MEETEETSE MUSEUM DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE BOARD
April 10, 2018

Vice President Mervin Larsen called the meeting of the Meeteetse Museum to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Meeteetse Museum.

Roll call: Mervin Larsen, Lynn Sessions, Dave Randol, Lili Turnell, and Mary Jane Luther. Director David Cunningham was present.

Consent Agenda: Lynn Sessions moved to approve the consent agenda. Dave Randol seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

Citizens Open Forum: Joe Thomas presented a proposition for the Museum to accept a grizzly bear recently killed at the Whit Ranch. The bear had been known to the Wyoming Game and Fish. It is the largest bear taken from the Yellowstone Ecosystem. The agency and Joe Thomas would like the bear to stay in Meeteetse. David Cunningham said there is enough data on this bear to make a good interpretive exhibit for the Museum. Joe Thomas will undertake fund raising to help cover the cost of mounting and display.

Additions to the Agenda:

New Business: Bear
   Wild sheep computer
   County Clerk
   Request from Hyattville

Ongoing Business: Buck and Rail Fence

Mervin Larsen moved to approve the additions to the agenda. Lili Turnell seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.

New Business:

CWAM: David and Alex Deselms will be attending the conference which is April 12-14, 2018. Sandy Luna will be keeping the Museum open.

Budget Session: A primary budget needs to be sent to the Park County Clerk by May 31, 2018. The budget planning session will be Thursday, April 26, 2018 at the Episcopal Church parish hall from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Lili Turnell moved to hold the budget session as stated. Lynn Sessions seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried. Lili Turnell will post the notice.

2018 General Election: Three seats are up for election during the general election cycle in November.

Bear: Taxidermy for the large grizzly bear will be $5390. The taxidermist will donate $1000 of the cost. The skull will be cleaned and included in the price. The donation will need to be reviewed and accepted by the Collections Committee. Dave Randol moved to accept the donation of the bear, contingent on acceptance by the Collections Committee. Mary Jane Luther seconded the motion. All voted aye, motion carried.
Wildlife computer: Computer is not working and a repair or replacement is very expensive. A 32-inch TV with a DVD player would be a less expensive alternative. David will move forward with the replacement.

County Clerk: Colleen Renner asked for wage information for museum staff. David will send her the information and a website to find state and national information for museum wages.

Hyattville Request: There will be a quilt show on Memorial Day. They will be showcasing small Wyoming Museums. Meeteetse Museum will donate a basket for the silent auction as advertising.

**Ongoing Business:**

Board Training: Mary Jane Luther talked with Park County Clerk Colleen Renner about Board Training for Special District Boards. She provided a University of Wyoming course which may meet the requirement for board training. Mary Jane Luther took the training and reported it covers many of the requirements for open meetings. At the end of the course it is possible to print a certificate of completion. The board members will take the course and certificates of completion will be filed in the Meeteetse Museum.

Buck and pole fence: The fence is completed. One concerned citizen contacted David about the fence. David received permission from the town before the fence was constructed.

**Committee Reports:**

Collections committee: The committee met on March 23, 2018. A list of items reviewed will be filed with the minutes.

**For the Good of the Board:** Lili Turnell reported a donation had been made in memory of Elizabeth Gould.

**Adjournment:** 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Jane Luther, Secretary
Board of Directors
Meeteetse Museum District