Called to order: The meeting was called to order at 9:30 by President Joe at the Chewelah City Hall.

Present: Joe Barreca, Don McLaughlin, Janet Thomas, Bill Sebright, Kathy Snyder, De Pelan, Lynn Wells. Sue Richart, Susan Dechant, and Karen Struve (Note: This item was added after the minutes were approved and reconstructed based on participation in the meeting – those listed in the minutes).

Minutes of the last meeting: Don moved and Karen seconded to approve the minutes as corrected. Motion Carried.

Financial report: Sue discussed and hand out copies of the financial report.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be at the Chewelah museum.

Cabin: Don reported that the next dig will begin the last weekend in June. It will skip the July 4th weekend. Then it will resume the weekend of the Chataqua. Volunteers are needed to help with the trowel work.

Janet and Don went to the Kalispel Tribe to discuss with their archaeologist the details of the dig. He is looking for people to help.

The Simms Papers at WSU were discussed. The method of getting them copied was discussed. Some contacts will be made before the next meeting.

New Archaeologist at NPS: Danica Romeyn if the new Archaeologist replacing Ray. Eric Ludwig is the new Interpretive Ranger there also.

House Bill 1107: No action yet. This bill with another one has been resubmitted.

WMS: THN rejoined but nobody from our area has submitted anything for the display.

SE Non-Profit Edition: Joe routed around to the group the ad that was submitted.

Around the table:
Clayton/Deer Park: They are working with an organization to “save the eagle” at the Clayton Drive In. The bid for taking off the paint, repairing the eagle, and then adding the right kind of paint is $12,000. The organization doing the repair will inspect it every year for 10 years.

Chewelah Museum: The name of the museum is the Walter E. Goodman Historical Museum. This week is the target for painting the museum. It will have painting on the front to emphasize historical items and people. It is hoped it will be done by the end of the year. Donations will cover all of the paint and labor.

The McCrea Cabin has changed hands. By it is the spring after which the town of Chewelah is named. Don will contact the new owners to see if there is any way for it to be used.

The possibility of publishing the Walt Goodman “book” that Barbara Swanson was working on was discussed. It was hoped that the work would be able to finished and published.

Loon Lake: They are still transitioning into a small museum.

Kathy suggested that there might be things in the Chewelah museum that would be useful to others and not relevant to their collection that should be shared. She thought they might have some of Loon Lake.

Lynn Wells: Researching this and that.

Stevens County Historical Society: Another break in to out buildings

Tower

Photographs –

Newspapers re extracted

Abstracts

NEWGS: Memorial Day weather was terrible but let up just for the addition of the names to the monument at the Courthouse. Last minute Susan saved the day with information about the people being added.

The rummage sale will be at Karen’s this Saturday.

The tree at the Evergreen Cemetery is still in need of removal.
The City of Coulee Dam people are working with the Bureau of Reclamation about details of a new monument, so it is moving along and it is hoped that it will progress.

The Kettle Falls Historical Center: They found three new volunteers and are now open 5 days a week.

Jennifer Ferguson, who is Tribal Museum Curator visited the center and gave advise about things they had on display. Some students from the tribal recreation program will be coming up to visit the KF museum and at Chewelah.

Sue: She has worked some Sundays at the museum in Colville. The people who come on Sundays are real history buffs.

The Reverend Samuel Parker had the first Protestant service in the area at Springdale to have services in. Sue presented a history dollar. Reverend Parker’s notes are on line and he mentioned the fact. Ells has previously been credited with the first service.

Don: The City is having a rash of cougars in the area. Fish and Wildlife are taking action.

Joe: He had to drive a bear from his vineyard. He also brought a book that had lots of information about mines in the area. He also showed his article written for the monthly newsletter from the gem and mineral club.

Kathy added that Phil Skok had left a map of the old mines in the area.

THN: The cabinet at the SCHS storage room.