

FRIENDS OF TWIN LAKES
July 26, 2015 MEMBER MEETING

Board of directors in attendance: President John Kester, Vice President/Treasurer Anita Mason, Secretary Kelly Sweeney and at Large Representatives Ahmad Ghais (telephonically) and Joan Weber.

Minutes: Joan moved that the minutes be approved; John seconded the motion and they were approved.

Upcoming meetings and events: next regular meeting at **August 29th at 9:30 in the School House; August 15th LT100 Mountain Bike Race; August 17th** Public Hearing on Twin Lake Village and Road/Alley vacation at Leadville Courthouse at 7:00 pm; **August 19-20** Pro Cycling Challenge (Highway 82 closed for portions of both dates) and **August 22-23** Leadville 100 Foot Race.

Sheriff Rod Fenske and the Leadville 100 Foot Race 8/22-23/15: he discussed the competing demands of safety to get emergency vehicles back in or above the Village, locals having access to their homes/businesses and the desire of supporters/observers to park near or in the Village. Following positive feedback he agreed to print parking passes again, but stressed that they are not to be sold or he will not provide them for future races and we will be faced with the parking chaos and danger of years past. He will have his undersheriffs allow vehicle registrations to be used, too. He informed that it was the Highway Patrol having vehicles towed if they are over the white line of the highway.

Open Container Ordinance Proposal: He also explained why he was seeking an open container county ordinance to provide his officers with a concrete tool to tell folks to put away their alcoholic beverage drinks if they are drinking on the streets during events. He believes it will be useful to prevent event observers from becoming drunk and disorderly.

Bike and Build: we provided dinner and showers to over 30 riders and they were so grateful to have a meal inside of our Schoolhouse! Thanks to all who supported the event.

Independence Pass Foundation: Our board of directors, several members and their board of directors met for lunch on July 16th, followed by a tour of the Schoolhouse. We look forward to collaborating with them in the future on projects on the east side of Independence Pass.

Recycling Center: Judy Tyson attended a meeting where it appeared that the county was no longer considering placing a center within the Village and they would pursue the CR 10 and Highway 82 location.

Fire Station Update: Commissioner Hix and Fire Chief Dan Daley went to Steamboat to make a presentation to DOLA on the station. DOLA is concerned that there is no concrete plan to complete the station beyond phase 1 making it a vehicle storage house. DOLA wants something concrete to get the station completed.

Schoolhouse Renovation: Thanks to the **MANY** hands who have worked on various phases of this project. We have spent approximately \$2699 of the \$3500 authorized for work on the interior, thanks in large part to the screaming deal on the solid finished oak flooring that Anita got. KW has poured the concrete for the steps on Thursday (7/23) and it is to cure for 7 days. Although having the cherry picker hit the building--damaging siding, the window sill, the roof and fascia--was a set back, there may be a silver lining as we did not know there was wainscoting underneath the fiberboard when we painted on the interior and it that may be worth revealing, so it will be reviewed once we have full access. KW takes responsibility and is working to repair all damage.

A question was raised on the color of the trim as not being the historic green, it was explained that color was the closest color KW was able to find to what appeared to be the most recent painting of it.

National Historic Registry (provided via email from Kurt Schweigert):

Updating the Historic District documentation will include (1) inventory of all structures that currently exist; (2) identifying dates of construction and alterations, functions over time, and associations with people who were important in local and wider history; (3) preparing Colorado Historical Society inventory forms for each property; (4) research and writing an historic context for the historic district, and (5) preparing a National Register inventory form including maps and photographs and a justification of significance and boundaries of the historic district. The 1974 Historic District nomination is inadequate for any of these requirements.

Task 1 has been completed. All structures have been recorded within the 13 full or partial blocks of the village. Tracts 1 through 4 to the north of the platted blocks were not included in the survey, largely because of the general absence of historic structures in those lots and the substantial distances between the village core and buildings in those tracts.

-- 46 properties were verbally described, photographed, and identified on copies of

Google Earth satellite photos. All of the structures on Forest Service lands were recorded as a single property.

-- 387 digital photographs taken

-- owners of all properties were identified from Lake County Assessor records.

Task 2 (dates, functions, associated people) is started but far from complete. Owners and residents provided substantial information during the field survey. Verification and additional information will be gathered from public records, historic photos and maps, and owners and residents of the Village.

Task 3 (Colorado forms) has not begun, but can at any time. The physical descriptions, map locations, and photos can be entered on electronic forms, but the forms will not be complete until the historical info is collected for each property.

Task 4 (historic context research) and Task 5 (National Register form) will be delayed until I return to Colorado in late August. I have been provided with a number of articles and other publications on Twin Lakes, but substantial gaps need to be filled in order to have a good synthesis.

Estimated date for a draft National Register form: Mid-September.

Policy considerations for private use of Schoolhouse: this will take some time to come up with a proposal to the School Board to allow private use of the Schoolhouse for events that are not sponsored by FOTL or are governmental or safety activities to improve the quality of life for visitors and residents of the area. John asks for members to send their thoughts to him and the board will run anything past the members before seeking written permission and further direction from the School Board.

Coat rack for Schoolhouse: Scott Malinsky saved one of the trees cut down during our cleanup/fire mitigation of the Schoolhouse grounds last year and he is making a coat rack. He is inviting anyone who has worked on any of the Schoolhouse projects that would like their initials carved in the base of the rack to contact him or leave a note at the Shooting Star.