



MINUTES OF THE CHAFFEE COUNTY HERITAGE AREA ADVISORY BOARD

Thursday, February 25, 2016 Buena Vista Public Library

Members Present: Melanie Roth, Kay Krebs, Emily Katsimpalis, Gary Mason, John McCarthy, Kathy Moore, Nancy Roberts, Steve Harris, Alison Ramsey

Absent: Kristi Jefferson, John Nahomenuk

Guest: Andrea Coen

Chair Melanie Roth called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm.

Approval of Minutes from January 7, 2016

Upon a motion by Kay Krebs, seconded by Gary Mason, the minutes of the January 7, 2016 meeting were approved.

Related news

Melanie Roth announced that Historic St. Elmo has received another grant from the SHF for stabilization and restoration and BV Heritage has received a similar grant for assessment of the old courthouse.

FHWA 2011 Grant - Scenic Byway Conservation Coalition Project

The 2011 FHWA grant is now complete with the searchable document on-line and a brochure printed and ready for distribution. Melanie Roth believes it is important to use the brochure as a way to reach out to candidates for County Commissioners, as well as the County Planning Department, and will coordinate this effort with Andrew Mackie of LTUA. Alison Ramsey noted that the Chaffee County Visitors Bureau will refile a grant request for Heritage Tourism Marketing.

FHWA 2012 Grant

This grant is also complete. Guidestone and others, with support from the Colorado Tourism Office, is working to present an agritourism event at the Salida Steamplant on April 22. Alison Ramsey, Kay Krebs, and John McCarthy attended some planning meetings, however the event is focused on current agricultural production and does present a significant opportunity to showcase CCHAAB or Collegiate Peaks Scenic Byway efforts.

Outreach

GARNA is presenting a 20th Anniversary Celebration at the Mt. Princeton Resort on April 7 and all GARNA affiliates are invited to present a table display of their programs. Kay Krebs will attend and bring the CCHAAB story board prepared for last summer's event at the Comanche Drive-in.

SHF Nomination Grant

CCHAAAB is working to prepare a grant proposal for nominations for five additional properties: Garfield Miner's Cabin in Garfield (#1 priority), Frantzhurst Rainbow Trout Hatchery in Salida (#2 priority), the Ashley/Gabathuler/Doughert/Aicher House in Buena Vista, Clear Creek Canyon School in Granite Vicinity, and the Turret Post Office. The grant is due by April 1, 2016. Alison Ramsey noted that a grant from SHF will require a 25% contribution from local funds, and while the Commissioners have been receptive to prior funding requests, the CCHAAB at some point may be required to provide financial data on how historic place designations benefit the County.

Nancy Roberts suggested that some of the historic ranch properties on the original survey list be considered for the nomination process. Melanie Roth and Nancy will contact some of the ranch owners, and if receptive, will investigate the possibility of grant funding for a structural study and eventual restoration of some these historic buildings.

Next Meeting - Salida, moved from April 7 to April 14.

Melanie Roth adjourned the meeting at 1:42 pm.