

Mosquito Range Heritage Initiative
Annual Meeting
May 16, 2009
Meeting: 11:00 – 12:00
Mapping Presentation: 12:00 – 12:30
Lunch: 12:30 – 2:00pm

Attendees: John Carr, Cara Doyle, Ginni Greer, Jara Johnson, Megan Watkins, Jim Mauch
Board Members not present (excused): Sheila Skaags
Others in attendance: Bruce Metzger, Linda Carr, Mel Schulman, Annette and Earl McGrew,
Bob and Rose Legge, Theresa Springer and husband, Craig Barraclough and son Tucker,
Will Barrett, Dave Cooper, Carol Pisano.

Call Meeting to Order – The meeting was called to order at 11:05am by Ginni Greer

Additions/corrections to agenda – Additions/corrections to the agenda were solicited. The agenda was accepted as is.

Approve Minutes from March meeting – Ginni noted that she hasn't received the March meeting minutes yet. Ginni has been in touch with Sheila regarding them and she will talk to her again.

2008 Accomplishments – Ginni distributed the 2008 Accomplishments. They included:

- Completed mapping project
- Mosquito Gulch Neighborhood Meetings
- Trail Work Days
 - January, 2008 – Tie Hack Trail
 - June, 2008 – Limber Grove Trail
 - July, 2008 – Mt. Democrat and Mt. Bross in conjunction with WRV
- Fundraisers/social events
 - Poker Glide
 - Poker Run
 - Moonwalk
- Social Events
 - Adventure Series – New Zealand presentation
 - Patagonia presentation

2009 Goals – Ginni distributed the 2009 goals. A copy is attached to the minutes.

Cara gave an update on the Mosquito Gulch Neighborhood Meetings, the CSU project (meeting this Wednesday at Alma town hall, 5:00pm, update on the status of Lincoln, Democrat and Bross (conditional opening June 1).

Budget – Cara presented the budget. The main item of concern is the insurance payment due in June. Cara stated that she is working on some grants for additional funding. The BLM will probably donate additional funds.

Membership update – John Carr reported that we have 14 members. Cara reported that she is working on getting businesses to offer a discount or something to MRHI members. The Java Moose has agreed to do something, but no details available yet. She is also talking to the Business Connection, Chow Down, South Park Saloon.

Summer Workdays –

Ginni reported that we will have two Americorps NCCC Summer of Service Crews working with us from June 22 – 26. This will be a group of 14 – 18 year old youths and supervisors. In conjunction with the Forest Service they will do trail work on Sheep Mtn. Trail or the TieHack Trail or one other trail proposed by the Forest Service. They will be camping at Horseshoe or Fourmile campground. Cara added that they want the MRHI community involved with the crews in some way—either baking cookies, brownies, etc.; participating in the trail work; participate in evening campfires, etc.

We also have workdays scheduled for June 20, July 18 and 19 in conjunction with WRV on Democrat and Bross, August 15 and September 12. We are working with the Forest Service to identify trails/projects on which we will work. Cara reported that the Forest Service has a new employee starting in June who will be in charge of trails. We will be meeting with her as soon as possible.

We also have Peak Steward training on June 13 and 14. As part of the conditional opening of Lincoln and Democrat, we agreed to have peak stewards on those peaks and on Bross and at Kite Lake this summer.

20K Bike/Run – Jim reported that the 20K bike/run is up in the air. The event would take place, Saturday, July 18, in the morning. This is the same day as the Festival of the Clouds. The plan is to bike or run from Alma to Kite Lake and back; runners would start first, followed by bikers an hour later. We can get an emergency permit from Dee at the forest service. The Alma Foundation is willing to split the cost of insurance with MRHI. Cara has been talking to GKS about insurance for the year and it would/could be included in our yearly events. Ginni stated that WRV will have a large group of volunteers up at Kite Lake that morning to do trail work on Democrat and Bross. We need to start advertising immediately. We need to decide if we really want to do this or not.

Election of Officers

- President – Cara nominated Ginni Greer to continue as president. Ginni accepted the nomination.
- Vice President – Ginni nominated Jara Johnson to serve as vice-president. Jara accepted the nomination.
- Treasurer – John Carr agreed to continue as treasurer until a replacement can be found.
- Secretary – Ginni nominated Megan Watkins to serve as secretary. Megan accepted the nomination.

Jara made a motion to accept all the nominations; seconded by Earl McGrew. All were in favor; no one was against.

Board Members at Large:

Jim Mauch will remain on the Board.

Linda Carr was invited to join the board. She accepted the invitation.

Theresa Springer stated that either she or Sarah Lykens, from the Coalition for the Upper South Platte, should be on the board. It was agreed that Sarah should be on the board.

Mel Schulman made a motion to accept all the nominations for board members at large; seconded by Jara. All were in favor; no one was against.

Additional business –

Theresa Springer, Coalition for the Upper South Platte, stated that CUSP will pay \$14/hour as cost share to have two noxious weeds pulled. The Unscented Chamomile, of which Alma has a lot is one of those weeds. Ginni will get in touch with Theresa to talk about this and see how it will work with MRHI.

Adjourn Meeting – Ginni adjourned the meeting at 12:10pm.

Mapping Presentation – Last summer Bruce Metzger mapped 285 miles of trails in the Mosquito Range. He also collected 1,649 Reference Points, and 216 Points of Interest. He gave a presentation of the results of his mapping.

Minutes submitted by Ginni Greer
May 28, 2009