



**Sheridan Historical Society
Trustee Meeting
Tuesday at 6:00 PM
November 28, 2017**

The meeting was called to order by Cliff Muller in the Studio Conference Room in the Sheridan Public Library at 3425 W. Oxford Avenue at 6:01 pm.

Board members present: Don Ezell, Dallas Hall, Cliff Mueller, and Roger Rowland. Cliff reported that Chuck West was now in a nursing home in the area and that his house had been sold.

There were no guests at the meeting.

A motion was made by Don, seconded by Dallas to approve the September 27, 2017 minutes. The motion was approved.

A Treasurer's report was provided by Roger. The total current balance in the accounts was \$8,078.36. Dues were paid by James Taylor at the Sheridan Celebrates event. A motion was made by don, seconded by Dallas to accept the report.

There was no correspondence for the board.

Report from Schools Committee

With the assistance of Les Gomez from the high school, reservations were completed for the shelter and adjacent field for 2018 picnic. The fees from South Suburban were \$212.00. This was the same amount as the last reservation this past August. Roger will ask for reimbursement in January.

Roger completed the research on high school student enrollment from 1960 through 1970. He provided a handout. See exhibit A. The two significant impacts during this time frame were the 1962 annexation of College View by Denver and the split sessions which started in the fall of 1967. Both resulted in a drop of students enrolled. The loss in the fall of 1962 after the Denver annexation was 209 students or 31% of the student body. The drop in 1968 with the loss of the freshman class was 134. The annexation resulted in the dissolution of the "union school district" and the formation of the new Sheridan School District #2.

Colorado Heights – Update

A developer has been selected by Teikyo Loretto Heights. Roger passed out three articles about the selection of the developer. See exhibits **B, C, & D**. Part of the selection includes a promise to maintain the historical facades of the Administration Building and the chapel. Teikyo Loretto Heights will deed over the portion of the property which includes the cemetery to the Sisters of Loretto. The board will continue to monitor the process.

“The History of Sheridan Colorado” by Ed Goff – Jim Svigel

Roger was loaned the booklet of the history by Jim Svigel. Roger has made a copy which the society can use for the republishing of the booklet. Roger also made digital copies of the cover and pictures in the booklet. Roger also discussed the society completing a biographical article on Svigel family history in Sheridan. Jim is interested in assisting with the history.

Historical Marker – Fort Logan Northgate Railroad Platform

It was suggested the Friends of Historic Fort Logan be contacted about the project. There was a discussion about what information should be included on the marker. The following were listed. Information about the railroad spur, the fort, “Logantown”, the farm where Mullen is now located.

Parks Signs Wording – Status Update

It was suggested that an appointment be made with the new Director for South Suburban to update him on the project. There the new Director is Rob Hanna. Dallas provided Mr. Hanna’s email address and office phone number.

New Board Members

There was discussion about new board members. It is apparent that Mr. West will not be able to continue as a board member. Roger had spoken with Ron Trujillo about the board. It was suggested we talk with Leon Hartness and also follow up with Steve Fast.

Colorado History Society Consortium

A suggested starting point for a new consortium was to contact the following organizations: Aurora Historical Society, Englewood Historical Preservation Society, Friends of Historic Fort Logan, and the Littleton Museum. This would help us to gauge an interest level and promote contacts within Arapahoe County.

New Business.

There was a discussion about what is happening with the Sheridan swimming pool. The pool has not been used since 2009. An evaluation process has been underway about repurposing the pool. There is no interest from the school district or the recreation district to reopen the facility as a pool because of the high costs to refurbish and maintain the pool. There is a effort underway to survey the community and other interested parties about how the pool could be repurposed.

The school district has a “facilities committee” which has been evaluating all of the facilities in the district. There has been a serious discussion within the committee about the building a new high school.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:57 pm.

Submitted by Roger Rowland
Secretary/Treasurer

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