



**Minutes of the Chaffee County Heritage Area Advisory Board Meeting
Tuesday, September 17, 2013 - 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm
Tenderfoot Mtn Room, Touber Building, Salida**

Attendees:

Kristi Jefferson	City of Salida - Planning
Fay Golson	At-large
Kay Krebs	Nathrop
Melanie Roth	BV Heritage (Chair)
Alison Ramsey	GARNA /Administrator
Leslie Walker	HIS, Historic Salida Inc. /Historic Preservation
John “Nomi” Nahomenuk	BLM

Absent:

Meghan Mulholland (USFS)
Nancy Roberts (Ranching)
Steve Harris (GARNA)
Gary Mason (LTUA)

Melanie called meeting to order at 12:05 pm. She introduced Suzy Kelly a visitor from BV Heritage.

Approval of Minutes from 8/8/13

Fay and Nomi noted a few minor corrections. Nomi moved that the minutes for 8/8/13 meeting be approved as amended. Melanie seconded. All voted in favor.

CCHAAB - Buena Vista Seat

Melanie contacted Buena Vista and spoke to Dee Miller the new Town Planner. She is willing to be the Buena Vista representative, however the Town Trustees need to approve her appointment. Melanie will call Dee Miller again next month.

FHWA 2010 Byway grant – Historic Wayside Signs

The grant is ending 9/30/2013. All parties need to get their cash reimbursable requests and their in-kind invoices into Alison so that she can finalize the paperwork.

The Ribbon Cutting ceremony was a success. Approximately 25 people attended. The two speakers Bob Hickey and Bill Dvorak were great. Melanie will send a “Thank you” note to them. A picture of Board members; Dennis Giese, Chaffee County Commissioner; and Katherine McCoy was in the Mountain Mail. Town of BV still needs to get their signs installed. Melanie will submit the invoice for the requested 6 sacks of sackcrete. The Town of Buena Vista pledged \$675 of in-kind services which need to be completed by the end of the month. Alison will contact BV recreation director Kathryn Wadsworth.

SHF Grant /other future grants – Melanie Roth

The Board agreed to apply for a \$35,000 SHF grant to hire a consultant to prepare State and/or National Historic Register nominations for several historic properties.

SHF grant application is due 10/1/2013. Leslie contacted the five individual site and one district property owners by telephone. They all gave their approval via email. We now have a preliminary list for our grant application. Alison will contact Tom & Laurie Simmons for a finalized budget.

Melanie agreed to complete writing the grant. We need letters of support from public officials and community leaders. Alison will contact – HSI, BV Heritage, the Town of Buena Vista, Chaffee County, the Visitor's Bureau and the Town of Poncha Springs. Melanie, Fay and Leslie agree to complete the rest of the grant application.

The Nachtrieb Ranch, DeWitt Ranch, Kelly Ranch (1879), Suzy and Bryce Kelly - Suzy Kelly is planning to do the nomination herself.

Colorado Central Magazine published an article by Fay on the Love Ranch in the August issue and part 2 was published in the September issue.

FHWA 2011 Byway grant – CO Scenic Byways Conservation Coalition project

Alison has been coordinating with Andrew Mackie at LTUA. To date we have sponsored along with GARNA and the LTUA two Scenic Byway Tours. The Northern Tour was held Sunday July 14 and the Southern Tour was held Sunday August 18. Board members were asked to think about future projects that we want to complete under this grant and be prepared to discuss the grant next board meeting.

FHWA 2012 Byway grant – CO Scenic Conservation Coalition project

No progress. Grant has not been funded.

Stone Bridge update

Melanie stated that the bridge has received its official National Register listing. Now the county will work with a consultant to do the HSA - Historic Structural Assessment. Bob Christiansen from Chaffee County is preparing a grant application for funding.

Melanie will contact James Redmond, Mountain Mail staff writer to do an article on the bridge. Nomi suggested that the county purchase a plaque from the National Parks to be attached to the bridge. Kay agreed to plan a celebration at the bridge for 2014.

Special use review; request for comments

Melanie sent out an email requesting the Board's comments on the AT&T tower to be erected in Centerville on Bill Dvorak's property. She handed out copies of her letter to Don Reimer, Chaffee County Development Director. The 80 ft. tower was approved at the BOCC meeting.

Land Use code updates

October 1 will be the last public hearing on the code. Melanie reported that the Planning Commission is happy with the code as written and amended.

Next Meeting will be October 31, Methodist Mountain Room, Touber Building from 12:00 to 2:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.