## Friends of Twin Lakes Member Meeting January 19, 2021

Meeting began at 5:00 p.m. Virtual meeting was conducted via Zoom. Audio of meeting is available at https://drive.google.com/file/d/1cbTRXCK7PtaUotyhoEBfnEefxHCXHxD7/view?usp=drive web

Board of Directors: <u>Present:</u> Kelly Sweeney, President; Kurt Schweigert, VP/Treasurer: Beth Manning, Secretary; Larry Marcum, and Susie Ramsdell, at large directors.

- 1. Commissioner Kayla Marcella was not available at start of meeting for Fire Station 2 report. Kelly Sweeney provided an update on Fire Station 2.
  - a. The BOCC will make a claim against the first contractor's bond.
  - b. On Verizon repeaters the BOCC determined that they could not use the 1<sup>st</sup> round of COVID CARES Act money because it is a capital improvement, but Comm. Marcella assured Kelly that the issue is not dead. These repeaters would improve cell coverage in Southern Lake County from the Airport through to Twin Lakes.
- 2. Approval of the September and October Minutes: Motion to approve was made by Susie Ramsdell and seconded by Larry Mecum. Motion carried.
- 3. Review of status of funds:
  - a. Operating Account end of 2020 \$13,010.39 (\$2,043.67 in contributions reserved for garbage service payments). Colleen prepared a spreadsheet to compare last year with the current year.
    - i. End of year 2019 operating account \$10,442 with \$517 reserved for garbage.
    - ii. We had 133 paid memberships in 2019 and only 95 in 2020 which is understandable in the worky world of Covid-19—however, that is a likely loss of \$760. Here's to hoping for a better 2021!
    - iii. 2019 we gave \$2776 from General Fund to Heritage none in 2020.
  - b. Designated Accounts:
    - i. Dexter Cabin: \$668.00
    - ii. Heritage Projects: \$2,629.93 (2019 gave \$2776 to Heritage from General Fund, **none in 2020**)
    - iii. Fire Station 2 fixture finish funds cash: \$28,713.94 (we also have \$3000 in gift cards from Lowes and \$3500 that will be paid for some appliances from LT 100 Foundation AND we have already contributed \$52,000 to construction).
      - 1. 2019 we raised \$13,837 (not including the \$20,000 from Angelview promised in 2018 and paid in 2019); we also had 2 major fundraising events.
      - 2. 2020 we raised \$7644; we had no fundraising events.
    - iv. When considering donations, the more money we have in the Heritage fund and the Fire Station fund, the better it is for grant applications and matching funds.
- 4. Report on Clarion recommendations/discussions with Forest Service and FOTL on how to proceed with protecting the back lean to on the Clarion.
  - a. Background:
    - i. Many email exchanges and meetings with the FS District Ranger, Archeologist and Engineer;
    - ii. obtaining bids for abatement of asbestos in just that area

MDR Corporation \$12,767.00 No ECOS Environmental \$16,726.82 No

EXCEL Environmental \$14,587.00 No \$13,268.00

b. Neither the FS nor FOTL has funds at present to pay for abatement. Something needs to be done to protect building from collapse and asbestos from polluting surrounding ground if it does fall.

- c. Review of FS Engineer's proposed shelter to encase building.
  - i. Report from meeting on 1/14 with FS regarding what FOTL suggests should be done and FS response/recommendation.
  - ii. Engineer Andrew Keener made an urgent plea into the Golden FS field office to release emergency funds so that the asbestos can be abated in the lean-to. He should hear back this week.
  - iii. The cost of the structure designed by the FS to encase the shed is between 5-6 thousand without labor costs or equipment (we would need to use volunteers) which is about half the abatement cost, but we could reuse the encasement. Need heavy equipment to move a beam.
  - iv. One option that has been approved by FS, is to use plywood to cover the roof temporarily and to use a roof broom to bring down the snow following storms. (The cost for plywood would be approximately \$500 and we could reuse it later.)

## d. Kurt reported

- i. Archaeological monitoring is an issue involved with this site.
- ii. Immediate issue is asbestos, then south addition and then the entire building
- iii. There has been nothing done in six years since the historic structures report in 2015.
- iv. Kurt suggested to break the work out into phases and then look at grant applications. We are awaiting news from the FS about what funding they may provide for asbestos abatement.
- e. Kelly reported that with respect to the main building we would likely take care of asbestos on main floor and not second floor and that expense would be minimal according to an abatement specialist that looked at the building.
- 5. Kayla Marcella joined the meeting at this point.
  - a. On the Verizon towers Comm Marcella confirmed Kelly's report that the CARES act funding could not be used. It is important to the county and the BOCC will continue to work on funding.
  - b. On fire station 2, the city and county have agreed to split the remaining cost of fire station 2. Hopefully will be done in the summer of 2021. Cost split 3 ways, county, city and fire fund.
  - c. Kelly mentioned fire planning board will have robust fire mitigation plan for this summer for Lake County and specific neighborhoods.
  - d. Comm Marcella introduced new commissioner Jeff Fiedler and said he would be taking over some of the fire planning and management in 2021.
  - e. County has struggled with electronic communications about COVID vaccinations. Contact St. Vincent's Hospital, Lake County Public Health, or Rocky Mountain Family Practice for more information.
  - f. LACOSI and new rail line info, comments are due on January 28, 2021. Comm Marcella will send Kelly links for info.
- 6. Discussion returned to the Clarion. Kelly asked whether to membership should consider the following 3 items;

- a. whether FOTL is approved to spend \$500 on plywood/materials or \$5-6000 for temporary fix if FS doesn't come through with funding. (There is \$2629 in the Heritage Account.) FS won't expect funds until 2022.
  - i. After discussion, a motion was made to spend up to \$600. Carl Wagner made a substitute motion that Carl and Cathy donate \$600 to cover the plywood, which was accepted.
- b. whether the board is approved to transfer some of our operating account balance of \$13,010.39 to the Heritage Account (2019 we transferred \$2776 to Heritage).
  - i. Larry moved to transfer \$2500 to the Heritage Account. Susie seconded. Motion was approved.
- c. whether the Board could be approved to have the ability to spend up to \$1000 of Heritage funds related to the Clarion (not including the funds for materials) if we need to act expediently before or between the time for a member meeting.
  - i. Moved and seconded to give the board authority to spend up to \$1000 on Heritage Park in an emergency where not time is available to call a meeting for such purpose. Motion passed.
- 7. Kurt reported on Field School proposed by History Colorado in the historic preservation Master's program at CU. It would work on reconstructing the "chicken coup" at Heritage Park this summer for one or two weeks. A grant application has been made. We may be looking for donations for meals or lodging for students.
- 8. Kelly encouraged people to take Moache Trail to keep the vegetation down, and mentioned other plans for cleanup later in the year.
- 9. Kelly asked if there was interest in expanding FOTL assistance to FS in the Forebay area. It will enable us to be more active there in clean up, etc. Kelly may send out a survey monkey.
- 10. Twin Lakes Inn is having a celebration of the life of Rick Gerich.
- 11. Motion to adjourn by Carl Wagner and seconded by Larry. Meeting adjourned at 6:18.