



## **MINUTES OF THE CHAFFEE COUNTY HERITAGE AREA ADVISORY BOARD**

**Thursday April 4, 2018**

**Methodist Mountain Room, Toubert Building, Salida**

**Members Present:** Melanie Roth, John McCarthy, Andrea Coen, Nancy Roberts, April Franklin, Emily Katsimpalis, Susan Nies, Clifford Mestel, Alison Ramsey

**Absent:** Susanna Spaulding

Chair Melanie Roth called the meeting to order at 12:10 pm.

### **Approval of Minutes from March 1, 2018**

Upon a motion by Cliff Mestel, seconded by Andrea Coen, the minutes of the March 1, 2018 meeting were approved with one minor correction of members present.

### **Board Officer Election**

Upon a motion by April Franklin, seconded by Emily Katsimpalis, the Board approved appointment of Andrea Coen as Vice Chair. Andrea indicated a possible interest in the Board Chair position in 2019. John McCarthy will continue as Secretary.

### **2017 SHF Grant**

Contact has finally been established with the owner of the Garfield mining cabin, and she is fully cooperating in the effort to complete the nomination ~~grant submission~~. The Simmons are continuing work on the other properties as noted in the March 1 minutes. It was suggested that it would be helpful if the Simmons could attend a future meeting and explain the nomination process to the new Board members. Emily Katsimpalis reported that the Collegiate Peaks Rodeo Grounds ~~Town of Buena Vista Recreation Department~~ was considering applying for was an SHF mini-grant for a structural assessment and repairs, and the cost estimates from the structural engineer came back at more than double the original estimated amount, so the funds that were available for the match were not enough to cover the new estimates.

### **Section Title?**

Melanie Roth reported that the Board of County Commissioners approved \$9,000 to fund a hydraulic engineering study of Stone Bridge.

### **CLG Discussion**

Emily and Melanie reported that a new employee in the County Planning Department, Christie Barton, is someone who could head a CLG designation for Chaffee County, however she is not familiar with the process and will need some education after she gets up to speed with current job requirements.

### **Oral Histories with ranching families**

Nancy Roberts and Melanie assisted with ~~attended~~ a video taping of two of Bruce Cogan's aunts: Kathleen & Elizabeth, and one uncle in Colorado Springs. They hope to tape Brady Everett's uncle this summer. Nathan Ward handles the videotaping and they will potentially be included in the Salida Library's history collection. Nancy believes the families will have a privacy issue with releasing the entire video session, and suggested that audio clips with a slide show would be the way to go. The Central Colorado Conservancy has indicated they could provide funding for oral history recording support. They need a budget to be submitted in order to make a support decision. ~~editing the tapes into useable format.~~

### **Additional Project Ideas – Hutchison Homestead**

Andrea Coen reported on a June 23<sup>rd</sup> event at the Homestead with senior members of local ranching families discussing ranching history in Chaffee County. They are also planning Heritage Agriculture Day on August 26 with a display of historic ranching equipment and cowboy music.

### **Outreach**

It was suggested that CCHAAB have a booth at upcoming farmer's markets in Salida and BV to educate residents on the importance of preserving their local history, and to inform them of the CCHAAB's work in this area.

### **Board Social**

A social event with all present and past CCHAAB members invited, will be held on May 3 at Amica's in Salida. The event will begin at 5pm and is Dutch treat.

### **Next Meeting**

Thursday May 17 in Buena Vista, location TBD

Melanie Roth adjourned the meeting at 1:45 pm