

Friends of Twin Lakes (FoTL) Member Meeting July 06, 2019

Meeting began at 9:05 a.m.

Board of Directors. Present: Kelly Sweeney, President; Kurt Schweigert, VP/Treasurer; Judy Leaming, Secretary; Larry Marcum, at-large director; Susie Ramsdell, at large director.

FoTL minutes. June 2019 minutes were approved. Motion by Colleen Schweigert and second by Scott Malinsky.

Status of funds. As of June 30 without all High Perspective deposits: Operating account: \$13,256.45 (\$580 is for garbage bin fund at Heritage Park). Designated account balances of Heritage Park (\$1,289.93) and Fire Station 2 (\$11,984.52). We've already made our \$52,000 Fire Station 2 construction contribution directly to Lake County.

Summer 2019 topics/speakers.

- Lake County Library training by Brenna Smith in the Visitor Center. Date to be determined.
- Safe mushroom picking with Tim Jaster. Later this summer.
- Plans to develop trails around Twin Lakes and in Leadville with Sterling Mudge, Cloud City Wheelers' Executive Director. Today, at the close of the member meeting.
- Seminar on noxious weeds and invasive species. Date to be determined.
- Visit with St. Vincent's CEO, Gary Campbell. **August 1st.**
- Instantpot cooking class with Chris Nowka. Date to be determined.
- Seminar on the Ute Nation in Colorado (with a focus on the area around Twin Lakes) by Hanley Frost, Sr., Education Coordinator, Culture Department, Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Saturday, July 20, at 10 am.
- Electrolytes/medical implications with Cathy Wagner. **August 14th.**
- Kinetic physiology class with Bob Gass. Date to be determined.

Free smoke detector program in Lake County. Susie Ramsdell spoke about this free program. The fire department will install free (10-yr.) smoke detectors and recycle your old ones. Contact Fire Marshal Steve Boyle (719-486-2990) to schedule.

Asbestos/lead paint report. Kurt Schweigert explained the asbestos/lead paint report on the Clarion and the Assayer's Office (both buildings were here in 1880). Of the 38 asbestos samples, 13 were positive. 14 of the 15 lead-based paint samples were positive. The Assayer's Office was clean.

Due to the number of tests required by the Forest Service (to determine the safety issues of any work in the buildings), the cost exceeded the amount authorized by the FoTL membership (\$1,500). The board approved another \$250 toward the cost, but we need approval from the members for that remaining amount (\$711). An initial motion was made and seconded to pay \$711 from general fund, following discussion, that motion failed. A second motion was made

by Daryl Manning to approve payment of \$711 from the Historic District fund. Second by Jessica Adams. Motion passed.

Work projects. Kurt continued his report by discussing upcoming work projects.

- **Visitor Center.** Kurt is in the process of obtaining estimates for roof replacement. Forest Service needs to decide which materials to use. This will likely be done in the fall or early spring.
- **Assayer's Office.** This building is in pretty good shape. Minor chinking and painting can be done any time.
- **Clarion Hotel.** Roof replacement needed on the south side (now covered with tarps). Need to work with Forest Service on repair of collapsed portion of south wall prior to replacing the roof. Asbestos in ceiling and floor in this room will likely cause some delay and may require professional remediation prior to any roof work.
- **Fine House.** Building requires scraping and painting exterior woodwork and replacing hood over north entry.
- **"Chicken coop."** Roof is lying on ground east of the building. East wall is falling down.
- **Interlaken.** Hotel is in fairly good shape. Porch needs to be removed (and not replaced). May require Forest Service consultation with State Historic Preservation Office. Dexter House needs cleaning of floors and stairways.

Work sessions. Sign-up sheet circulated at meeting.

- **July 27.** Interlaken porch removal and scrape and paint lower wall areas.
- **August 17.** Twin Lakes Heritage Center.

Fire Station 2. As more information is available, it will be shared by email.

Boom Days float. Sign-up sheet circulated at meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m. Motion by Colleen Schweigert. Second by Jessica Adams.

Presentation by Sterling Mudge

Cloud City Wheelers was established in 2007. They're working on a countywide trails master plan (all seasons/all users), trail expansion around Turquoise Lake and a Lake County bike park. They've been coordinating work on the South Elbert Trail with Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado. Cost is a factor (studies and working with the Forest Service).

He wanted to know whether there's interest in the Twin Lakes community to expand trails, possibly circling around Forebay and connecting the trail from Moache along the old highway with the Colorado Trail.

Discussion about connecting the campground to the village. Also, the possibility of a trail from the village to Willis trailhead (issues with wetlands and calving ground for winter elk).

He invited anyone interested in participating in discussions to come to their regular board meetings on the first Tuesday at 9 am at Mountain Works (6th and Harrison).

Contact information: cloudcitywheelers.com.