

FENW Board Meeting Minutes
June 24, 2010

Attendees:

FENW: Currie Craven, Ken Harper, Bill Reed, George Resseguie, and Rick Warren

Meeting Minutes – Minutes from the May 27 BD meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report

- As of May 31, there was \$25,066 in the FENW bank account, a \$132 decrease from April 30, 2010.
- Available funding for 2010 increased to \$36,511 to reflect retention of the 2009 grant from TSF (\$2,500) to be used in 2010 from the TRAFx Trial Monitoring System.
- The 2010 Budget has been revised to include the reinstatement of the TSF grant (\$2,500), revised funding commitments for noxious weed programs (\$395), and added funding for brochures (\$500). Year-end balance is projected at \$9,326.
- Spending to date totals \$2,128.
- The Treasurer's Report was approved.

Business Items

Membership

- In April & May, deposited \$1,295 in dues (41 renewed and 3 new memberships); total dues received in 2010 totals \$3016.60.

Grants for 2010

- Nothing planned until the fall – TSF, towns, & State Trails.

Dillon Ranger District Visitors' Guide

- We are waiting for a draft; timing is within the next couple of weeks.
- FENW will provide \$750 towards the cost of publishing the Guide.

TRAFx Trail Monitoring System

- System received; goal is to put the system into operation in July (George/John T.).
- Sam Massman (Eagle/Holy Cross) has an expert who can provide assistance.
- Initial thought is to place the monitors on trails around Lily Pad Lake; will coordinate with Cindy E.

Trail Projects

- Due to a lot of conflicting events, participation at the Gateways project was down from prior years.
- Pictures from the National Trails Day event are on the FENW Website – thanks Rick!
- Next event is campsite rehab on July 24; initial thoughts are to concentrate on areas around Boulder, Surprise, and Wheeler Lakes. Bill R. will welcome suggestions regarding other rehab areas.

Fund Raising – No report.

Publicity

- Eagle County – articles in local media resulted in 10 new Wilderness Volunteers to work with Ken H. We will discuss using the same consultant (Liana Moore) next year in Summit County.
- Brochures will be placed at the DRD; George to coordinate with Cindy E.
- More “Dog Cards” are needed in both Summit and Eagle Counties; George to contact the American Dog Owners Association.

Weeds

- P4C event is scheduled for July 10.

Wilderness Volunteer Rangers (WV) – Summit County – No report.

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Wilderness Volunteer Rangers (WV) Eagle County

- Ken has 26 volunteers this year, including 10 new people (see Publicity, above).
- Most of the new volunteers have been on a Mentor Hike.
- Ken still is organizing a Trail Day; further details TBD. His team has done some trail work on Booth Creek.
- FENW will provide some Corona saws and helmets to Ken for use this season.

Signage

Plans continuing to final a buy list for signage for Eagle/Holy Cross. Update (July 1) as follows:

At the April BD meeting, the BD approved a motion to spend up to \$1,500 for signage for the Eagle/Holy Cross Ranger District with the understanding that no purchase would be made before a detailed buy list was developed. Per discussion with Sam Massman and receipt of quotes from Wood Product Signs and Cole ScreenPrint, Inc, here is the buy list:

Wood Product Signs

2 WPV 36 Holy Cross Wilderness/White River National Forest signs using scorched oak (\$540.00)
2 WPV 36 Eagle Nest Wilderness/Whiter River National Forest signs using scorched oak (\$540.00)
Shipping (\$34.00)
Total Order: \$1,114.00

Cole ScreenPrint, Inc.

50 6:x8.5" single-sided signs (polydura material, holes drilled, rounded corners) (\$442.00)
Total Order \$442.00

Total Order -- \$1,556.00

The following E-Motion to revise the April BD motion was offered by George R and seconded by Ken H.: ***"Spend \$1,556 to purchase trail signage for the Eagle/Holy Cross Ranger District per quotes received from Wood Product Signs (6/25/2010) and Cole ScreenPrint, Inc. (6/4/2010)". Note: Motion passed with 5 positive votes; no response from 3 other BD members.*** George R. will place the orders the week of July 5.

Tools & Equipment

- Inventory completed with Sara Slaton, the FDRD tool leader. Going forward, will plan another inventory towards the end of July.

USFS News – No report.

Advocacy

- **Hidden Gems** – Currie will continue to work with the Hidden Gems folks (Kurt Kunkel, et.al.) to resolve outstanding issues. Presently, there is no timetable for Rep. Polis to submit legislation regarding the Hidden Gems initiative.

Website – No report.

Next Meeting – Thursday, July 22, at 5:30 at the Dillon Ranger District.

Submitted by
George Resseguie, Secretary/Treasurer