



# Tin Cup Civic Association **Spring 2023 Newsletter**

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## President's Message

### Snow and more Snow

That seems to be the theme for this past winter. See the article on the right for more detail and check out page 3 for some winter pictures thanks to Wendy Trentaz. Spring should be beautiful, and the reservoir should be in good shape.

A great group of volunteers built the deck on the front of the Town Hall last summer and hope to complete it this year. See page 4 for information on that and some pictures. It is looking great and is a wonderful addition to our Town Hall. Much thanks to all who worked on the project. It was a tireless effort with great results.

I have included this paragraph before, but it bears repeating. Volunteers are at the heart of everything that gets done to improve the community of Tin Cup. The Board is all volunteers, including the Cemetery Committee, the Ditch Committee, Chapel services, and many ad hoc projects that come up. My personal thanks go out to everyone that has given their time and efforts to our community. When you see any of these people, please give them your thanks.

As usual, we want feedback. Please let us know what you would like to see in the newsletter and if there is anything you would like to contribute please email to one of the Board members. Anything you think the Board should be doing we want to hear that too. We can't do anything if we don't know about it. We want to do what we can to help the community of Tin Cup but also would like all of you to participate.

The deck project is a big investment for the TCCA. If you would like to contribute financially to the effort, please feel free to send additional contributions along with your dues or use the donation button on the website. Any amount is appreciated!

Hope to see everyone this summer in Tin Cup!  
**Tom Carroll, President**

## Local Updates

According to SNOTEL DATA for March 12, 2023, the snow-water equivalent — the amount of liquid water in snow — was at 147% of the historical average in the Gunnison Basin. Reports from Tin Cup residents during the winter agree with that statistic — we had a lot of snow, especially late in the season.

Snow depth around town varied from 3-4 feet, sometimes more on the north side of buildings or where it was drifted. Many fences were covered — or nearly so — by the snow. As always, the temperatures in April and May will determine how fast trails and roads begin to open up.

## Annual Tin Cup Art Fair

The Annual Tin Cup Art Fair is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday, July 3, 2023. Additional information and updates can be obtained from Janet Grenawalt, at 970 641-4082 or 505 320-6598, or [thisfromthatmosaics@q.com](mailto:thisfromthatmosaics@q.com).

## Closings & Openings for the Summer

As of this writing, Frenchy's Restaurant and the Tin Cup Store plan to be open this summer, with exact dates to be determined - most likely, Memorial Day to Labor Day.

The Nugget Restaurant will open the Thursday before Memorial Day. Hours should be 8-8. The Trading Post and Gift Shop hours should be the same, starting May 13th.

Last summer was the last for the KaiCyns BBQ. This summer, the owners will begin the retirement life in Tin Cup.

## **Donation Button on the TCCA Website**

This year a donation button has been added to the TCCA website. [www.tincupcivicassociation.org](http://www.tincupcivicassociation.org). The button should be live by the end of May. The hope is that people who come through Tin Cup and appreciate the Town Hall and the Cemetery may want to contribute to the upkeep of those. This will allow them an easy way to do that.

To make this successful we need to get the word out that it is there. We hope to post signs at Town Hall and also the Cemetery to inform visitors. We could look to post a sign on the information kiosk and also at Frenchys and the Tin Cup Store.

Please note that the TCCA is not a 501-3c corporation, and the donations are not tax deductible. Please don't promote it as such.

## **Did You Know?**

The Tin Cup Civic Association was incorporated in 1950 by the original Board members: R. M. Barron, J. H. Osborne, Rebecca B. Williamson, Vivian Osborne, Cora Nissen, Bettie Seeton and Mabel Glass.

Established as a non-profit corporation on August 19, 1950.

## **Volunteers Needed**

Anyone interested in maintaining the flower boxes - one at the Town Hall and two at Frenchy's pond - through the summer, please contact a Board member. Reimbursement for the cost of flowers can be arranged through Joe Grenawalt, Treasurer.

## **Tin Cup Community Chapel Outlook for 2023**

The Tin Cup Community Chapel Board has decided they will begin Sunday worship services on June 4th. The last scheduled service is September 3rd. Services start at 10:30 a.m. The services are nondenominational, and everyone is welcome to come in casual dress or fishing wardrobe. Communion is offered the second Sunday of each month right after the worship portion ends. Many Sundays we have someone or group that brings special music that is always great. If you wish to receive a list of the pastors scheduled, you can email Jimmy Schammerhorn at [schammerhorn@sbcglobal.net](mailto:schammerhorn@sbcglobal.net). Please check the Chapel Facebook page for current information and updates. <https://www.facebook.com/Tin-Cup-Community-Chapel-314924879341/>

## **Cemetery Guidelines – Reminder**

In order for anyone to place the cremated remains and/or memorial stone in the Tin Cup Cemetery, the Tin Cup Cemetery Committee must approve your request. Only locations approved and marked will be honored. The deceased or immediate family needs to own property in Tin Cup or Taylor Park. The Guidelines and the Burial Request Form are located under the Document Section of the Tin Cup Civic Association website, or an application can be requested from Terri Harris, the Chairperson of the Cemetery Committee, [trrharris@live.com](mailto:trrharris@live.com). Please note that the \$300.00 fee to the TCCA will be used for cemetery maintenance and improvements. Full body burial is not permitted. All Taylor Park residents that have secured a spot in the Tin Cup Cemetery need to maintain their individual area. Any glass or plastic, other than flower vases, will be disposed of at the end of the season.

## **Cemetery Update and Work Plans**

Thanks to all the volunteers who participated in the late in the season clean up at the Cemetery! Great progress was had in getting it back to the shape it was before the windstorms. Terri is planning on having fence mending and cleaning sessions this summer, but no firm dates have been established. We will be assessing the slash situation this spring and determine any plans to specifically address that.

## Friday Family Night/Dances @ the Town Hall

Friday night dances will be returning in full force this summer! Thanks to several volunteers stepping forward there should be a full slate of dances starting in mid-June going through late August. We want to thank everyone who is willing to lead the dances and continue the long history of this Tin Cup activity.

Keep an eye on the Town Hall sign board for information and when the first dance will be held. In general, the dances start at 7:30pm and last until around 10:30pm. Again, watch the board for any changes to this. If you want more information, contact Jimmy Schammerhorn. His contact info is on the Contact page of this newsletter.

## Board Members Wanted

There are two Tin Cup Civic Association Board of Directors positions expiring currently held by Kurt Von Fay and Paul Bell. Also, Ken Alexander has decided to step down and there are 2 years remaining on his term and will need to be filled.

Come to this year's Annual Meeting to find out all the latest!

Please consider serving on the Board. The success of the TCCA over the years has been due to the dedication of numerous members who have stepped up and been willing to serve. If you have any questions about being on the Board, please contact any Board member.



Photos courtesy of Wendy Trentaz



## Update on Tin Cup Town Hall Deck Project

This summer we hope to complete the Town Hall Deck Project that we started last summer. As you may have noticed, the project is nearly complete. The remaining work to be done includes construction of the second stairway and installation of handrails and guardrails. The final step will be pouring concrete for a walkway and apron at the toe of the ramp – on the west side of the deck.

Paul Bell will again be managing this project, with assistance from volunteers. Scheduling of the work will be dependent on several factors, including how early in the season we can drive into Tin Cup. The construction work will be completed first, with the concrete work waiting until we have suitable weather. Scheduling information will be distributed to the TCCA Membership via email as soon as it is determined.

Please email Paul Bell or Joe Grenawalt if you are willing to assist in this project. Contact information for both Paul and Joe can be found on Page 5 of this Newsletter. Thanks in advance to any and all who can help out with the final stages of the new deck.



## Additional Town Hall News

Over the winter, the Board contacted several professional “inspectors” to bid on a condition report for the Town Hall building. The lowest bid came in over \$3,500 – and the Board did not award the project. The Board discussed alternatives, and we concluded that a great deal of knowledge and expertise exists in our membership. Of course, we are all involved with maintenance of our own properties – to one degree or another. However, within our small community we have individuals with significant experience in design, construction, remodeling, etc.

We hope to assemble a small group of Tin Cup residents to develop a Town Hall property inspection report and to some degree, action plans to address any issues. The goal is to identify projects, and then pass them along to the Board who will determine priorities, etc. The Board can then decide on how to proceed – either with volunteer work or with employment of a contractor.

If you are interested in contributing to this effort, please contact Joe Grenawalt – preferably by email or text (505 320-6599). Joe has already begun to contact individuals and based on early summer planned availability in Tin Cup, will try to schedule a meeting (or two) where the participants can inspect the Town Hall property, including all buildings and the grounds. Please note that we are only asking for the participants’ opinions – not for them to actually do the work! Joe and other Board members will assemble the input from the “experts”, and then provide a summary to the Board and the membership. The goal will be to have this report available at the next Annual Meeting – on July 29, 2023.

One project already identified is repair of the Town Hall roof – specifically around the steeple on the south side. Volunteers have already been identified for this project and will hopefully be able to complete the work sometime in June. If additional volunteers are needed, the Board will send out an email to the membership, as well as spread the word through local conversations.

## Water Ditch Committee

Jeff Haynes and Wendy Trentaz of the Water Ditch Committee will be in Tin Cup on May 27th, 2023, the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend, and plan to open the ditches at that time, weather permitting. Anyone in town on that date, please lend a hand. If any of the ditches run by your property and you have an opportunity before Memorial Day, please remove any obstructions and clear a path for water flow. If weather or other circumstances dictate a different date for opening the ditches, the Committee will provide an update through email and other channels.

# MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT!

Attention new, old, and prospective members of the Tin Cup Civic Association: the Annual General Meeting this year will be held at the Town Hall in Tin Cup on **July 29th, 2023, at 1 p.m.** If unable to attend, please send your proxy to the Secretary naming WHO will represent you, and your address in Tin Cup. You must be listed **ON THE DEED** to be a voting member and **MUST** pay the \$25/year dues of the Association before the Meeting comes to order.

## TCCA Dues and Proxies

The Board would like to request that everyone consider submitting dues this year. Our expenses will increase greatly with the addition of the front deck project. The rental of the Town Hall for Chapel Services is our biggest source of revenue. To ensure continued health of the TCCA, we ask you to consider paying dues even if you don't plan on voting at the Annual Meeting.

Payment of dues and voting proxies may be mailed any time up to 2 weeks BEFORE the Annual General Meeting (by July 15, 2023) to: TCCA, P.O. Box 501, Almont, CO 81210. After that, please bring dues and proxies to the meeting. Thanks in advance for your cooperation. (Proxy form is below.) **Joe Grenawalt, Treasurer**

## GENERAL PROXY

Be it known, that I, \_\_\_\_\_, the undersigned Member of the Tin Cup Civic Association, hereby constitute and appoint \_\_\_\_\_ as my true and lawful representative and agent for me and in my place and stead, to vote as my proxy at the Annual Meeting of the Tin Cup Civic Association, to be held on July 29, 2023 or any adjournment thereof. WITNESS my hand and seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Tin Cup Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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