

Mosquito Range Heritage Initiative
Board Meeting
September 12, 2008

Board Members Present: Ginni Greer, John Carr, Megan Watkins, Jim Mach, Cara Doyle, Tanya Micek

Board Members Absent: Stan Moore (excused absence)

Others Present: Sheila Skaggs, Bruce Metzger, Jara Johnson, Debi O'Brien, Lance Miller, Alice Phillips

Introductions

Approval of agenda: Agenda was accepted

Approve minutes – don't have minutes from March or May to approve; will do next meeting. July meeting was cancelled.

Silverheels Ball – Debi... Alma Foundation is sponsoring the Ball, proceeds will be used for the Alma Riverwalk. The Alma Foundation would like to consider passing the event on to MRHI to sponsor next year.

Cara – Re-grouping... Send minute meetings – draft to whole board vs. Cara. Send corrections to Tanya. Send to Tim for final posting website. Was a difficult summer with schedules and vacations. We need to reorganize; start fresh, take a deep breath. Try and recruit more members; we are too stretched to do it all. Passionate about the Mosquito Range mountains. Share the dream.

Cara working on better communication with the board. Colorado State Parks \$20,000 grant. We received \$10,000 of this grant and are waiting for the remaining \$10,000. It will be used to create a master trails plan. Part of that is to pay the interns, mapping work and general work that needs to be done as part of the grant.

2nd Grant from Summit Foundation. Pay for newsletter, cards, signs, brochure. Cara made executive decision to request the grant for \$2500. Remainder will be used for membership and educational efforts.

Colorado Open Lands – wetlands Office considerations and budget. Taking strategic plan – what would the cost be to have a paid staff and will be using that for 10 year business plan going forward.

Ginni needs email addresses and phone numbers of board members – asking for list; will distribute list to board members

Treasurer's report – \$3,034.54 in Checking. Savings 21.16

Changing meeting dates – Friday Afternoon Club. 2nd Friday 5:30. Change format of meeting to board business (treasurer's report, minute approval, grants, etc.) from 5:30 to 6:30 and general planning, more fun stuff starting at 6:30.

Annual Meeting – changing the date to the 3rd weekend in May.

Bruce Metzger gave a status of the mapping project. He is our GPS intern. Contract was agreed upon. 520 hours was the expectation. He has worked 20-30 hours a week. He has put in 277 hours or 52% of the hours. He had long days in the field and is now editing / office work that needs to be done. Whats left to be done could amount to the 520 hours; he can do it Oct. / Nov. Volunteers could possibly do more field work. GIS training, maybe for Jara. Digital photography of trails was done by day... Bruce has the knowledge. He's the man.

Jara would like permission to use the GPS equipment to map the cemetery for the Alma Foundation. The Alma Foundation donated \$200 to MRHI for this purpose.

Volunteer recruitment

We need new board members – Sheila (not committing right now)

Committee members – need to get a list of the required committees. Ginni will bring to the next meeting.

Membership – We need a chairperson. Sheila will head committee, with Ginni and Cara helping.

Members will get a newsletter, sticker and membership card. We have already discussed and decided on levels, etc.

Poker Run is this weekend. Megan has done a great job with donations, etc. Jim and others will go out and rake the trail on Friday, clearing rocks; marking the trail where necessary. Not many people have signed up yet. There will be a map for everyone.

Adventure Series – October 17, Steve Bonowski, New Zealand. Ginni agreed previously to chair this.

Moonwalk – Sheila will organize this and will talk to Kirsten Springer first.

Poker Glide 2009 – Tanya agreed to chair this; need committee members. March 14, 2009. Will talk about it more at the next meeting.

Social Events – Hike, Cross country ski – do we want to do some of these this year? Tanya will host a cross country ski.

Website updates – website needs updated. Ginni will contact Tim to change board meeting dates and time and annual meeting change. Also need to get remaining minutes approved and posted to site.

Trail Signage – next meeting

Meeting Adjourned at 8:15pm

Minutes submitted,

Tanya Micek