

Mountain Plains Heritage Park Minutes      June 19, 2023

The Mountain Plains Heritage Park board met on June 19, 2023, at the Johnson County Library with the following in attendance: George Korhel, Rick Durfee, Vicky Gearhart, Megan Boggs, and Christy Kessler.

Deposits of \$689.37 was made since the last meeting on November 2, 2022. Bills paid totaled \$654.00 since November 2022. A new bill was presented to be paid in the amount of \$18.35 for mower gas purchased by Vicky. Megan made a motion and Rick seconded to pay the bill.

Rick reported that he had talked to Don Paulson of DNA about the drip system. He was going to contact Les Hook of the City of Buffalo to get a load of water put in the storage tank for the drip system and then flag where the leaks are in the line. Don said he would come look at the line when the water began moving along the drip system.

Christy presented the 2023-2024 proposed budget which all board members reviewed. Vicky made a motion and Rick seconded to accept the proposed budget.

Megan emailed the Liability Insurance application to the Wyoming Local Government and worked with the 2023-2024 proposed budget.

Last year Rick had made a new wooden marker for the destroyed Hempi marker that was at the park. We had given the marker to the VFW who was the organization that placed the rock there that was destroyed. Vicky will contact someone from the VFW and see what the status was to get the plaque installed.

Last year Christy had talked to the Weed and Pest concerning our weeds which are Russian Thistle. They advised to wait until spring of 2023 to treat with Weedmast Plus Escort. Will contact Weed and Pest to see if they could come and spray and if they are not available then will contact Weed Slayer.

Election of officers was held: President – Christy Kessler, Vice – Rick Durfee, Treasurer – Megan Boggs, and Secretary – Vicky Gearhart.

Christy advised the board that the doors on the cabin needed to have some security screens placed on them She had contacted Bollinger Welding to see what he could make out of iron. He had given her a diagram of what he could do which she presented to the board. Rick made a motion and Megan seconded to have Bollinger move forward on making the safety screens for the three doors on the cabin.

The board would like to thank Bob and Aaron Kessler for the work they did on the wash out that happened on the east side of the path.

Kristin de Galard from the Johnson County Tourism would like to get pictures etc. for a website.

She was inquiring about the buffalo statue at the park as to when it was installed. Christy said she would look at previous board minutes.

Workday/meeting day will be held on July 10 th at 9:00 am.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Vicky Gearhart