

MINUTES
PWV BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
August 20, 2015 – 6:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Board Members present: Gerry Cashman, Richard Clopper, Mike Corbin, Jerry Hanley, Alan Meyer, Bob Meyer, Wendy Nicastle, Meg Parmer, Daryl Smith, and Kevin Cannon (USFS Liaison).

Board Members absent: Judy Christensen, David Fanning, Judy Jacks, and Mike Smith.

Advisory Board Members: Karl Ritters, Jim Shaklee, Margaret Shaklee, and Garin VanDeMark.

PWV Members present: Jamie McCue and Shannon Keigan.

AGENDA. The agenda was accepted as presented.

MINUTES. The July 2015 minutes, after minor changes, were approved by electronic vote, after the meeting.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS.

A) CHAIR MIKE CORBIN. Mike Corbin reported there were lots of patrols, Restoration is busy, and KIN has done some hikes. He noted the annual meeting in October (see below).

B) USFS REPORT. Kevin has been really busy. Work is ongoing at **North Fork**, which will be partially open to hikers on 8/24. Once we have some boggy areas mitigated, it will be partially open to stock riders also. Lower portion of the trail will need to wait to have both bridges installed and the trail completed. This may go into 2016. **Crosier Mountain trails** are open. Quick repairs were completed in 2014. More thorough repairs will be done in 2016 or 2017. **Hewlett Gulch** is open, but the early 2015 rains caused more damage. The Forest Service is making modifications to the trail as time allows. **Young Gulch** is still closed. The bulk of the work is planned for 2016, as time allows. Most efforts will be focused on this trail (rather than finishing North Fork). We are waiting for F&WS to finish the NEPA document. **Lion Gulch** is still closed. More work needs to be done to finish bridges and the upper part of the trail. The TH is being used by CDOT for storage, and it is expected to be there throughout 2016. NEPT complete. Regarding **Homestead Meadows**, the Pierson Park side was completely washed out and is unusable. We will look into other options, including a new route. We need to start NEPA when and if a new trail is identified, hopefully in 2016 or 2017.

Other Information: Laura Shaffer is the Rec Staff, and starts 8/24. Recreational Sport Shooting meeting at the Forest Service on 9/2, from 5 to 7 pm. Regional office is choosing a new Forest Supervisor; Glenn Casamassa is now in Washington DC. Soon we will advertise for a new District Ranger; Kevin Atchley is now Forest Supervisor for the Nebraska NF. **Visitor Center office hours' change:** possibly going to Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday (closed Wednesdays) during the Winter, from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm. Kevin on vacation August 27 through September 8.

C) TREASURER'S REPORT. Treasurer Bob Meyer showed the income and expense, budget-to-actual, and balance sheets on overhead screen; and explained the figures along the way. Bob

noted the \$14,000 being held for the Larimer County Work Crew because no statement has been received. He noted the funds we have on hand, restricted and unrestricted.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

A) YEAR END EVENT CELEBRATION. Alan Meyer reported this event will be held at the SANDANCE Steak House, 2716 E. Mulberry in Fort Collins, on Sunday, **October 25, 4:00 to 8:00 (entire time), with main event from 5:00 to 7:30 pm.** Alan is looking for 4-5 members to help with set-up. Mike Corbin and Alan are in charge of the program, Kathy the food, and Mike Smith is doing the audio and visual. Alan explained how he arrived at the invite list from the patrol website, and arrived at 736 members, to whom we will send Evites. This includes some past big supporters. **A motion was made and passed as follows:**

Increase the Awards Committee budget by \$250 to cover additional awards.

B) ANNUAL MEETING. Alan Meyer stated that half the October Board meeting would cover reports of officers, budget, Q&A's; and half of the meeting would cover election of new Board members. He will send an Email on these topics.

C) NEW MEMBER GET TOGETHER. Alan Meyer reported this was a fun event, members had a good time, food was good, and it was well organized. There were 19 new members in attendance.

D) FUND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. Wendy Nicastle reported the \$4530 website grant was received. Pour Brothers brew house has named PWV as the recipient of all tips received between 6:00 to 8:00 pm., on a Wednesday to be determined. We received a few funds from Amazon Smile. She explained the benefits to be derived from members' using King Soopers' gift cards. The Committee will purchase 80 cards for \$200, with each card containing credit of \$2.50. After we collectively reach \$5000 in purchases, PWV will net 5% of the overage. She will proceed with purchasing the cards, and members will be advised.

E) PATROL COMMITTEE. Mike Corbin reviewed lots of trail reports recently, and it is obvious some members are very confused. There were even some reports on trails that were not patrolled. We got lots of useful information, people want to learn proper reporting, it appears, and maybe some website changes should be considered. Reviewing the reports was productive, but painful. We are in need of another volunteer to help review reports. Members are good about making the suggested changes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS. None.

NEW BUSINESS.

A) RECRUITING and OUTREACH COMMITTEE. Madeleine Lecocq teaches English at Front Range Community College, and is interested in chairing our Recruiting and Outreach Committee. **A motion was made and carried as follows:**

Madeleine Lecocq is appointed Chair of the Recruiting & Outreach Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Meg K. Parmer, Secretary

Next Board Meeting: **September 17, 2015, 6:30 p.m.**