

MINUTES WPHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 2013

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Tetlow at 7:15 p.m.

A quorum was established by those in attendance, Bill Tetlow, Scott Ledin, Lynette Teichman, Charles Bouchard and Judy Bertolli.

The Agenda was approved.

The minutes of previous meeting, 7/10/13 were approved as submitted; motion by Lynette Teichman and second by Scott Ledin.

Treasurer's Report was given by Lynette Teichman, Treasurer. Association has approximately \$32,000 in cash. There is another approximately \$6,000 being held by the Grand Foundation representing donations to the Tank Fund.

The Association will receive \$45,000 in a grant for the Tank. WPHA is obligated to contribute 10% or \$4500 towards the tank and has that much in donations. However, cost of the Tank has now been approximated at \$70,000; which means the Association may have to contribute an additional \$20,000 if more donations are not received. WPHA has already spent roughly \$7,000 on site development, surveys, legal, etc.

Further discussion followed regarding fire mitigation, grants currently in the works and the Associations role in fire mitigation. Scott Ledin made motion, seconded by Charlie Bouchard, to complete the tank project and have the Association contribute any necessary funds not covered by donations. Passed.

Discussion continued about the continued effort of the Association to get vacant lot owners to remove their trees. We currently have eight owners committed to the matching grant for tree removal on vacant land, but need more participation to even exhaust the grant. Mountain Parks has received a grant to remove any trees, without owner permission, that may fall on power lines. It is hopeful that there may be some momentum by the Colorado state legislature to mandate owners to take responsibility for their dead trees that pose a real fire danger to their property as well as adjacent properties.

WPHA has committed an additional \$10,000 to tree removal on two green belt areas.

The Association has the funds at this time to honor their commitments, but needs to continue to raise more money to build the second tank and remove more trees on greenbelt areas.

Treasurer's report was approved.

Information Items:

1. Kathy Lower again helped us with the website update. Carolyn Bouchard has graciously offered to be in charge of the website in the future.

Board discussed removing the password section for members only. Will discuss further when more Board members present.

Discussed adding a list of all the current owners in WPH and highlighting those that are members.

Discussed setting up PayPal so members can pay dues or make donations. Need to know more about cost.

2. Member count now 175/signs installed 206. Discussed how to get more members; maybe house to house campaign or telephone solicitation.

3 & 6. Trash problem at Elk Park, need to put up a sign no dumping allowed. Also discussed new sign for Pond saying no swimming, etc. Should this area be limited to WPHA members only?

4. & 5 Talked about various Grants.

7. Mike Braddy is working on a digitized map of the Highlands for website and next annual meeting.

Old Business:

1. Tank was pretty much covered under Treasurer's report. Judy Bertolli suggested that once it is completed we should do a big publicity push and have the fire department do a dry run to make sure everything works correctly and have it featured in the paper.

2. Egress Issues, Peter is working toward solution with Randall. Suggested we write Al Green to put up a sign no parking anytime rather than just during snow removal. Baer's have offered a parking area to be used on their property. Should it only be for WPHA members? Could be another way to encourage owners to join the Association.

3. Jeffery was not present to give Capital Fundraising report. However, he is working on another sign. Also mentioned that we need to put more in the website about the tank fund. Charlie will tell Carolyn to put instructions on the website about making the donation checks payable to the Grand Foundation and not WPHA.

4. Tabled second tank discussion, need to complete first one.

5. Talk more about members only section on website with more Board members.

6. Should the Board be involved in going to Grand County Road and Bridge about paving more of the Highlands? Judy Bertolli will research more about obligation to pave one mile off 40 and also Board needs to start developing a strategy as to why the paving should be completed.

New Business

1&2 already covered in previous discussions.

Adjournment – moved by Scott Ledin, Seconded by Lynette Teichman, adjourned at 9:30