

Hyattville Community Services Association
January 16, 2009 Meeting Minutes

On November 17th, 2009, a discussion was initiated by Philip Caines via e-mail regarding changing the bank accounts for the Association over to American National Bank. Kevin moved we make the proposed change, Kris seconded, after some discussion, the Board passed the motion on January 6, 2009.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were John Johnson, Jenny Mercer, Kevin Negus, Phil Caines, Dave Greer, Kris Robertson and Tom Zierolf. Several community members attended as well.

Jenny gave a brief description of her ideas and items for the museum. She is forming a committee and would like interested community members to contact her. Items that would be available for loan so far are an early 19th century women's clothing collection, some 1920's attire, old Hyatt cow camp items, old Hyattville switchboard, school memorabilia, and various housewares. Kris gave a letter to Jenny asking that a written description/proposal for the museum be submitted by this fall to help meet current grant requirements. The architect currently employed by the Board does not design museums. Three rooms are available for museum use, those being the North classroom, the current history room, which must remain an office to fulfill fire code requirements, and the old boiler room for a possible storage area. The light from the windows will need to be controlled in the display room but they cannot be shut off completely due to the fire code.

Kevin then stated that the Cowboy Carnival will occur again this year on Memorial Day weekend. The Board is looking for any volunteers to come forward for events and the immediate need a chairperson to run the event. That person has several ex-chairpersons available for advice, as well as a binder full of the needed instructions. He noted that the individual events are run by their own chairperson and so main chair just needs to spearhead the meeting and coordinate efforts the day of. Kevin then presented Jess Tharp, the Chairperson for the last two years, with a plaque thanking her for her service and a job well done. She is unable to continue due to a new baby in her life. She did state that she will be happy to do the advertising again. Individual event volunteers that came forward were: Horse Races - Dave Greer, even though the weather is a concern, we will go ahead with the same dates this year and maybe next year look into moving it; Lois Shirran has donated processing and storage space for the meat; Washakie Research has already donated half a beef that she is storing now; Casey Greer will cook; Hamilton's and Negus' committed to donating lamb meat; Cis Sylvester offered to coordinate the rest of the food; Kris will do the Pie Contest; Jill and Guy and Chauncey will run the Sheep Dog Trials; Rene will run the Horseshoe Contest. There is an issue with the grassy area where the Horseshoe Contest is held is now covered with gravel from the waterline contractors. The Board had originally told them that they could stack pipe there and no approval was made for the gravel or living quarters. The grass will probably need to be replaced. The issue will be taken up with the Water Board. Philip will ask American National Bank if they will help with the gate and entertainment fee again, Linda will ask Bob if he would Chair the Auction again since this is the most important fund-raising segment of the whole day. Peg Johnson will do Bingo again. Ken

Derringer offered to hold a book sale if enough could be collected. June will hold a plant sale. Linda and Marylou will hold the Quilt Show, but were advised that they might either need to use the lunchroom or generators in the gym since no concrete plan of work or date of completion for the electrical and lights is in place at this time. Tom Zierolf volunteered to hold a Chicken Bingo.

Kevin then called the Board Meeting to order.

Linda reported that the website has been switched over to Wyoming Channel.tv's service, but there are still some problems with loading the Cowboy Carnival pages and the Calender pages. She is currently in the process of making the site more user friendly as well and so it may look different in the coming weeks, but all the same links will be on the home page that are currently there. Volunteer hours are still be tabulated (and will be until 2012) so you can still use that link on the page to submit your hours.

Philip reported several bills that needed to be paid: Garbage: \$10.24, Electric \$179.00, Cross Electric \$150.00 for service call to the bus barn. Jenny moved all bills be paid, Dave seconded, motion passed. He presented an end-of-year income statement for 2008. It showed a net loss, but that is due to the switching of HCC's funds into a separate Construction account for grant matching purposes. Philip noted that if the current level of fund raising could be sustained, the Community Center could take in around \$16,000 a year for improvements after around \$5,000 is spent in operating costs. We now have around \$20,000 available for matching funds, leaving \$6,000 left for the current year expenses. Philip had the signature cards for the new bank account signed. As a side note, he said that Terry Jeffers is interested in hosting a free work out room in an empty room behind his business. He was wondering if any of the Community Center's equipment could be borrowed for this since they are sitting idle currently. Philip was told to advise him that the equipment all belonged to somebody and to check with them first.

Tom Zierolf resigned his position on the Board due to a potential conflict of interest.

Kris gave a grant report. An extension was applied for making the completion date to March 1, 2010. The committee also got word from Moses in January that he had completed the plans for the pitched roof and she presented those plans to the Board. She had a meeting on January 12th with the contractors that were interested in the project after calling all those that were interested before and subsequently received 5 contractors have received bid packages. A pre-bid conference is scheduled for January 21st, and the bids are due by February 3rd by 2:00 p.m. Kris noted that the committee has also asked the County Commissioners to be the applicant for a new grant from the CDBG funding to complete all the needed ADA compliance issues without taking money from the other code issues and the roof. They agreed and a public hearing is set for January 28th at 11:00 a.m. at the Courthouse regarding the matter. Kris told the Commissioners that in order to save tax payer money, they could use our grant writer instead of theirs, and Philip agreed to make the draw downs. Kris is to report to the Commissioners on a monthly basis to take care of county requirements. Tom commented that the roof should only take a month's worth of labor depending on how busy the contractor that won the bid was. Kris noted that Moses will have a timeline of all construction items hopefully by the January 21st meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.