DRAFT** Friends of Twin Lakes Member Meeting Minutes **DRAFT January 18, 2025

Meeting was called to order at 10:10 am.

Present were: Kelly Sweeney, President; and Beth Manning, Secretary; in person and Colleen Schweigert, Vice President/Treasurer; Jeannine Ravenscraft and Anne Bond, at large members joined on Zoom.

There were 8 members present in person at the meeting and 9 members joined on Zoon.

Prior to the start of the meeting, Kelly Sweeny announced that LT 100 Race Series Director Tamira Jenlink was unable to join the Zoom because of a the MB Race event in Leadville.

- 1. Approval of the August 2024 meeting minutes. Double click on the picture that appears on this link to view in full: https://friendsoftwinlakes.com/friends-of-twinlakes-member-meeting-august-2024/
 - 1. **Daryl Manning made a motion to approve the minutes;** Colleen Schweigert seconded. Motion carried.

2. Treasurer's Report:

General Fund	Heritage	Fire Station	Dexter House	FS Heritage Donations	
\$20,618.46	\$66,119.66	\$63,530.16	\$373.93	\$2,434.34	\$153,076.55
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- a. Kelly reported that of the \$63,530 the Leadville Lake County Fire & Rescue Department would like to use about \$40,000 for a UTV, and other funds for a sauna, and/or additional storage lockers.
- b. We have approximately \$1,300 left in the fund for garbage. Garbage monthly is \$348.33 for the 2 dumpsters. If we deplete our reserve, we will have to change our options. We could consider getting rid of one dumpster or putting one on hold for winter months, or a price increase. Kelly will contact company about putting one dumpster on hold for winter months.
 - 1. Updates on Forest Service Projects and plans for 2025. (Agreement was finally executed, although we do not have a copy yet.)
 - a. We will begin work on the Clarion porch stabilization and regrading in May as soon as ground is no longer frozen. Highlights of effort:
 - i. Grading away from the building to prevent further damage from water/weather and placing gravel where concrete sidewalk currently is,

- Archaeologist Megan Caveny with the Forest Service wants this done by hand;
- ii. Reconstructing the porch overhang on 3 sides, replacing/rebuilding and stabilizing with some new posts and materials, but trying to use what we can. All three overhangs must be equal in size per Megan/SHPO.
 - 1. Schweigert's are donating old barn wood that matches kerf of saw blade.
 - 2. Will also involve porch foundations for the posts.
- b. Usual cleanup of Heritage Park in May and we will try to schedule a Dexter cleanup for June as we did not have an agreement to allow us to do it last year.
- c. Staining and repairing/replacing the log chinking on Visitor Center probably early June? Bob Mathes stated it should be at least 50 degrees.
- d. Helping on any trail extensions from Moache or Visitor Center to keep hikers/bikers off of the highway where possible. We will need volunteers. Bob stated that Cloud City Wheelers is trying to raise funds. The extension route has been approved to the highway. It will not go across the beaver dam.
- e. Dexter Cabin Clean Up with some possible painting in the stairwell up to the copula and touch up outside. This will be scheduled either in May or June. We will need volunteers.
- f. Maintaining our portion of the CDT by foliage cutting and helping Bob and Twin Lakes Inn on their sections. Bob is now responsible for a new section of the CDT (he gave Cloud City Wheelers Hope Pass) and we need to clean the Interlaken Trail over to Willis of overhanging branches.
- g. We will need volunteers for all USFS and trail projects.

4. Plans for this winter.

- a. The Inn will be having a Valentine's gathering so we will not compete with that. (UPDATE THE INN WILL NOT BE HOSTING AN EVENT.)
- b. We will host a St. Patrick's Day gathering at the Inn.
- c. (Early Spring reminder: May highway clean up.
- 5. Plans for porta john assistance.
 - a. Working on funding to have a single and an ADA porta john owned by FOTL that we can have for use at the Schoolhouse, to support volume on holiday weekends at the Visitor Center area and to offer for businesses to use for special events.
 - b. There will be a \$75 per unit cleaning fee associated that we may need to pass on to non-governmental businesses and/or pay out of funds collected at the Visitor Center for cleanings following uses at Visitor Center on holidays.
 - c. After discussion it was agreed to postpone further discussion and a decision until a separate March meeting specifically for these issues.
- 6. Discussion of Highway 82 repaving and submitting a request for another crosswalk at 6th and Highway 82 (by Tenderfoot Farms) for safety and speed control. This will not be a speed bump but rather striping.
 - a. Former Commissioner Feidler invited our input in late December, and we will work with the new Commissioners to try to make this happen.
 - b. Kelly will request that CDOT post signs of when construction will begin.
- 7. Updates on potential changes to LT 100 in Twin Lakes.

- a. Kelly displayed a map which showed proposed changes.
- b. No tents at the Visitor Center, which will be closed on Race Day.
- c. Shuttle buses will drop off and turn around at Moache parking lot.
- d. Metal barricades will be erected to keep people from getting too close to buildings, shown by white on map.
- e. For any issues on race day, Kelly will provide volunteers with her number and David's number to resolve problems.
- f. Additional tents will be relocated within the Village as indicated on the map.
- g. Leadville is having a town hall to discuss concerns with race.
- 8. FYI- Request Lake County teacher to use Schoolhouse 6/24th for teacher training. Kelly suggested coupons from local businesses to encourage shopping here.
- 9. Updates on information from Michael Irwin of Public Works regarding proof of residency or property at Landfill for residential rates and how rate increases work with cost-of-living increases. Lake County is still less than Summit or Chaffee counties.
- 10. New Year and Annual Dues for Friends of Twin Lakes.
 - a. We discussed the need for potential fee increases for garbage based upon Waste Management fee increases and decreasing payments for our garbage program.
 - 1. Larry Marcum moved to increase the cost of our trash bags. Single 13-gal. kitchen would be \$4, two bags would be \$7 and \$7 for large black garbage bag. Anita seconded. Motion carried to be effective February 1, 2025.
- 11. Please consider attending this LT 100 Meeting in Leadville. These events are important to many of our local businesses and the Twin Lakes perspective is not well-known in Lake County/Leadville as a whole.
 - a. Monday January 20, 2025, 6:30 to 8:30pm, at Lake County Elementary School.

12. Historic District Amendment Progress Update

Kurt discussed the progress of the historic district amendment, which was recently approved by the State Historic Preservation Review Board and is now being reviewed by the National Park Service. The amendment involves the reduction of the district's boundaries to eliminate non-contributing elements. Kurt also addressed an objection from the US Forest Service, stating that their concerns were unfounded. Kelly thanked Colleen and Kurt for their extensive work on the project. Jan suggested printing a copy of the document for the community, and Colleen confirmed that electronic availability is usually possible.

13. Adjourn

a. Daryl made a motion to adjourn and Anita seconded and the meeting adjourned at 11:33 am.