

Rio Blanco Historical Society Minutes
August 28, 2019
Old West Heritage Culture Center

5:45 p.m. meeting called to order by TR

In attendance: TR, NT, JS, KB, LM, BA, JC, PA, DM

Moved to approve agenda NT, KB

No public participation

Minutes of last meeting: Moved to accept JS, KB

Committee Reports:

Museum: LM (see report)

August visitors: 368 adults, 67 kids through Aug. 26
\$297 in sales - need to transfer \$62 from operations
to gift shop from CC sales

Milk Creek - received \$450 Colorado Preservation
Grant from the Ghost Town
Club (not solicited funds)

County cleared 1940 Buick to be kept in the museum;
preparing a place

Mugs are on order
Working on a Milk Creek T-shirt
JS moved to allow RBCHS logo to be used on T-shirts
Verify website address and email address on

everything that is published:
rbchistory@gmail.com, rbchistory.org

Accessions: None

Bank Robbers Trail: KB

Coordinating sign design with rec district, cemetery
district, rural schools, etc.

Cemetery has earmarked \$5,000; \$500 from rec center

Landmarking: BA

Working on it with Carl McWilliams - two different
types of signage for residential and commercial as
well as brass plaque

Have received three donations of \$175, one for one
for \$100, plus commitments

NW Colorado Heritage Culture program from Steamboat
about including same

logo for consistency
Hoping to make Oct. 1 deadline

HCC: TR

Projector, light switches, etc. installed; speakers
backordered; two more
switches coming

Carpet squares have been installed
Office has been relocated to genealogy room
Would be nice to make this space available to our
members

Milk Creek Battlesite: JS

Joy and Jonas Grant were here last Tuesday
Ute Indian Tribe called and asked who is in charge of
Milk Creek

Brochures and invitations are printed
Sept. 28 potluck - Utes have said they will bring
buffalo

Call for speakers as well as the invitation
Will spread Joe Sullivan's remaining ashes; Utes are
in charge of that part of the
service

TR - Delicious Disaster is going to be helping
BA - Included to share this with Colorado Tourism and
HIstory Colorado?

JS - Yes. Bob Silbernagel volunteered to make contact
with NPR and is writing a column for the
Sentinel. KDNK- NT

JS - it is our intention to have a joint meeting with
pageant committee and Ute
guests on Sept. 27

BA - contact PBS to see if they'll cover this?
TR - will help with the menu

Coal Creek School - JC

- roof has been sealed, someone lined up to do
necessary painting and grading

- sheepdog trials: 45 kids coming from Craig Sept. 6,
may have an art show in November,

send a list to the sheepdog people so that any volunteers
selling root beer floats are on the list

- TR - sharing our booth with ELC creations
- gathering volunteers for sheepdogs

Meeker Mustang Makeover - DM

- about \$6,000 collected, a little left over for next
year

- \$1000 from lodging board to advertise
- trying to find out about a gather next year so
local horses can be used again

WEbsite/Tech

- working on updates with Kasey

OLD BUSINESS

Budget – TR
Colorado Gives – Our organization was never
properly set up with the Colorado
Sec of State
Benevity is up and running, and we're wroing
on AmazonSmiles
990 is almost done
Funding for next year for museum staff is in
Need to discuss cleaning and maintenance of this
building; need to find out
about ADA bathrooms
Teddy Roosevelt (Oct. 20 quarterly meeting)
– school said it would not be a general
assembly
– talk to individual teachers

NEW BUSINESS

Realigning committees? Please review and make
suggestions.
Bank robbery rewrite for 2020: move to discuss ways
to improve by KB, PA
Move to Adjourn at 7 p.m. – KB, NT