

## 2023 TIN CUP CIVIC ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Members were notified of the original meeting date through the Spring Newsletter, received either by email or postal mail. The Meeting poster was displayed on the Town Hall beginning July 11, 2023 and an email reminder was sent out July 18, 2023.

The Meeting was called to order on July 29th, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. by President Tom Carroll. There were 32 people present with 49 paid member dues, thus the quorum was met. The By-Laws define our quorum as 20% of paid members present.

The meeting started with Donna reading the 2022 Annual Membership Meeting minutes. She reminded everyone that the minutes are also posted on the website. Cindy Olive began with the approval of the minutes as other members voted to second the approval.

### **President's Report by Tom Carroll:**

#### **Presidents Report**

As I sat down to write this, the idea of appreciation kept coming up. When I looked back at last year's report, I saw I expressed appreciation a lot. The big one is how much I appreciate being able to be part of this special community. However any of us found Tin Cup we all are grateful for that. Today I appreciate how each of you took a couple hours out of your Saturday in Tin Cup to attend this meeting. It means you care and we need your input and participation to continue to do what is best for the community.

Later in the meeting we will be talking about the state of the Town Hall, the state of the Cemetery, and what would you like to see as far as community events. All of this needs your help and we also need your ideas on how we can get more people involved in these activities.

It has been a beautiful summer and it is a beautiful day today. We will try and not keep you too long but there are some important items to discuss. The deck is almost finished and we hope you are enjoying this great addition to the Town Hall and we continue to thank all the volunteers who gave a great amount of time and effort to this project. This is the first step in making sure we can enjoy the Town Hall for many years to come.

I am going to keep this short and let us get on to the business of the day. Again, thanks for coming and participating.

### **Treasurer Report by Joe Grenawalt:**

The Deck expense was reviewed stating the project started with an approved \$20,000 budget from the members. The project total was about \$28,000 without labor; the only expense of labor costs was for the cement. There was around \$9,900 in donations for the deck which helped keep the cost under budget. The deck is almost complete and couldn't have been accomplished without all the help and effort from volunteers. The last steps for completion are to get certification from the Gunnison County Building Inspector.

The Fiscal Year 2023 ended June 30, 2023, with a checking account balance of \$2,610.18. A large amount of money was spent for the deck this past year but we have received quite a bit of substantial income at the beginning of Fiscal Year 2024 bringing our balance close to \$7,000. The current CD balance is \$68,260.00 with it coming to term August 8. The Board is considering not rolling it over into a new CD but putting some funds into the checking account depending on the priority of projects/repairs needed to maintain the Town Hall, Cemetery, and Water Rights. The Board will determine how much funding will be needed.

### **Dance Committee Report by Jim Schammerhorn:**

A big Thank You to Shawn & Sarah McCormick, and Bill & Shelly Womble for organizing and conducting the Friday night dances. The dances are scheduled the whole summer through the end of August. The dances have had good crowds with no issues. The donations brought in have been \$193 so far this summer.

### **Chapel Service Report by Jim Schammerhorn:**

The Pastors were scheduled during the winter with one new Pastor this summer. There are usually 14 Sundays with the Chapel service starting the first Sunday in June and will continue until the first Sunday in September. There have been larger crowds this year than the last 3 years with the last 4 Sundays in a row being well over 100 attendees. The Chapel service pays a stipend to the Pastors for coming which is one of the main expenses along with rent and Insurance. At the end of each summer the Chapel puts their money into a savings account which helps save enough so we are able to pay the summer rental fee in June for the fiscal year.

## **Cemetery Report**

Tom Carroll acknowledged Terri Harris retiring as the Cemetery Chair and Sally Kuisle has agreed to take that position. There has been \$181 from the donation box.

Sally spoke of the many issues within the Cemetery with the fence as a priority since the cows will be in the area next year. She would like to get a list of fence materials needed and use the money in the Treasury to fund it.

Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, from 9 to noon has been designated for Cemetery clean up day. She will have specifics on what is planned for the day and get that to members through email. The ongoing slash problem needs to be dealt with and she has asked for help in how to deal with it. Sally wants to look into the possibility of Grant funding and asked if anyone who has expertise in that area could help.

### **Election of Directors:**

Ken Alexander has agreed to continue on the Board after resigning earlier in the summer. Tom Carroll announced that two Board members have terms expiring this year: Paul Bell and Kurt Von Fay. Both agreed to serve again and were approved with a voice vote.

### **Old Business:**

Joe thanked everyone that helped make the Deck project a success, especially Paul Bell, Roger Sauerhagen, Steve Riffel, Kurt Von Fay, Bob Mills and his skid-steer, and Don & Cindy Olive.

Jim Schammerhorn found and restored the "Welcome to TinCup" sign and with the help of the Olives, Joe and a few others, the sign is now back up on the North side of Frenchy's; opposite of where it was originally.

New signs have been added in the Cemetery giving notice of the destruction due to the wind storm. These signs will help visitors understand why the Cemetery is in the condition that it is.

## **New Business:**

The future of the Town Hall depends on the required maintenance and repairs. A sub committee consisting of Paul Bell, Joe Grenawalt, and Kurt Von Fay will see to inspections of the Town Hall and put the items needing repair in a prioritized list. It is important to keep the Town Hall repaired so that it will still be available for future generations. A roof contractor has already come to look at the roof and it seems it will need to be replaced in the near future. The estimated cost for replacement was around \$50,000 which is all inclusive of the entire roof (Steeple, Archive Bldg. and Outhouse) The estimate seems to be reasonable considering the deck was around \$30,000 with no labor costs and most cabin roof replacements have a price range between \$20,000-40,000. The Board is anticipating larger expenses in the near future and this is what the CD is for – to help fund needed Town Hall repairs.

There have already been some inspections of the Town Hall with Dave Haas, Gene Dodd, and Kurt Von Fay as they have experience in construction. They have all come to the determination the roof is first priority. The foundation has a few cracks that seem to be superficial as well as the blocks holding up the building underneath, which are minor issues. The major repairs need to be done by someone other than volunteers who can give some guarantees.

Cindy Olive wanted to verify that the roof eventually needed repair but it was not in desperate need to be completed immediately. James Wright brought up the idea last year of a “Go Fund Me” page that could help bring in money for specific projects like the roof. It was also mentioned there are State and Federal funds available for this kind of project which would require an inspection by a professional Engineer. This would bring up concerns that the State would then have a control on what can or cannot be done in the building and risk the TCCA ownership and control of the assets. Gene Dodd brought up the issue with the Quit Claim Deed that Gunnison County still has hold of the building with certain regulations stated if the building is not used to their approval.

Wendy Trentaz asked if the Town Hall floor was on the repair list and it was confirmed it is but not prioritized. She also stated that large project expenses needed to be approved by the members at the meeting and then proceed the next year with the work. Joe mentioned the Board already discussed how to possibly gain approval from the membership if a vote needed to be done before the Annual meeting. The urgency would only be because of availability of labor. Knowing the Board has to have approval for any spending above \$5,000, it was discussed that if an approval needed to be made by

the members without a formal meeting, that possibly emails and proxies could be done within a certain time frame. Wendy wanted to clarify the process for approval and how would a discussion take place through emails. The Board emphasized this was just an idea/thought in case the scenario ever came up.

Sally Kuisle asked if the dance "Amos Moses" is still allowed since it involved stomping on the floor. The response was that the dancers are asked not to stomp too hard.

The Sound system for the Friday night dances was approved last year but Jimmy is having a hard time finding the right player that will work with the electrical system in the Town Hall. Jeff Haynes volunteered to look into the sound system and use some of his equipment. Gene Dodd suggested downloading CD's that could then play by Bluetooth through the system. He also volunteered to help.

Stan Dromey asked about the leak above the Foyer. He was informed that Gene Dodd and Jeff Mitchell have worked on the leak, and Gene is in charge of that project. Gene discussed the materials needed for the repair and informed the members there was still about 2 more days left of work before the work will be completed.

The idea of a Donation Button was brought up last year and is now available on the TCCA website. The hope is this will help get public exposure and donations for projects as well as eventually paying dues. Sally asked if the Donation Button was set up to take automatic monthly donations, which currently it does not. Tom said he will look into the possibility of adding it. Tom did mention there is a note/comment field to designate where the money is to go toward such as the Cemetery, dues, etc.

The Annual Meeting date was discussed as to moving it to an earlier date, possibly before the fiscal year end, hoping to get more member attendance. Billy McAuliffe made the comment that the current date was close to the end of summer when kids have to go back to school. He suggested at least a couple of weeks earlier. Joe suggested Memorial weekend that if the meeting was held at the beginning of the summer then small scale projects could be approved and there would be time to complete them without having to wait until the next summer. Jeanne Haynes suggested before the fiscal year end, June 30th, so the financials and budget are still within the operating year and could be approved. A date change would require changing the By-laws. It was suggested doing a special meeting the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday in June (June 22<sup>nd</sup>) to see what kind of attendance there would be by members. This was voted on and approved. The regular scheduled meeting will be discussed at that time to see if the members want to permanently change the date. If so, notices will be sent out.

Sally Kuisle suggested verifying the By-laws to see what the rules and approval process are for changing the date.

The Pot Luck was brought up again with the suggestion of moving the date to another time that was not associated with the meeting but have it as a community event. An option would be to have it the afternoon on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July since the Parade has been successful within the community. Everyone was in agreement to continue the Pot Luck. The TCCA would donate the main meat dish while others would provide side dishes.

Wendy asked if it was too late this year to have a Deck Pot Luck once the final approval of the deck was given. Currently the main stairwell is the only part approved but should have full approval next week. A suggestion of combining a Cemetery and Deck Pot Luck be held on August 14<sup>th</sup>. Everyone agreed.

Dr. Vandebusch wants to come back to TinCup in mid-August to present a slide show. It was suggested to have it on Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> to coordinate with the Cemetery clean up date. Jimmy will check on the date and give confirmation.

Stan Dromey asked if there was an aerial photo of the Platt of the Cemetery to help aide Sally with inspecting the fence for repair. Cindy Olive offered a drone to help see the fence line.

Cindy Olive had a "Thank You" to the Town Hall for the permission of using the building for the Art Show from one of the participants. They have had their 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Art Show this year.

Billy McAuliffe stated his concern of the bathroom doorway not being able to accommodate a wheelchair. This will be put on the list for Town Hall repairs.

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No other business was raised and the meeting was adjourned at 1:02 pm