Kester
Date:	12/10/2011
Time:	9:30-10:30 AM Mtn
Location:	Dance Hall
Teleconference Line:	NA

Attendees

John Kester		Ahmad Ghais
Suzie Kester	;	Steve Rogers
John King	;	Suzie Kester
Ric Altman		Larry Marcum
Bruce Hix	(Carolyn Abbott –
Liz Dougherty		Anita Mason
Cornelia Patti		Paula Ghais
Tom Seidel		Richard Meeker

Agenda

Item No.		
	Subject	Presenter
1.	Acceptance of notes from Nov 12 regular meeting (attached)	
2.	Review of meeting with Lake County Fire Planning Board (attached)	
3.	Talking points for Fire Planning Board meeting (attached)	
4.	Address Signs for residences	
5.	Grants for	
	mapping of addresses in southern Lake County	
	improvement of ambulance capability in southern Lake County	
	fire mitigation around homes	
	Future grants for Twin Lakes Historic District	
6.	Next steps for fire protection improvement	
	What do we do until there is a new station?	
	Where should our focus be?	
7.	Issues / Concerns	
8.	Next Steps	

Main Points, Conclusions/Discussions, Decisions, Next Steps

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1.	Administrative			
	Approve last meeting			
	501c3 approved			
	 Compensation for attorney Approval of payment of additional funds (balance of 150) Liz offered a night in A Wolf Den for attorney Suzie will provide a coupon too 			
	Carolyn will read 501c3 pamphlet & update the members at next meeting			
	Need to have brochure updated – Ahmad & Liz will collaborate on this. We are out of brochures			

2. Lake County Fire Board Meetings

- o Review meeting notes of lake county fire board
- Action items for Monday meeting it was recommended that we focus on these for this meeting and promote some of the items as FoTL
 - Funding
 - New fire chief we would like an update to the hiring process
 - 3 directions were discussed, however, we need to emphasize in addition to our interests in the stop-gap measures, we are relentless in our pursuit of county supported fire station in lower lake county. The directions were: 1) large handheld fire extinguishers 2) our own pumper truck 3) emphasize with lake county how critical this is to the lower lake county residents
 - Consider a pumper truck as an interim solution (reminder that fire dept's stance
 is that users of apparatus must be properly trained). Would there be a possibility
 of obtaining a fire truck for the FoTL until the fire district goes into effect?
 - FoTL may be able to fund having individuals in TL go through the training need to have 3 certified to use county equipment
 - FoTL's initiative to get their own truck would demonstrate to the county how serious we are about our fire safety. This is an effort that FoTL should pursue independently of Lake County.
 - Let your neighbors know if you've got a large sized fire extinguisher that could help with a fire
 - Maybe FoTL should invest in a few large fire extinguishers as an intermediate step to help protect the citizenry & their property. We can ask the LCFD about providing these, or at the least, providing training.
 - There are still issues around county access to the water in Pan Ark. Items mentioned were there are:
 - Two wells are available now for the fire trucks to attach to these two huge tanks that are housed in buildings in pan ark. This would deplete pan ark's water supply for a couple days, but well worth the inconvenience for fire protection. In past years there has been discussion about burying a huge tank for additional water for fire fighting. Tank has since been hauled off, so will need to locate another one.
 - There is a bury cistern on the Ross Subdivision between county road 10 and the subdivision. Brad from Road & Bridge knows where this is – he says there is pressure, but he doesn't know how much water is there at the hydrant.
 - The fire dept should have the keys to the wells in Pan Ark. We need to put this item (get water sources available) on the action list. This is another good interim step towards full fire protection for the Twin Lakes area.

- Let Fire Planning Board we are willing to work with them to insure water is available to fill the pumper trucks.
- Notify everyone of this Monday's meeting at the courthouse, please

Signage

- Signage for Village
 - Brad with Road & Bridge would like to be invited to meeting
 - There was an expressed desire for signage to be historic looking there is barn wood available at Hayden Ranch and maybe round river rocks could be used in conjunction with the sign; or that it be unique to illicit a "wow" from everyone coming around the corner, unlike the current green sign
 - O There have been some draft signs provided by Karen that could be considered.

Signage for homes

- Emergency services need signage at end of drive to find homes
- Commissioner Mike B will let us know what the standards are for Lake County signage
- FoTL may be able to coordinate someone to create very nice signage that would be both attractive and effective
- It was suggested that a more relevant approach is to have the emergency services deploy updated technology that will make this an easy task
- John Kester informed there is a grant from the Summit Foundation in Breckenridge that can be used for improving various county services. John has been working with Mike McCard to put together the basis for a grant that will improve the mapping services and supply the equipment for the vehicles to find homes. Trying to get money for the low-tech solution as well, which includes updating maps for the fire dept. It appears we need a two pronged approach: the physical maps, and the high tech solutions with equipment in each vehicle and updates to the database at the operating center. Mapping, etc is primarily for Lake Creek Valley.
- O John Kester needs help in creating this grant, and would like to have some volunteers to pitch in. there is value in the process of writing the grant, to be leverage on future uses Mike says his emergency services could qualify for the grant, but having it go through the FoTL will show the grantors we are pulling together all the disparate entities in the county together It is possible that we can accomplish the mapping our elves, and the signage issue is part and parcel to this effort. Working on this grant doesn't preclude us from applying for others. This will help in the future for refurbishing buildings across the street.

US Pro Cycling

- The race will come through Twin Lakes Twice this year coming and going. We ought to get in front of this, and get our desires known and participate.
- It was mentioned that Mark Groff is into the biking scene and would be a good source of contacts
- A number of ideas were shared regarding booths, crafts, hot dogs, refreshments, participating in
 making Twin Lakes a training center for the bikers, and help with road closures, have the race
 coordinators/organizers stage their support facilities here. Carolyn Abbott's son-in-law is a sponsor of
 the races through his bike shop. Pro Racers training is big business, so will take some doing to tap into
 it

Internet:

- Qwest sold to CenturyLink, who said they could provide internet service to the fire/emergency station in a package with phone service & unlimited long distance for \$85/mo
- Not sure if they really can, but would be worth putting in a request, because that would mean
 everyone in the valley could have access to DSL internet
- No vote to agree upon funding for internet service to the station; so need a commitment from FoTL before moving forward

Determine date of next meeting

• Jan 14th, 2012

Next Steps

Issues / Concerns / other topics of discussion

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