

The Heritage Network
Board of Directors
July 21, 2014

Meeting: Meeting called to order at 9:40 A.M. at the Council Chambers at Chewelah City Hall.

Present: Sue Richart, Don McLaughlin, Janet Thomas, Bill Sebright, Jackie Franks, Kathy Berrigan and Joe Barreca, President. Guests are Shanna Louthback and Patricia Ewers representing the DAR.

Next meeting: The August meeting will be at the SCHS Learning Center in Colville.

Minutes of the last meeting: Bill made some corrections on behalf of the Clayton Deer Park Historical Society. Bill moved to approve with the corrections and Sue seconded. Motion carried.

Financial Report: Sue distributed the financial report and a discussion followed. Don moved and Bill seconded a motion to approve report, Motion carried.

Program: The representatives from the DAR made a presentation about their organization. They showed a video about their organization and its programs. They showed their magazine *American Spirit*. They have a national organization with ones at state/local levels. In Spokane there are 3 and one in Couer d' Alene. Their chapter is called Spokane Gary.

Their programs are broad reaching and varied, extending beyond historical and patriotic causes and includes a variety of scholarships.

Military Road: Don updated the road project. There was a "steering committee" meeting last week about the final report. Currently time is being spent on compliance issues for the grant to be sure the report is submitted on time and correctly.

Joe displayed on a screen the GIS layer that he has been working on. He showed the road from top to bottom on Google Earth. He then showed some photographs for a few of the spots.

The final report will be delivered to DOT on August 28th. The project will then end on September 2nd.

Cabin: The Kalispel and Spokane tribes are working to present the dig application to DAHP. It should happen later this week. This is the third try but should go well because of the work of the archaeologists and contact with DAHP.

The grant application is in the process of being reviewed. Approvals will be made the first part of August. There is no way to project the outcome.

NPS Videos: You can now order copies of the oral histories that Judy did on line. Joe could have the past ones also put on. Joe ordered 3 copies of the DVD's per our last month's meeting. These

are in the public domain and are not copyrighted. Don suggested a big vote of thanks to Joe for following through on this project. All agreed.

Dick Slagle's photos are also available on the Crossroads site. He has lots of photographs of the activities in preparation for the creation of Lake Roosevelt.

State Archives/Crossroads: Joe wrote a letter to the Stevens County Commissioners regarding a transmittal agreement between the County and the State Archives. This will give permission for the transfer of the information from the Crossroads archive to the State Archive..

Another part is the request was for the County to transfer ownership of the Crossroads Web Page to The Heritage Network.

Around the Table:

Sue: She got a microfilm of military movements from Fort Benton to Fort Vancouver. She was able to digitize it and has distributed copies to interested parties.

She is still working on the transcription of the first Stevens County Commissioners minutes. It is going slowly, but is going. She is also extracting references to the Military Road and will provide those for Don the use in the road project.

Don: The Kalispel Tribe brought youth from the tribe to visit the Chewelah Museum. They visited the Cabin while they were in town. Don suggested that they also go to Colville and Kettle Falls to see the museums there.

SCHS: SCHS is having an Open House at the Keller Heritage Center in Colville. All facilities will be open. Hot dogs will be served at noon and games will be available for kids. It will be 12-3 and everyone is welcome.

The Greeter Coordinators are working and have found a few new Greeters. It is difficult because fewer and fewer people are willing to get involved. At the road meeting last week Kathy Snyder said she only has two volunteers for the entire Chewelah Museum.

Clayton Deer Park: Settlers Day in Deer Park is July 26th at the Park, and Brick Yard Days is August 2nd in Clayton..

Lynn Wells took some pictures of the Felts Field Ace of Spades. The records in the Prestini collection in Colville show a job being done for Felts Field and shows the glazes used. When Glendine gets back in town she will try to put a date with it, if it is possible.

The Williams Valley School got moved and not destroyed as was scheduled. It is now near the Happy Home Church. It is still in the vicinity of its original location. They removed an add on and replaced the porch. It is now on Wallbridge and Owens Roads. The original stoves were donated and placed back in the school.

Valley and Chewelah: The Valley Historical Society had an All School Reunion at the Valley School. About 70 people attended and pictures were taken.

Kettle Falls Historical Center: Jan Beardsley is helping with their displays. She is a new volunteer and is a real asset to the Center.

The outside nature trail had some damage done to plant life due to the heat.
Their annual auction will be sometime the end of September.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 AM and one of the guests from the DAR was escorted to the Cabin for a quick tour.