



Chaffee County Heritage Area Advisory Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, May 17, 2018
BV Library Community Meeting Room

In Attendance: Melanie Roth, Susanne Spaulding, Lee Coveney, Dominique Naccarato, Susan Nies, April Franklin, Emily Katsimpalis, Andrea Coen. Absent: Cliff Mestel, Nancy Roberts, John McCarthy

Chair Melanie Roth called the meeting to order at 12:15pm

Approval of Minutes:

Discussion included revision of language regarding the SHF Grant and Oral Histories sections.

SHF Grant items:

- the Board of Commissioners approved funds of \$9000 for a hydraulic engineering study of Stone Bridge is not in relation to the 2017 SHF Grant and has been moved to a different section of the minutes.
- Collegiate Peaks Rodeo Grounds (not Town of Buena Vista) was considering applying for a SHF mini-grant.

Oral Histories:

- Need to determine an eventual disposition of the completed video histories – Salida Library? Other?
- Correction re: recent video tape interviewees – Bruce Cogan’s aunts Kathleen & Elizabeth Cogan, and an uncle.
- Central Colorado Conservancy is potentially willing to support the video process, but not clear whether it’s the video of raw footage, the editing process, or both. CCC needs a budget request before making a final determination of support.

With no further discussion/ edits identified:

Motion to Approve: April Franklin

2nd: Emily Katsimpalis

AIFO: All

GARNA Transition

Dominique Naccarato, GARNA Executive Director, was welcomed into the group, and will be stepping into Alison Ramsey’s role as staff administrator, as Alison is leaving GARNA. Dominique, Melanie, Alison and Andrea will get together to discuss the transition of administrative pieces – meeting date set for Wednesday, May 30. Time & Location TBD. GARNA is hiring a new Community Outreach Associate, and that person will take over GARNA website management, including the CCHAAB web page.

2017 SHF Grant

The Simmons are working on scheduling surveys and having a difficult time getting in touch with Kristi Staudt of the Hill Ranch. Melanie hasn’t looked back at the grant nominations, but needs to follow up and look at the grant deliverables and reporting process.

CLG Discussion

Discussion points included:

- Do we need a meeting with Christy Barton? April has reached out to her several times but has not been able to connect. The goal being to determine if Chaffee County has the administrative capacity

to take on a CLG Commission. Perhaps Patty Baldwin is actually the better person suited for this role within the county?

- Concern would be if we became an 'official' county CLG Board, would we have the same abilities/ impact as an advisory board?
- CCHAAB would become a historic preservation commission – formalizing the role of the board from advisory. The County would administer the grants.
- Chaffee County as a CLG would open up opportunities for local landmark distinctions, and availability to the same funding sources as state and federal landmark designations.
- A CLG designation would also allow opportunities to apply for non-match grants, but under \$35,000 (as opposed to SHF grants that require 25% match)
- Would the county be open to larger grants if the opportunity arose, or would Tabor become an issue?
- Emily will follow up with Christy in a couple of weeks if she hasn't heard back from her by then, and cc Patty Baldwin.

Oral Histories

- Melanie will send a link to the Kathleen Cogan video for the group to view. Also noted was Elizabeth Cogan's book, 'Three Sisters From the Ranch', only available on Amazon, but worth buying/ reading in capturing these stories.
- The primary focus of scheduling and documenting these oral history interviews is that the aging ranching population is a 'dwindling resource', and there is immediacy in the need to capture these stories.
- Andrea will create a Google Doc & share with the Board to all contribute ideas of potential interviews. Nancy &/ or Melanie will prioritize this list. Current top priority interviews include Margaret Cogan Eggleston and the Everetts.
- Andrea will also ask Breanne Nugent, SHF Grant Program Specialist, about the feasibility of submitting an Education Grant for the Oct. 1 grant round focused on support of this oral histories project.
- Based on a Grit & Thistle Invoice, costs are \$500/ interview – does this include both raw footage & editing?
- Grit & Thistle provided an invoice for the initial interviews completed: \$1086.00. The CCHAAB currently has approx. \$1500 available in their account to cover this expense.
- Andrea will draft a project/ budget narrative to submit to Central Colorado Conservancy regarding the possibility of funding support toward these videography costs. This draft will be sent to Lee, Melanie & Dominique for review, and Lee will submit to CCC.

Additional Project Ideas

In 2007(?), an original Reconnaissance Survey was conducted by CCHAAB on 1000 properties throughout Chaffee County, including photos and inventory sheets, and approximately 70 were initial identified for **??**. Melanie suggested in may be time to conduct a Phase 2 of this project, either to go back through the original raw data to find additional properties to address, or to conduct a new windshield survey.

No Special Use review requests this month.

Invitations:

BV Heritage Annual Meeting & Dinner, Friday, May 18th. 5:30 mtg/ 6:30 apps/ drinks/ silent auction
Going away party for Alison Ramsey, Wednesday, June 6th, Soulcraft, 4-6pm

Next Mtg: Thursday, June 28th, 12-2pm, Toubert Building, Salida

Meeting schedule through 2018: Aug. 9, Sept. 20 (BV), Nov. 1, Dec. 13