



Membership Meeting. May 26, 2021. Bank of Colorado.

Roll Call. Board Members Present: Nathan Sponseller, Tracy Ihnot, Mitch Swanda, Kim Shay, Sue Whittlesey, and Robbie Winne. Board Members Absent: Bill Long. Community Members Present: None.

Call to Order. President Swanda called the meeting of the membership and Board to order at 12:05 pm.

Approval of Minutes.

Executive Director Nathan Sponseller emailed the draft of the April 28 minutes to Board members for review. Whittlesey made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted and Winne seconded. All were in favor.

Treasurer's Report.

Whittlesey provided the Treasurer's report prior to the meeting for board members to review. The current balance in operations is \$4,273.74 and special projects is \$16,513.77. Ihnot made a motion to accept the report as submitted and Shay seconded. All were in favor.

Administrative Report.

Membership update. Sponseller is preparing to submit an ad to local papers thanking the 2021 membership. A notification was sent to former members encouraging them to re-join prior to the ad being placed. HCCC currently has 89 members. Sheep Dog Trials. Sponseller shared a thank you letter to HCCC from the Dog Trails manager for promoting and supporting the event. E-Newsletter. Sponseller is posting the newsletter on Facebook and sharing to community message boards. The last e-newsletter reached over 400 people. Sponseller plans to set it up so that people can subscribe to the newsletter directly from Facebook. Website. The website project is still on hold for right now while other tasks are taking priority. Food and Lodging Guide. The guide needs to be updated for 2021. Sponseller will begin to work on this project soon. Board members discussed assisting with contacting businesses. Colorado Grand Update. Darnell Place-Wise is now the appropriate contact for scheduling events at the Fairgrounds. Sponseller will reach out to her to confirm the fairgrounds as the location for the event.

President's Report:

Delta County Fair. Swanda reported that Bank of Colorado is hosting Family Night at the county fair. The current guidance from the county is that there are no restrictions on vendors or activities. Pioneer Days. Event organizers are seeking donations to cover costs. North Fork School Consolidation. Board members discussed the consolidation of the North Fork schools, particularly the merging of the booster clubs.

Presentations/Introductions:

No presentations/introductions.

Old Business.

Mural Repainting in Progress. Shay gave an update on the repainting of the mural on the side of Third Bowl Ice Cream's building (former Subway building). Third Bowl hired an artist from Crested Butte and is paying 100% of the costs associated with the project.

New Business.

No new business.

Committee Reports.

Hotchkiss Prosperity Plan update. No updates.

Outreach Committee. No updates.

Announcements/Non-Agenda Items.

Board members discussed getting actively involved in discussions with the Town of Hotchkiss and the county regarding future use of the Delta County Fairgrounds, including camping, bathrooms and water. Swanda will meet with Larry Wilkening, Mayor of Hotchkiss, to begin the discussion, and will report back the HCCC Board afterwards.

Shay gave an update on Hotchkiss High School Signboard that is posted on lot that Western Slope SUP purchased. The sign needs to be moved to a new location. Shay suggested that it be moved to the 3-way intersection by City Market and that HCCC write a letter of support. Shay volunteered to write the letter. Swanda volunteered to contact the sign's sponsor, Bollinger and Queen. The sign would need to be double-sided in the new location.

Next Membership Meeting. Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 30 at noon at the Fairgrounds.

Adjournment. Swanda adjourned the meeting at 1:20 pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Tracy Ihnot, Recording Secretary