

## BMJCA REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Saturday, August 22, 2009 – 10:00 a.m. – Volunteer Fire Station,  
Butte Meadows

### Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 10:07 a.m. by Miranda Morris, Board President.

Board members present: Miranda Morris, Jacque Goss, Katy Hildenbrand, Jim Carroll, Tom Arcoleo, Ren Wakefield, Steve Miller, Alice Zeissler, Bruce Miller.

Board members absent: Barbara Conklin, Larry Hildenbrand, Jim Conery, all excused.

Guests: Betty Volker, Gloria Bickley (who graciously took minutes for the absent secretary.)

Minutes of the July 11, 2009 Regular Board Meeting were reviewed. Tom Arcoleo moved, and Jim Carroll seconded that the minutes be accepted as presented. The motion was approved.

Treasurer's Report: Ren Wakefield reported that the current assets are \$38,273.76 with \$25,899.19 in checking and \$12,374.57 in savings. The current liabilities and equity total \$38,273.76.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

History: Jim Carroll reported that a work party had washed and cleaned the museum. On Monday he and Maggie Hill will paint it. He reported that minimal furnishing would be in place for the omelet breakfast and they are still looking for a 6" stovepipe for the stove.

Jim had some action shots of the cemetery clean up. They were mounted behind the panes of several old windows and would be on display at the breakfast.

Community Clean up: There will be three dumpsters on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 5 and 6. Two of the dumpsters will be for yard waste and one for other trash. There will be a sign-up list at the Omelet Breakfast for road clean up on Oct. 3, the first Saturday in October.

Emergency Preparedness: The donated supplies for shelter during an emergency are stored in the newly completed room at the Volunteer Fire Station. As per Board approval, Ren has an agreement with a contractor for the roof extension and we are on his wait list.

Tom said the CPR class has been cancelled due to lack of sign-ups. Contact numbers will be posted for classes in the valley. The committee is still working on a new generator for the firehouse. Tom passed out emergency phone number sheets.

WebPage/WebCam: Alice reported that Jim Conery has the web page up and running.

Be sure to use [www.BMJCA.com](http://www.BMJCA.com) rather than Google. If you use Google you will be told the web page is not operating. The Board gave a big thank you to the Web page committee.

Membership: The list of nominees for the 2010/2011 term and the people who will complete a term through December of 2010 was presented. Those people are:

For the 2010-2011 term:

Jim Carroll, Katy Hildenbrand, Barbara Mann, Bruce Miller, Miranda Morris and Ren Wakefield.

For uncompleted terms (which will be completed in Dec. of 2010):

Tom Arcoleo (for Bob Aisthorpe), Jim Conery (for Kathleen Purvis), Jacque Goss (for Dennis Goslin).

Katy questioned how Barbara Mann could manage the time necessary to be on the Board because she resides in Arizona during the winter. Ren and Gloria Bickley gave assurances that Barbara serves on several committees in both Chico and Arizona and travels back and forth as needed and manages to fulfill her duties. She also would be available for Board meetings by conference call if necessary.

The question of votes per membership was discussed. The by-laws state that a membership is \$20 per person. That is interpreted to mean that if only one person in a family is paid, then that person is the only one who can vote.

Since there will be a members-only raffle at the general meeting after the Omelet Breakfast a discussion was held on how to be sure that all members had raffle tickets for this special raffle. It was decided that a

special ticket to be used for the members-only raffle would be given to members when they paid for their breakfast.

Steve Miller showed the completed "Information Packet" that will be available at the Omelet Breakfast.

Newsletter: The next newsletter will be in January after the January Board meeting.

Things to include should be the new Board officers, events and happenings, reminder to pay dues for 2010. It was reported that there were many compliments on the summer newsletter.

Community/Government Services: Alice and Bruce are going to see about who to contact about a speed trailer and the cost. Katy and Jim showed a copy of a sign to warn drivers about speed. They will get more information. Ren reported that Jody, from the U.S. Forest Service had asked the Board's help in informing residents in the Butte Meadows/Jonesville area about not putting garbage in the dumpsters at the campgrounds.

She asked if the a representative from the Forest Service could speak about the problem and extra costs at the general meeting.

Activities: It was reported that the Cattle Drive Presentation was a smashing success, and the Flood of '97 video had good attendance (20-25 people). The last activity for this year will be the Colby Mountain Sunset/Moonrise Gathering (members only) on Oct. 3 at 5:30 pm. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own refreshments and car pool. A suggestion was made for a future event, perhaps in the spring. Bill Dennison and Blacky Gilbert who know a lot about the history of the Butte Meadows/Jonesville area spoke to a group at Barbara Mann's cabin and is reported to have been quite interesting.

Omelet Breakfast Fundraiser: The Pools will provide and cook the pancakes. Miranda and Barbara were thanked for lining up the volunteers. Board members were asked if they knew anyone else who would like to help. Buying raffle tickets will be done the same way as last year. Tickets will be \$1.00 each, 6 for \$5.00 or 3 spins on the wheel for \$20.00. If people want to write one check for all their purchases, a notation of this needs to be given to the raffle committee for their records. Past raffle prize donors need to be contacted for donations again this year. Maggie Hill has provided a fly rod. Bruce moved and Katy seconded that the price of the old color T-shirts be reduced to \$6.00. The motion carried. It is hoped that the sound system will be ready to use at

the breakfast. If not we should investigate renting or borrowing one. Left over food will be given to the CDF fire station. Inventory of equipment will be done at 2:00 today. There are enough cook stoves, however they all need new cylinders. After examining the records of how many people have been served breakfast at this event for the last 5 years, Jim Carroll moved and Jacque seconded that we plan for 350 people. The motion carried. The next Omelet Breakfast committee meeting will be Aug. 29, 2009 at the firehouse at 10:00 a.m.

#### Unfinished Business:

Non-profit Status: A purpose of our organization needs to be written to fit government guidelines.

Name changes for the checkbook is pending.

Standing rules: Katy moved that the Board table the proposal to adopt standing rules for the time being. The motion was seconded by Jim Carroll and approved.

Printing Account: It was decided by consensus that we do not open a printing account but that each person pay for Board needs and then seek reimbursement as we have been doing.

Shopping for cheaper rates was proposed.

#### New Business:

Public Address System: John Loyless has requested approval from the Board to purchase a microphone for use at BMJCA events. He has located one he thinks is a good buy. Ren moved and Alice seconded that John be given authority to purchase a PA system for up to \$200.00. The motion carried.

AED unit (Defibrillator): Ren said the BMJCA had received a donation of an AED unit. Bruce moved and Steve seconded that the unit be donated to the Volunteer Fire Dept. for use at Station #10's response unit. The motion carried.

Annual General Membership Meeting: The cost of annual membership was discussed. It was decided that the price will remain the same - \$20 per membership with \$5.00 delegated to Emergency Preparedness. The date for the 2010 Omelet Breakfast and Annual Membership meeting was discussed. The decision was tabled. Members at the annual meeting must be present to win any raffle prizes. A five minute time limit was

decided on for the “wants and concerns” agenda item.

Regular Board Meetings: Ren said the Board would no longer be able to use the CUTA office for the regular winter Board meetings. Bruce Miller said we can use the shop at Miller Glass. The next Board meeting will be in October, exact date, time and place to be announced.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

Submitted by Barbara Conklin, secretary, with thanks to Gloria Bickley who took meeting notes in Barbara’s absence.