

Deer Mountain Community Organization

Minutes

Saturday, April 21, 2012

George Dmyterko opened the meeting at 10:02 a.m. He thanked Jim & Jayne Oslin for allowing us to hold our meeting in their garage located at 1726 F Path.

George and Jayne passed out the membership cards. George made a motion to have members raise their membership cards as a method of voting. Jerry Armstrong seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

George made a motion to name our group the Deer Mountain Community Organization. Elaine Foster seconded the motion. It was passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Sandi Specht reported that we had inflow of \$2,162.76, and outflow of \$1,644.00, resulting in a balance of \$518.76.

Patty Funk read the minutes of the March meeting. Gwen Hoffnagle made a motion to accept the minutes of the March meeting as read. Cheryl Murten seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. Patty Funk made a motion to post the minutes on our web site and printing a few to hand out at the meetings for those who do not have internet access. Gwen seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Becky Girdler from the Fund Raising Committee proposed that we have a "sale table" at each meeting to sell baked goods and other items. Judy will sell eggs and give a portion of the proceeds to DMCO. Patty Funk made a motion to have a sale table at the meetings, and that the proceeds from these sales be shown as another line item on the treasurer's reports. Purchases would be made before and after the meetings and the table would be covered during the meeting. Cheryl seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. Elaine made a motion to have 70% of the proceeds go to the general fund and 30% go to the land & building fund. Cheryl seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

George gave an update on the Articles of Incorporation. A checking account is being started at the High Country Bank in Canon City. The Board Officers' names will be on the account (Chairman – Goerge Dmyterko, Treasurer – Sandi Specht and Secretary – Patty Funk). The address on the account will be George's (533 Keith Lane), and all mail will go to mailbox 11A at Wendy Drive and Copper Gulch.

Elaine Foster handed out and read the proposed bylaws regarding the Directors. She asked everyone to read them and discuss them at the next meeting. Jayne Oslin handed out and read the proposed bylaws regarding Membership. They will be discussed at the next meeting also.

Elaine gave an update on the Wholey Cow project. We shared this project with the Canon City Co-Op and were able to sell all the beef. It should be delivered by the end of the month. Any additional charges will be collected at that time, or any overpayment will be returned.

George reported that a few of our people ordered olive oil. This was brought to us by the Canon City Co-Op. It has already been delivered.

Gwen handed out information about buying frozen shrimp. She sent around a sign-up sheet for members interested in purchasing shrimp.

Becky gave an update on the May flea market. Thirteen spaces have been sold so far. The fund raising committee will be selling, sandwiches, chips and drinks. There will be a space to sell donated items for the DMCO. Any items not sold can be donated to DMCO and Patty and Cheryl will sell them in a booth at the US 50 yard sale the following weekend. Patty asked for volunteers to help man the booth. Anything not sold will be stored by some members and sold at other "flea markets" later in the year.

Gwen handed out information about a Health Food project that would give us the opportunity to purchase products normally available at health food stores at a cost that would be less than retail. It would cost DMCO \$25.00 annually for a membership fee. Gwen made a motion to use \$25.00 from the general fund to purchase the membership. George seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

George reported that the building committee is actively looking for land and a building. George made a motion, seconded by Mary that 70% of all go to the general fund and 30% go to a land and building fund. It was passed unanimously.

Elaine reported that we need a gaming license in order to hold raffles. An organization has to be established for five years before they can obtain a license. The Arkansas Valley Ambulance (AVA) has a gaming license and is willing to hold raffles for us if we pay half of the \$100.00 license fee. Proceeds would be given to AVA and they would write us a check quarterly. Patty Funk made a motion to join with AVA and give them a check for \$50.00. Cheryl seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. All income from this will be shown on a separate line item on the budget report. Patty Myers is a member of both AVA & DMCO and is a licensed gaming manager.

Elaine has set up a website and blog. The address is <http://deermountaincommunity.com>

George reported that a used go cart and 2 helmets have been donated for a raffle.

Becky proposed that we start a road clean-up on Copper Gulch. We could clean from the Royal Gorge Y to mile marker 3. It would be a plus when applying for grants. The county will provide trash bags & pick them up. Jerry said he has a flat bed trailer we could load the trash on and he could take it to the Y at Road Gulch for the county to pick up. Cheryl made a motion to sign a

contract with the county to do this. Elaine seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

Becky reported that we could get T-shirts with our logo for \$12.50 a piece. It was suggested that anyone interested in submitting a logo design could do so at the next meeting. This topic was tabled until the May meeting.

New Business

There was a discussion that we need to do more to get the word around about the organization. Everyone needs to tell their neighbors about it. We should also put flyers at the various community bulletin boards by the mail boxes and at the one at the fire house. Jerry said he had a lot of ideas about this and would talk to the membership committee.

There has been a problem getting information to all members. Gwen suggested starting a membership phone tree in addition to using e-mail. It was suggested we have a Communications Committee. Members will be asked their preference in being contacted.

The Oslin's said we could continue to meet in their garage. George made a motion, seconded by Elaine, to have the area closest to the garage reserved for handicapped parking.

Pam Gentry made a motion to move the start time for the meetings to 8:30 a.m. Mary seconded the motion. The motion was carried by a 14-2 vote.

Becky suggested that to hopefully boost memberships, perhaps we could have a raffle in August for members only. Michelle made a motion, seconded by Dave Bishop, to have a raffle open to members only in August. It was passed unanimously.

Burt Knuckles won the door prize.

The next meeting will be May 19, 2012 at 8:30 a.m. at 1726 F Path.

Patty Funk made a motion, seconded by Cheryl, to adjourn the meeting. It was passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: _____
Patty Funk – Interim Secretary