

DRAFT-- Friends of Twin Lakes Member Meeting –DRAFT
April 15, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am as a hybrid meeting both in person at the schoolhouse and by zoom via Zoom.

Board of Directors Present: Kelly Sweeney, President; Beth Manning, Secretary; Susie Ramsdell, Colleen Schweigert, Larry Marcum and Jeanine Ravenscraft.

Kelly asked those in the room and those on zoom to go around and introduce themselves.

Guest Speaker was Fire Chief Dan Dailey

- Took the position in January 2012
 - Was in the Marine Corps
 - Worked in the front range for three years.
 - Lived in Leadville for 19 years.
- The picture shown on the screen is Leadville's new type 3 fire engine, wildland urban interface vehicle. Four-wheel drive. High Clearance. Price is \$385,000.
 - It can get into some of the subdivisions that the Type 1 engine can't get into.
 - Used for wildland fires and as a light rescue vehicle
 - Leadville fire department has done national wildland deployments. It gives staff the experience that they need. Also brings in revenue from the contract with federal government.
- Information on new Fire Station II
 - No set date for the grand opening.
 - Need 3 to fully staff a station. We now have 4 and will soon have 5. We can fully staff station 1 and have 2 available to staff station 2.
 - Created a resident reserve program. Using residents with no qualifications and training them.
- ISO Ratings potential impacts (Insurance Service Office) rates your fire insurance risk
 - Three criteria for risk rating.
 - Dispatch: involves communications ability.
 - Water sources for fighting fires; community system, ponds, etc.
 - Capability of fire department.
 - Commercial structures only, not wildfire. How long from the equipment dispatch from station until able to deliver 3500 gallons. Anyone within 5 road miles of station 2 will meet qualifications. Pan Ark, Beaver Lakes, Massive Lakes, Moose Haven.
 - The old Twin Lakes fire station could be used as another station.
- Fire mitigation partnership
 - The Fire department doesn't do fire mitigation currently. With station 2 there will classrooms and will have meetings with HOAs and residents to educate on mitigation issues.
 - Josh Kuehn will meet with groups about mitigation.

Regular Member Meeting

- 1 Update on recent grant requests and meetings.
ONE OF OUR STRONG BUSINESS SUPPORTERS NEEDS OUR HELP ON FRIDAY 5/11. Mt Elbert Lodge call 719 496-0594 or email mountelbertlodge@gmail.com to volunteer.

- a. CDC grant. Red Rooster roofing project. Kelly had samples of different roofing. Senator Bennet feels it is a worthwhile project although small. It is a 50/50 match.
- b. Clarion Structural Engineer visit. The engineers (2) visited but have not submitted the report.
- c. Potential Clarion Projects. Kelly met with archeologist for USFS and she wants us to draft scope of works. We may be able to take the awning off and rebuild it and change the drainage away from the building and take off board from the windows. Next would be reroofing Clarion and some structural work.
- d. Spring Clean Up 5/20 SAVE THE DATE--AWESOME EVENT TO MAKE THE HERITAGE PARK SHINE. Twin Lakes Inn is donating lunch. General Store will provide drinks.
- e. FYI on Friends of Leadville Ranger District, new organization, likely try to combine efforts on several projects.
- f. LAKE COUNTY GOT THE MINI-GRANT FOR THE RADAR SPEED LIMIT SIGN-- anticipate installation in early June. FOTL putting up \$1,000, Lake County \$3,000, and DOLA \$4,000. The sign tracks the number of vehicles and their speed. Hwy Patrol may be able to come at peak times to patrol.
- g. Bingo is back starting 5/24 at 5:30 PM in the Schoolhouse 231 Lang St. and every other Wednesday after.
- h. Trail Tuesdays will return every other opposite from Bingo week, we will try to refine it and plan on some actual trail workdays.
- i. HIGHWAY CLEAN UP SIGN UP--HELP US MAKE OUR ROADSIDE INTO TWIN LAKES LOOK PRISTINE.
 - i. 12 Volunteers covering 1/2 mile on both sides of the highway would clean the entire stretch up to the Village. Megan adopted the Hwy Leading up to Twin Lakes, but it's more than she bargained for so she needs help.
 - ii. We do recommend gloves, sturdy shoes, long sleeves along with a bright colored shirt for safety.
 - iii. We need to know if you would like to join this informal venture? We need to know your name, contact information and where you will work or agree to work (see map to figure out what is done and needs to be done).
 - iv. We can supply bags!!!
 - v. Again, this can be done on your own. In addition, we will do a joint day TBD with refreshments outside the Inn following our work. Reply to friendsoftwinlakes@gmail.com to "register."
 - vi. We have coordinated with CDOT for bag disposal.
- j. Trivia Night May 17, at Twin Lakes Inn, \$20 includes appetizers with cash bar.

2. Website is being updated, it accidentally went live, we are working to try to eliminate some of the "dummy/placeholder" additions. Let us know what you like, don't like, etc.

3. Director Elections. Current FOTL Secretary Beth Manning (great at juggling the minutes of our meetings and Visitor Center Volunteer) is willing to run for another term. Anne Bond is willing to run, she has been a tremendous help on our historical projects and beach clean ups, not to mention her role as a washer woman on our award-winning float. Colleen Schweigert, Visitor Center Coordinator and 2022 to May 2023 ish Treasurer/Vice President, who was also a washer woman on the float, has agreed to run for one of the 2-year openings as well. (Colleens serves(d) part of a split term with Jeannine Ravenscraft who will take over the remainder of that term. Anyone else interested in a 2 year term, you need to be a dues paying voting member and have a heart for the mission and service of Friends of Twin Lakes?

Annual Meeting on June 3.

4. MAY 11TH IS LOOKING BEST TO invite Sangre de Cristo candidates to speak--either separate night or at a meeting? The Board suggests a separate meeting to give time for discussion. Please review Chaffee County Times article on recent issues regarding charges: https://www.chaffeecountytimes.com/free_content/sdcea-s-proposed-changes-spark-member-unrest-again/article_00b91a4e-d3cf-11ed-859c-ff03da06fee4.html

5. Other.

- Be mindful that we try to keep meetings under 1.5 hours, preferably less and that .
- Suzie Ramsdell will have Eeyore's birthday/ 420 party at "the garage"
- Mike O'Leary mentioned trash dumpsters in Pan Ark for \$20 per month.
- Consider putting our flowers instead of hummingbird feeders because of bear activity.
- Grant program match from Sangre de Cristo Electric if you have a Sangre de Cristo account.

Larry Marcum moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 12:05 pm.