

The Heritage Network  
**Board of Directors**  
March 17, 2014

**Present:** Joe Barreca, Jim Lapinski, Jo Nullet, Jackie Franks, Janet Thomas, Don McLaughlin, Russ Larsen, De Pelan, Kathy Berrigan, Bill Sebright, Susan Dechant, Karen Struve, and Sue Richart.

**Meeting** It was called to order by President Joe Barreca at 9:35 AM at the Stevens County Historical Society Museum in Colville.

**Location of the April General Meeting:** Karen will try to secure the Library room for April 21.

**Minutes of the last meeting:** Bill pointed out a wrong spelling of a name in his report. The name Creek should be Krick. Motion by Bill Sebright and seconded by Susan Dechant to approve the minutes as corrected. Motion carried.

**Financial Report:** Sue gave the financial report. Copy attached. Balance on hand is \$5,559.53.

**Mini Grants:** None are pending at this time.

**Ignite your Non-Profit:** Sue attended the workshop and made a report. The most important thing is to know your target and know your organization and its mission.

Janet reported that the Colville City Council has approved the Lodging Tax application which means that the Historical Society will hire a volunteer recruiter.

**Military Road:** Don reported on the status of the project. Report attached. Janet suggested we might want to have Wes do some additional spots for things not related to the road. There are many interesting places in Northeast Washington. Perhaps this could be a mini-grant.

**Cabin Report:** Don is going to a workshop at the MAC about funding of projects. Don handed out a rendering of what the Cabin would look like without the fireplace.

Janet submitted a request to not pay property taxes on the cabin but hasn't heard from the Department of Revenue yet.

**Theme for the year:** This year the theme for THN member displays is Organizations. Joe suggested that members might be willing to take on an organization for the year and try to collect information about them.

Joe will notify the membership to bring lists of organizations in each area to the next meeting to start our survey of organizations and then add to the survey the location of materials regarding each organization such as histories, minute books, etc.

**NPS Oral Histories:** We are nearing closure on the project. Joe is trying to talk Ray at NPS into using some of the histories in other ways for interpretive purposes.

**Crossroads Archive:** Crossroads project was trying to get the commissioners to give SCHS or THN some ongoing authority to maintain the archive. Joe talked to the commissioners who talked to their tech guy who talked to the state archives. The State Archive is trying to decide whether or not they would be involved.

Larry Cebula of EWU and the state digital archive in Cheney is working on this in the background also.

There was general agreement that we will wait until this is closed to decide about adding to the archive.

**Announcements:** Does the group want Joe to continue sending announcements he receives. No vote was taken, but the head nodding indicated yes, continue. Joe will send and we will delete if it isn't relevant to us.

#### **What's Up:**

**Crossroads etc;** Sue continues to extract the commissioner's minutes.

**NEWGS:** Karen reported that they had finished the courthouse monument. Susan is now working on the monument before it was the courthouse monument. It was originally for the purpose of honoring those who lost their lives working on Coulee Dam through the third powerhouse.

**Clayton/Deer Park Historical Society:** They are trying to keep Brick Yard Days going.

**KF Historical Center:** Closed for the winter. Many things are being repaired. Opening in May and the student contests are going on.

**Loon Lake:** Opening April 5<sup>th</sup> for Saturday and later Tuesday evening. They are replacing the roof and the furnace. Their big project will to collect information from Wesley and Bonnie Butler who were involved with Tungsten mining in that area. No more wine tasting.

**SCHS:** One major display change is being made to the museum. The medical/dental display will be larger and the telephone operator display will be smaller.

There is a \$10,000 grant about landscaping of the Keller Heritage Center. The first money is for the site survey. A landscape architect is working on the planning phase.

The Lodging Tax grant was finally approved so a volunteer recruiter will be hired.

**Hunters:** They now have a public rest room so tours can go through. Mick Schwartz will open it when asked.

**Valley:** Stalled as to the school, but still meeting as to the historical society.

**Chewelah:** Barbara is still working on the Goodman papers. Barbara is still in charge of the museum. Her daughter, Kathy Snyder, is helping her. The usual opening date in Memorial Day weekend. There have been some changes and rearrangements.

**KF Library:** Their collection is primarily photographs. Jo is going through photographs and getting names correct.

**City of Colville:** Jim Lapinski, Director of the Colville City Planning department, is also in charge of historic preservation. They are anxious to be involved and support our activities.

**History Dollar:** Jo read an interesting article about Indian History.