

Mosquito Range Heritage Initiative
Board Meeting Minutes
November 9, 2009

In Attendance: Linda Carr, John Carr, Megan Watkins, Sheila Skaggs, Cara Doyle, Jara Johnson, Ginni Greer

Others in Attendance: Jan Metzger, Bruce Metzger, Tim Zingler, Dave Cooper

Absent:

Approve minutes from September meeting

Treasurer's Report – John Carr presented the MRHI financial spreadsheet. Our current checking account balance is \$4,069.55

Budget – Cara put together a budget which was reviewed. Linda Carr motioned to approve the budget as submitted; seconded by Sheila Skaggs.

Poker Ride Recap

Individual thank you notes sent? No, they haven't been done; Cara will do this.
Need final numbers to settle \$\$ with Forest Service – SPRD; Ginni will do this.
Survey results

Moonwalk Recap – Sheila reported that there were approximately 128 attendees. We raised \$435 in donations. The new moonwalk pins cost \$277. We need to pay \$125 to the Alma Cemetery committee. John will forward a check to the Alma Foundation/Cemetery committee.

Fundraising Activities

MRHI calendar

Goodsearch.com – Ginni Greer emailed info on goodsearch to the board members earlier this year. MRHI needs to sign up with goodsearch and then publicize to our members to use goodsearch when searching on the internet. Every time they do, MRHI receives a small amount of money. Ginni will sign MRHI up and notify everyone when we are ready to start using it.

Adventure Series Presentations – Thursday nights – give speaker ideas to Cara Doyle and priority

Possibilities include: Avalanche class – December; First Aid Class; Megan's friend, Pemba--Maybe we could host a Nepalese dinner before the talk; Wind Rivers; Wildflowers – endangered species; Alaska

2010 Calendar of Events

2010 Poker Glide

Summer events – trail maintenance; full moon walk – do we need a forest service permit, this could maybe be a family walk in the Bristlecone forest; crew leader training;

CUSP weed pull; a 'sign' work day; a high school kids work day; support the Alma Foundation's weed pull; any others?

Ginni will check with CFI and WRV for trail work dates this summer on Mt. Bross.

2010 Poker Ride – suggestions include modified Beaver Creek Loop with the bike trail to Alma as a possible family route; Sheep Creek Trail. Scheduled Sunday, September 19 as the date.

20K bike or run during the Alma Fest – do we want to attempt this? We decided to think about this again for 2011.

Membership database – Ginni Greer and Linda Carr have been emailing each other to talk about creating a MS Access database. They will pursue this. The drawback to a database is that not everyone has Access on their home computers.

Renewal notices – some current members are asking for renewal notices.

Americorps Project for June 2010 – we need to get in touch with them; Jara Johnson offered to take on the coordination role. Ginni will send contact info and application for the 2010 season to Jara.

- From an email: The High Country Conservation Center is joining fundraising forces with Park County Vision 2020s Recycling Initiative. HC3 is taking the Recycling Challenge agreeing to promote the challenge to its members and supporters. The goal is for each organization to get ten people to sign up and try to raise \$500 by the end of next April. All who sign up will be rewarded for their efforts with a party in Fairplay and a luncheon in Summit. To sign up for The Recycling Challenge, just reply to this email or call Jeni at 970-485-3837.

This is a worthwhile event, but not in our charter now. We decided not to do anything with this.

- For the January agenda, talk about expanding the MRHI study area.

- Continental Divide Land Trust (CDLT) – they have contacted Cara and Ginni to attend a fact finding meeting; they are interested in moving into Park County and would like MRHI's input.

- Forest Service SPRD – They still don't have a permanent District Ranger.

- Send an email to the MRHI yahoo groups – greetings, letter, membership

- Thermal mugs – fund raiser, check into pricing

- Tree removal at the Alma Cemetery – call CUSP

- Bruce stated that CUSP will be doing water monitoring this summer in the MRHI study area. They would possibly want to work with MRHI regarding contacting land owners. They work with the FS now to place monitoring stations.

- Cara will work with Carol from CUSP

- It was suggested that we do something to thank Tanya Micek/OutYaGo; she has been such a great support for MRHI and has done so much for us in 2008/2009—has served on the MRHI board, organized and hosted community events, hosted BBQs after trail work, supported WRV, CFI, etc. We could get her a gift certificate to a spa or for a massage. \$100 was suggested for a gift certificate. John Carr made a motion to get a \$100 gift certificate for Tanya Micek; the motion was seconded by Sheila Skaggs.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25pm.