Rio Blanco County Historical Society Board Meeting Minutes November 24, 2020 5:30pm

In attendance:

Niki Turner: President

Terry Reed: Executive Director

Kay Bivens, Board Chance Walker, Board Nancy Richardson, Board Joann Gardner, Board Deirdre Macnab, Secretary

Kevyn Mack, Staff

Bob Amick, public Janet Clark, public

Not Present: Luke Trout Jay Sullivan Margaret Granzella

- 1. Called to order at 5:45 pm by President Turner. A quorum was present.
- 2. President called for agenda additions. There was one regarding Suzan Pelloni's building, the Hugus Building, which has received some letters.
- 3. Public Participation: None
- 4. Minutes approved, motion by Kay Bivens/Nancy R. All approved.
- Museum Report by Exec Director:

See attached, which include financials

- Grant opportunities: Terry thinks options are coming up specific to museums. One arrived today from the Meeker Chamber, including one for energy efficiency from Mainstreet Meeker.
- Soft Close of Museum: Approved for next two weeks. County moving to RED ZONE for Covid.
- Coroner moving into building.
- Garrison moves will improve the display of the soldiers uniforms and a large new collection is coming of arrowheads from a collector. Kevyn Mack is working on this and wants to improve Nathan Meeker and Ute story.

 Schools: Coal Creek School: Almost finished. Anyone with info on Yellow Creek should connect with Terry.

5. Committee Reports:

- a. GeoCaching: still in progress
- b. Bank Robbery: Signage coming along. Will be placed on Route 8.
- c. Complaints about property Suzan Pelloni bought. The old signs were removed and preserved for future display. She is working very hard to restore the building so it can survive. The RBHS supports her efforts.
- **d.** Meeker Arts and Cultural Council: Nancy reported they are working on clearing out areas.

6. Liaison Reports

- Meeker Mustang Makeover: Event was a success. Number of horse now 15, all sold for double the amount last year. Date set for August 28th. Contribution to Rio Blanco Historical Society approved for \$1,000. Deirdre reporting.
- White River Alliance: December meeting. Continuing work on riparian restoration.
- Meeker Moving Forward: Terry is attending when she can.
- Main Street Meeker: Niki reported meeting last week. Looking for mural space. Deirdre suggested Susan C. Wright, "mother of Meeker" as a subject for a possible mural. Group discussed different locations for additional murals. There is funding available. No locations have been firmed up, the Elk Mountain Inn is one possibility.
- 7. **New Business: Elections in January. Motion to adjourn**: made Motion to adjourn.

Minutes by Deirdre Macnab, Board Secretary