

**-- Friends of Twin Lakes --**  
**January 19, 2019**

**Meeting began at 10:05 a.m.**

**Board of Directors.** Present: Kelly Sweeney, President; Kurt Schweigert, VP/Treasurer; Judy Leaming, Secretary; Joan Weber, at-large director (by telephone). Absent: Anita Mason, at large director.

**Moment of silence** to appreciate and remember Diana Slifka and Tim McGraw.

**Minutes.** Motion by Kurt Schweigert + second by Susie Kester to amend and approve FoTL minutes for November 10, 2018, with the modification as deleting the name of the Forest Service employee who helped get sturdy tarps for the deteriorated Clarion roof.. Motion passed.

**Status of funds.** \$10,867.52 general fund (outstanding check for This Wonderful Life to Jim Leaming). \$3,918.89 in Community Bank account, waiting for donation from Alan Elias/Angelview. Chief Dailey extended time for Elias donation to late spring 2019. \$3,396 in Historic District funds.

**Trash program.** Currently there is one pick-up per month; we will end the program when funds are depleted. Please be sure and lock the bin + give your payments to Schweigerts or Kelly Sweeney or mail them to Friends of Twin Lakes, 231 Lang, Twin Lakes, CO 81251. *If the program cannot fund itself we will stop pick ups until late May, we will alert you before bin access is removed.*

**Everyone's a sweetheart in Twin Lakes.** By show of hands, this event will take place on Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup> at the Inn with a community potluck and a cash bar. Bingo will take place on Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM in the Schoolhouse.

**Fire Station 2.** Jeff Johnson gave an update on FS2. Concrete will be poured in the spring. Modular has arrived. Worker list will be circulated for volunteers to help with painting, setting cabinets, flooring, trip work, etc. When we're ready, a notice will be put in the newspaper to reach out to other communities to assist. We'll likely be ready for volunteer help by the end of May. Volunteer work is important because there's been an 11% increase in pricing since we obtained our bids. This will be a multi-use facility and a gathering place in the event of an emergency.

**Forest Service.** Kurt Schweigert gave an update on the new no-cost share agreement with the Forest Service (FS). This agreement primarily allows FoTL to run the Visitor Center and clean up their territory. The interim acting district ranger has been excellent but the government shut-down has stopped everything. Key differences from the previous agreement: 1) FoTL will keep the funds donated by the public to use on FS work, 2) Interpretation of buildings will expand and 3) Interlaken will be included in FoTL responsibilities. Going forward, we will have

yearly meetings sometime in May, FoTL will meet with FS to review and revise the work as necessary.

**Counting Rosy Finches.** John Kester reported on Colorado Parks and Wildlife request to help count banded rosy finches. Look for the color of the band. They would also like an estimate of the number of birds. More information will be provided by email to members.

**AngelView.** Chris Floyd provided an update on behalf of Alan Elias who couldn't be at the meeting today. Alan has been working on this project for 12 years. He's addressing concerns in the staff report, especially geological subsurface issues, and fine-tuning his plans. A donation to FoTL for FS2 is still part of the project. He wants to be a good partner and member of the community. More security has been added after there was a gunshot outside his cabin (while he was on the property).

**Helping during the government shutdown.** Several suggestions were made for helping bridge the gap for federal workers during the government shutdown: Safeway gift cards and offering work on projects. Please contact Kelly at [robkeldive@aol.com](mailto:robkeldive@aol.com) to connect with those workers.

**Upcoming events:**

- **Everyone's a Sweetheart in Twin Lakes:** Saturday, February 16th, 2019.
- **St. Patrick's Day:** Saturday, March 16, 2019.
- **FoTL meeting:** Saturday, April 27, 2019 (10 am).

**Meeting adjourned.** Motion to adjourn by Susie Kester+ second by Kathleen O'Leary. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 10:45 am.

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**Special Guest:** Lake County Sheriff, Amy Reyes, responded to questions provided by FoTL members. She asked that the Twin Lakes community "show us grace" during this difficult time of transition. She's short-staffed (and short on equipment), but they want to take care of us. She said we should go to her or her new undersheriff (David Gaskill) with problems and concerns. She plans to work with the County HR to address personnel issues and assist with problems. She wants to build better cooperation with the Police Dept., Fire Dept. and the ambulance crew. Her priorities include better communication and transparency. Presentation ended at 11:20 am.