

March 2025 Riverton Mineral and Gem Society Minutes

Logistics:

- 38 attendees (2 new members)
- Treasurer's report given by Molly
 - \$2,328.45 in checking
 - \$6,337.89 in savings
 - \$50 cash on hand
 - \$8,716.34 total
 - \$1,023 was made from the silent auction last month

Business:

- Riverton Downtowners made a flyer for their rock show
 - RMGS was put on the flyer as a sponsor
 - Officers suggest club members volunteer to help advertise and help at the event where needed instead of the club giving any money
 - Could ask the Downtowners if the club could set up a table there to promote RMGS
 - Bob motions for the club to do something (other than giving money) for the club to remain a sponsor on the poster
 - Seconded and agreed by vote
 - Kimberly (president) will talk to Tina with the Downtowners about options and Tina will come to the next meeting
- 3rd annual jade festival in Jeffery City has offered for RMGS to have a booth there
- No further news on makerspace if they are moving buildings or not, can still use the lapidary setup there for now, they are open Tues-Sat now
- Field trip schedule is made, paper copies are available
- Every 3-5 years the club usually makes a 200-300 dollar donation to Greg Gardener for giving us access to the lysite agate site for field trips
 - It has been about 4 years since the club did so
 - Motion was made to give him a \$300 gift certificate to Rocky Mountain this year
 - It was seconded and agreed by vote
- Rockhoulder of the year forms due by July 15
 - There are two forms, one for the club and one to submit to the state
 - State needs a form with narrative explanation about why the person is being nominated for rockhoulder of the year
 - Judges are independent of any club
 - Stan nominates Steve for Rockhoulder of the Year from RMGS (he will do the writeup for the state)
 - Because of work for getting makerspace setup put together and running, he stepped up to help with the 2022 state show, put together a good display case for the fair last year, has been field trip coordinator for many years, shares lots of knowledge with club members
- April program will be done by Richard H. about setting up displays
- May program will be done by officers about field trip procedures
- Officers are looking at options for club advertising

- Would like to have flyers, business cards, and shirts
- Requesting \$100 for the year as a budget for flyers and business cards
 - Motions to approve \$100 was made
 - It was seconded and agreed by vote
- Maggie has been looking into T-shirt options
 - In 2022 shirts were made for the state show
 - The design idea for new club shirts is an image of Fremont County with pick and shovel symbols in the rough areas the club goes to hunt rocks
 - It was suggested to not label the areas with names, only have the symbols
 - It costs \$30 for a one color screen
 - Looking at getting uv protective material long sleeve shirts so they could be worn on field trips, could get them with a hood
 - Likely \$15-20 per shirt
 - Looking at getting a fluorescent yellow color so people are visible from a distance on field trips
 - 10 shirt minimum order
 - Could also get hoodies
 - Suggested to include the club patch on the shirt, can include as a line drawing so it is a single color
 - Would need \$60-80 for screens for shirts with the addition of the club patch to the design
 - It was motioned to approve \$100 of club money for shirts
 - Seconded and agreed by vote
 - Members will pay for shirts, club will pay setup fee (screen and design fee if needed)
- Stan made crosswords and word searches, members can take as many as they would like
- Corkill will be having an auction of his rock collection on May 31

Program: Linda discussing recent estate sale finds