

Mosquito Range Heritage Initiative
Annual Meeting Minutes
May 15, 2010

Board Members in attendance: Jara Johnson, John Carr, Ginni Greer, Cara Doyle
Board Members not present: Sheila Skaggs, Linda Carr, Megan Watkins
Others present: Bruce Metzger, Tim Zingler, Andrew Zimmerman

The meeting was called to order at 11:20 am.

The agenda was accepted as is.

Treasurer's Report: John Carr reported that our current checking account balance is \$5,351.68

John also reported that MRHI must re-register with the State of Colorado in July. No reminders will be sent to do this.

2009/2010 Budget: Cara Doyle presented the updated 2010 budget.

The National Park Service contract is in process. See below for additional information regarding this contract.

John asked Cara to give him any equipment MRHI owns so that he can make a list of equipment with serial numbers.

A copy of the proposed budget is attached at the end of these Minutes. Because we did not have a quorum present, Ginni will conduct an email vote to approve the budget as submitted.

2009 Accomplishments: Ginni Greer presented a list of everything MRHI did in the past year. One update was requested—Cara reported that 2 meetings were held and that 2 documents have been created reporting on Dr. Keske's study.

It was requested that we post the Accomplishments on the website. Ginni will do this. A copy is attached at the end of the minutes.

2010 Goals: Ginni Greer presented a list of what MRHI plans to accomplish this year.

One update was requested—the following entries are really all part of one project, the continuation of a comprehensive trail plan: Trails Planning Neighborhood Meetings, BLM information gathering for new trails for Mt. Sherman, Trails Plan Report, MRHI 2010 Mapping
It was requested that we post the Goals on the website. A copy is attached at the end of the minutes.

Continental Divide Land Trust: Cara Doyle reported that CDLT is looking into the possibility of preserving open space in Park County through land preservation agreements. In December 2009, Cara and Ginni Greer attended a meeting with CDLT to discuss options and feasibility. CDLT is moving forward by sponsoring a number of events in Park County. The first event is a slide show by John Fielder on 'The Ranches of Colorado', June 25, 6:00pm at the Alma Town Hall. A suggested donation of \$10 is requested. MRHI will receive half of all proceeds collected that evening.

National Park Service Contract: Cara Doyle reported that the NPS Contract is in process. This is a reimbursement contract—the contract is for \$15,000; we need to pay expenses up front, and we will be reimbursed. The contract will include money for trails update, completing mapping project, neighborhood meetings, crew leader training for 3 people, maps and newsletter reproduction to name a few.

BLM Meeting update: John Carr reported on a meeting he had with the BLM in Canon City. The BLM is interested in looking into the feasibility of creating a new trail on Mt. Sherman to possibly relocate from Four Mile to an area with less private land. MRHI has already mapped trails on Sherman in the Mosquito Range and can pass this data on to the BLM. We would also help by mapping existing trails on the Leadville side and doing surveys and determining current numbers of people climbing the peak from Four Mile. If a trail were created from the Sacramento Gulch area, it would be a very long route, the current road ends at a cul-de-sac on private property and it would need to start on Forest Service property.

Fundraising Calendar update: Jara Johnson reported on the status of the MRHI 2011 Calendar. She has selected the 13 winning photos and had a mock up of the calendar page.

Upcoming Events: A copy of the 2010 MRHI calendar of events was distributed. There are still a few events that need to be scheduled. They are listed at the bottom of the page. A copy is attached at the end of the minutes.

Election of new board members:

John Carr and Megan Watkins are leaving the board. Ginni Greer thanked them for their years of service on the board and John, especially as treasurer.

The following were nominated to the MRHI board of directors:

Jenny Gannon
Paula Scanland
Andrew Zimmerman (Hector)

John and Linda Carr possibly have one more name to present; they are waiting to hear if he will accept the nomination.

Because we did not have a quorum present, we could not vote on these additions to the board. Ginni will conduct an email vote on accepting the proposed new board members.

Election of Officers:

The following nominations were made to fill the officer positions:

President – Jara Johnson
Vice President – Andrew Zimmerman
Treasurer – Jenny Gannon
Secretary – Ginni Greer

Because we did not have a quorum present, we could not vote on filling these positions. Once the new board members have been confirmed, Ginni will conduct an email vote on officer positions.

Colorado East Bank Accounts: After we have approved the new board members and elected officials, we need to vote on the following. Again, an email vote will be conducted.

- Delete existing signatories who have access to the Safe Deposit Box: John Carr, Megan Watkins, Ginni Greer
- Give President, Treasurer, Secretary, Executive Director access to the Safe Deposit Box.
- Delete existing signatories who have access to the checking & savings accounts: John Carr, Jim Mauch, Ginni Greer
- Give President, Treasurer, Executive Director access to checking and savings accounts.

Adjourn Meeting: The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 pm, followed by lunch, and a slide show of all the pictures submitted for the calendar contest.

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Because we did not have a quorum present at the meeting, the following items were voted on via email:

On Tuesday, May 18 the following were elected to the board:
Jennie Gannon
Paula Scanland
Andrew Zimmerman

On Thursday, May 20 the following officers were elected:

1. President: Jara Johnson
2. Vice President: Andrew (Hector) Zimmerman
3. Treasurer: Jennie Gannon
4. Secretary: Ginni Greer

On Thursday, May 20 the following was voted on and approved unanimously:

A. Delete existing signatories:

John Carr from the checking and savings accounts, and the safe deposit box
Megan Watkins from the safe deposit box
Jim Mauch from the checking and savings accounts, and the safe deposit box

B. Add the following signatories:

Jennie Gannon, Treasurer, to the checking and savings accounts, and the safe deposit box
Jara Johnson, President, to the checking and savings accounts, and the safe deposit box
Ginni Greer, Secretary to the safe deposit box

C. Cara Doyle, Executive Director, is to remain on the checking and savings accounts, and the safe deposit box

For clarification, following are the accounts at Colorado East which are referred to above:

Checking – xxxxxx3801
Savings – xxxxxx3810
Safe Deposit Box – xxxxxx3892

On Sunday, May 23 the 2010 budget was voted on and approved unanimously.

Minutes submitted by
Ginni Greer

MRHI PROPOSED BUDGET 2010

Income

National Park Service	\$15,000
Park County Office of Historic Preservation	500
Bureau of Land Management	1,500
Memberships/donations	1,500
Fundraising	2,500
TOTAL:	\$21,000

Expenses

Personnel	\$0
Administrative	
Office/Copying	1,800
Accounting	175
Insurance	1,000
Operating	
GPS Supplies	1,925
Signage	1,800
Meeting Expenses	700
Mt. Bross 14er Trail Project	1,000
Crew Leader Training	500
Fundraising/events	2,500
Memberships	100
Other	100
Travel	
Travel/Mileage	900
Consultants	
GPS Consultant Fees	7,000
TOTAL:	\$19,500

Mosquito Range Heritage Initiative -- 2009 Accomplishments

PROJECT	GOALS	TIMELINE	PARTNERS	PERSONNEL	ACCOMPLISHMENTS
Trails Planning--neighborhood meetings	Identify trails & define priorities on an individual neighborhood basis to create a master trails plan.	2009-10	USFS NPS Neighborhood residents Park County	Cara Jara Ginni	We held 3 meetings on Mosquito Gulch area on 19, March 19, Apr. 19, identified areas to visit and completed one day of trail work on the issue identified (June 20)
Historical & trail signage development and installation.	Design and install signage to identify key historic & cultural sites and trails to educate users and reduce vandalism and/or conflicts.		Park County USFS		Delays were encountered
14er Trail Development	Complete Lincoln/Democrat 14er Trail	June-October 2009	Colorado Mountain Club Colorado 14ers Initiative USFS WRV	Ginni	Trail project on Mt. Democrat July 18, 19. MRHI recruited local volunteers, assisted in securing camping area. On June 1, 2009 in conjunction with park MRHI announced the conditional opening of trail to Lincoln and Democrat.
CSU NRI Study	In cooperation with CSU, define economic opportunities related to recreational resources within South Park & Leadville areas.	2008-2011	Dr. Catherine Keske, CSU	Cara	Two meetings were held in 2009--one in Alma and one in Leadville. Dr. Kreske has written reports detailing her findings. One finding was that regardless of economics, people will continue to climb the
Trail Work – Trails	Forest Service Adopt-a-Trail: TieHack Mt. Bross & Mt. Democrat	2009	USFS WRV	Ginni Jara	MRHI adopted the trail and worked on it for 3 days (August 15, 16, 17, September 12 and 13)
Historical/cultural inventory & assessment of MRHI study area					There were no dates set to begin this work.

Inventory, assessment & prioritization of riparian areas within MRHI study area

There were no dates to begin this work.

Keep a community presence through social events

Social events including Poker Run, Poker Glide, Moon Walk, Adventure Series

2009

All Board Members

Adventure Series: Patagonia, Argentina January 23
Poker Glide, March
Mapping Presentation Results, June 11
Wildflower walk in conjunction with Platte Valley, July 12
Festival of the Clouds Booth, July 18, 19
Poker Ride, September
Moonwalk, October

Orphan Boy Mine Environmental Hazards review (added as an opportunistic activity)

Review potential seepage areas from former mining site on public lands

2009

CUSP

Linda

Forest service land surrounding the Orphan Mine was visited with representative from Seepage areas down from the mine on forest service land was no plans made for more depth followup in 20

Peak Steward Training (added as an opportunistic activity)

Colorado 14ers Initiative

Ginni

MRHI hosted the Colorado Stewards training, 14 Peak Stewards recruit volunteer days, 16 individuals, and 2,300 contacts at Lincoln, Democrat and Brosnahan trailhead.

Americorps Summer of Service Project (added as an opportunistic activity)

NPS Americorps

Ginni John

MRHI hosted American NCCC Summer of Service Project, June 22-26. Included trail maintenance on the Limber Grove

Trail Maintenance with high school students (added as an opportunistic activity)

South Park High School

Ginni Cara

South Park high school students trail work on September 20

Mosquito Range Heritage Initiative -- 2010 Project Overview - Goals

PROJECT	GOALS	TIMELINE	PARTNERS	PERCENTAGE
Trails Planning-- Neighborhood meetings	Identify trails & define priorities on an individual neighborhood basis to create a master trails plan. 2010 Neighborhood TBD (Placer Valley, Valley of the Sun/Sacramento Gulch, Warm Springs)	2010	USFS NPS Neighborhood residents Park County	
Trails Planning--BLM information gathering for new trails for Mt. Sherman	MRHI will assist the BLM in gathering information for a possible new trail for Mt. Sherman. Involves GPS'ing trails and gathering use statistics.	2010-2011		
Trails Planning--Trails Plan Report	Complete review and update of the Plan. Additional mapping may be necessary.	2010		
Trails Planning--MRHI 2010 Mapping	A continuation of our 2008 mapping, including areas identified in the MRHI Trails Plan, Mt. Sherman trails for BLM, and areas identified by Bruce in the 2008 Mapping Season Report.	2010	Ascent Mapping Services	
14er Trail Development	Complete Lincoln/Democrat/Bross 14er Trail	June- October 2010	Colorado Mountain Club Colorado 14ers Initiative USFS WRV	
Trail Work – Trails	Forest Service Adopt-a-Trail: TieHack SheepCreek Beaver Creek	June- October 2010	USFS BLM Park County	
Mt. Bross trail	Contact land owners on Mt. Bross to gain permission for trail to summit	2010-2011	Colorado Mountain Club Colorado 14ers Initiative USFS	
Historical & trail signage development and installation.	Design and install signage to identify key historic & cultural sites and trails to educate users and reduce vandalism and/or conflicts.		Park County (Linda Balough, Gary Nichols) USFS	

CSU NRI Study	In cooperation with CSU, define economic opportunities related to recreational resources within South Park & Leadville areas.	2008-2011	Dr. Catherine Keske, CSU
Historical/cultural inventory & assessment of MRHI study area		TBD	
Inventory, assessment & prioritization of riparian areas within MRHI study area		TBD	
Keep a community presence through social events	Social events including Poker Ride, Poker Glide, Moon Walk, Adventure Series, Festival of the Clouds	2010	
Photo Contest and Fundraising Calendar	A Mosquito Range photo contest with the winner's photos used to create a 2011 calendar.	2010	
Continental Divide Land Trust's Park County Expansion	CDLT would like to expand service into Park County. They will do outreach events to attract an interested audience. Events: John Fielder slide show, wildflower walk, cocktail party.	On-going	CDLT
Engage high school students in MRHI activities	Poker Glide, Poker Ride, Sponser a trail day specifically for students.	2010	South Park High School
US Fish & Wildlife Service invited MRHI to participate in a restoration plan for the Penland Alpine Fen Mustard.	US Fish & Wildlife Service wants local contacts. We could possibly offer funding for projects, offer a way to get to areas to find the plants.	2010-2011	US Fish & Wildlife Service
Pine Beetle Infestation: Education, Identification, Intervention, Prevention	Provide educational information on the pine beetle infestation to Park County Residents. Mobilize a task force to Identify areas of outbreak and outline an intervention/prevention plan	2010-2011	To be determined

MRHI 2010 Calendar of Events

January 11 - Board Meeting, 6:00pm, Alma Town Hall

February 27 - Snowshoe/Winter Trail Maintenance on the TieHack Trail, meet at the Forest Service office in Fairplay at 9:00am or at the trailhead at 9:15am .

March 8 - Board Meeting, 6:00pm, Alma Town Hall

March 13 - Poker Glide

April 15 - Deadline for Photo Submissions for Calendar Photo Contest

April 16 - MRHI Outdoor Adventure Series, "Yellowstone Field Work: Wolf Predation & Observations", 6:00pm, Alma Town Hall

April 30 - Winners of Calendar Photo Contest Announced

May 15 - MRHI Annual Meeting, Membership Drive & Volunteer Appreciation Day

June 12, 13 - MRHI presents Peak Steward Training in conjunction with CFI, Alma Town Hall/Mt. Bross

June 16 - Tie Hack Trail Maintenance

June 25 - MRHI presents John Fielder slide show in conjunction with CDLT, 6:00pm, Alma Town Hall

July 12 - MRHI Board Meeting, 6:00pm, Alma Town Hall

July 17, 18 - MRHI at the Festival of the Clouds

August 14, 15 - Mt. Bross Trail Maintenance in conjunction with WRV, CFI; register at www.wlrv.org

September 13 - MRHI Board Meeting, 6:00pm, Alma Town Hall

September 19 - MRHI Poker Ride, Fairplay

October 23 - MRHI Moon Walk, 7:00pm, Buckskin Joe Cemetery, Alma

November 8 - MRHI Board Meeting, 6:00pm, Alma Town Hall

Tentatively scheduled, but no date yet:

Trail maintenance day (possibly August 22)

Moon light walk led by Kim Dufty

Nature walk for little ones (ages 4 - 8)

Trail maintenance day for high school students in September