



Sublette County

Historic Preservation Board

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Sublette County Historic Preservation Board (CLG) 2020 Major Accomplishments

Projects & Restoration

- Deadline Ridge Fire Lookout – Volunteers provided routine maintenance including opening for the summer, closing for the winter, repainting roof, and installing new weather stripping on windows.
- Trappers Point Access Road – Lobbied BLM & Sublette County to address bad road condition in cultural resource sensitive location. Conducted historical research & survey in support of a BLM public road access permit. Monitored road construction completed in August 2020.
- Graves - Replaced missing grave marker on the Hultz grave at Buckskin Crossing.
- Big Piney & Marbleton Building Survey – Have been awarded a grant and have started the process to survey the 1940s buildings in Big Piney & Marbleton to be completed in 2021.

Consultation & Comment

- Wardell Buffalo Trap – supported BLM contracted survey on the Wardell Buffalo trap.
- Aspen Ridge – supported BLM contracted survey of the Aspen Ridge rock alignment site.
- Green River Drift PA – participated in the 5 year review of the Green River Drift programmatic agreement.
- Irrigation PA – participated in the creation of the new statewide Irrigation programmatic agreement.

Site Surveys & Evaluations

- Big Sandy Lodge – Started the process for a National Register nomination, but pulled back at the request of the owners. Instead started to gather historical materials to support a future NR nomination including scanning family records to be given to museum.
- Bondurant Dipping Vat - Consultation and site survey with US Forest Service on restoration of historic Bondurant cattle dipping vat.
- New Fork Fire Pits – Conducted evaluation of three fire pits eroding from a bank of the New Fork River adjacent to the Lander Trail - New Fork River Crossing - Historical Park.

Sublette County Audit

- Sublette County posts audits on their website www.sublettewyo.com – Departments – County Clerk – Audit. The 2019 audit is posted but 2020 audit has not been completed.

Sublette County Historic Preservation Board - Certified Local Government
Regular Board Meeting, Monday, October 21, 2019
Southwest Sublette County Pioneers Senior Center, Marbleton, Wyoming
Meeting Minutes

Board members present: Clint Gilchrist (President), Dawn Ballou (Secretary), Andrea Lewis, Don Schooley, Jonita Sommers, Carmel Kail

Board members not present: Dave Vlcek, Bob Beiermann, Sam Drucker

Special Guest: Heather Rockwell, New State Deputy Historic Preservation Officer

Note: This meeting was held on Monday, rather than usual Tuesday, in order to accommodate the schedule of our special guest.

Meeting called to order at 3:00PM by President Clint Gilchrist.

1. **Minutes:**

MOTION: By Jonita to accept minutes of Sept. 24, 2019 regular meeting as presented.
2nd by Carmel Kail. Unanimous, motion passes.

2. **Introduction of Heather Rockwell:** Heather started a few months ago. She is going around the state meeting CLGs and looking for feedback and how the state can help us.
3. **Deadline Ridge Fire Lookout restoration:** Work about done for now. Discussion about getting directional signs on the road. Clint will ask JP with Bridger-Teton National Forest about it.
4. **Big Sandy Lodge National Register nomination:** Brian at SHPO will look at grant request. Clint found a box of slides donated by Lynn Thomas (former owner of Big Sandy Lodge) from 1970s. He thought her family might want to look through the slides. He will talk with them about it. Clint will keep working on grant request. Forest Service reviewing it – will need their approval since the lodge is on National Forest land (Bridger-Teton National Forest) operating under a special use permit. Will need signatures of the County Commissioners on the grant request.
5. **Trappers Point Access Road & Archaeology:** Archaeologist Dave Vlcek needs to file a report with the BLM on road survey. Heather Rockwell said she will look it over when it comes in and help push it through.
6. **Bondurant Dipping Vat:** Carmel said it is so collapsed, will be hard to restore. She will get site form paperwork filled out for it. In her opinion the structure isn't eligible to be listed on the National Register because it doesn't have integrity any more. Could restore without consultation. It was built in the 1930s to deal with a scabies outbreak. It is a true dipping vat with a cage for the animals. Only one other found in the state we know of. Would be great to rebuild. Part of the cage may be salvageable . The oven is still there, vat is still there. All the wood is questionable. Pieces can be saved maybe. Carmel will write up a report and run it by JP with the Forest Service. We'll talk about it again next year.
7. **Pinedale Skeletons:** There was a talk about this last week given by Rick Weathermon at the local chapter of the Wyoming Archaeological Society at the Museum of the Mountain Man in Pinedale. Bones discovered in 2007 on private land in the back yard of a home west of Pinedale while construction being done on a new septic system. The home is located near the New Fork River. Parts of 6 skeletons found. Determined to be about 1000 years old. Three adults and three children. All killed. Rick suggested isotope analysis can help determine if they were Native American and possible where they came from. Our CLG has funds that could be used to help pay for that. Eastern Shoshone say they are ok with some research, then would like bones buried.
MOTION: By Carmel to pay up to \$500 for isotope analysis on the Pinedale Skeleton bones. 2nd by Andrea. Unanimous, passes.
Additional discussion: DNA analysis is more expensive. Clint will see if he can find a \$ source. Cost would be

about \$2,000 for each skeleton. What about a TV show that highlights history mysteries? They might pay for the analysis.

Heather commented that DNA is a destructive analysis technique – some Native American tribes don't want that. She suggests doing Native American consultation again before moving forward with TV show idea.

8. Project Updates:

a) Monument Ridge Fire Lookout: Bad access road. Forest Service has plans to fix it. Too late to do work up there this year.

b) Picto-Petroglyph Sites: Dave Vlcek documented the Hunt site and will write up site form. No one has documented the Bull Creek site yet. Project for next year.

c) Grave Markers: Need to GPS Buckskin Crossing emigrant grave. Probably won't be able to mark since it is on private land. Need to locate first. Don will talk with Billy Pape at the County and ask about what happened to the old marker that used to be there. Jonita and Don will GPS site. Will get permission from land owner first.

d) New Fork Cattle Bridge: Nothing new to report. This is a historic bridge across the New Fork River as part of the Green River Drift cattle drive. Carmel has offered to do a site form on it.

e) Fort Bonneville: Still waiting for State approval on land exchange. State Lands Board has to approve, then deeds can be signed. State owns 1 acre of the 1832 fur trade era fort site. The fence on the ground doesn't fit the legal description or actual property lines. Have approval from the Attorney General, now at SHPO review. Once done, .2 acres of extra land where the fort sits will be donated to the Sublette County Historical Society (SCHS). The property will be jointly managed between the State and SCHS.

f) Homestead Records: Scanning rest of the reports will be a winter project. Need to be scanned before paperwork goes to the Green River Valley Museum for permanent storage so we have a copy of the work. Ten year's worth of field survey data.

g) Skyline Theatre: Nothing new to report, expect more info next month.

h) Drone Project: Documented two sites. Sam doing photo analysis. Nothing new to report for now.

i) Big Sandy Fish Dam and Reservoir Enlargement Project: Bureau of Reclamation project. Big Sandy Reservoir flood pool enlargement and Eden Canal work. Dave not here for further report on his post analysis.

j) Beaver Slide Project: Nothing new to report

k) Green River Drift Fence: Nothing new to report

9. Other Business:

- **Dunham Place:** Carmel said this is an interesting ranch, classic old west ranch buildings, old homestead. Possible CLG tour?

Next meeting: Tuesday, November 26, 2019 at the Pinedale Library, 3:00pm

MOTION: To adjourn by Carmel, 4:30PM

Respectfully submitted,
Dawn Ballou, Secretary

Sublette County Historic Preservation Board
Certified Local Government
November 26, 2019 Meeting Minutes (Final approved)
Pinedale Library

Board members present: Clint Gilchrist (Pres), Dave Vlcek (VP), Dawn Ballou (Sec), Jonita Sommers, Don Schooley, Bob Beiermann, Andrea Lewis, Carmel Kail

Board members not present: Sam Drucker

Note: Board member Sam Drucker passed away earlier this month.

Meeting called to order by Clint at 3:07PM.

1. **Minutes:** Review October 21, 2019 meeting minutes
MOTION: By Carmel to accept minutes as presented. 2nd by Jonita. Unanimous, passes.
2. **Expiring terms:** Terms for Clint, Bob, Don and Andrea are expiring this month. If want to stay on board, must send an email to County Clerk Carrie Long before the Commissioner's January meeting. There is no application form. Board member terms expiring in 2021 will be Dawn, Jonita and Sam. Carmel the year after that. We will think about possible new board members to fill Sam's vacant seat.
3. **Big Sandy Lodge Grant:** The grant application has been turned in.
MOTION: By Dave to approve the grant application to obligate \$4,000 CLG fund for Big Sandy Lodge National Register nomination. 2nd by Bob. Unanimous, passes.
4. **New Grant:** State CLG grant money is available if we want to do a second project. Nothing suggested.
5. **Pinedale Skeletons:** At an earlier meeting we voted to authorize up to \$500 for isotope analysis on bones. There is also possibility of gaining info from microwear analysis on the teeth.
MOTION: By Dave to authorize up to \$700 for microwear analysis on teeth. 2nd by Andrea.
Discussion: Dave pointed out this is an opportunity not usually available with Native American remains found on public lands. These were found on private land, so don't have the obstacles or objections to analysis. Vote: Unanimous, passes.
6. **Drone Project:** Sam Drucker passed away before he could get analysis done. Our CLG gave Sam a hard drive so we could get drone data. Don't know who at BLM has the hard drive or is assigned to follow through with the analysis now. Maybe we can find someone BLM would be ok with doing it. Clint will find the emails with discussions about the hard drive to give to BLM-Brigid showing documentation of the agreement. Dave commented that the drone markers are still in place and need to be removed. Dave will talk with Ken Cannon and Larry Todd if they might be able/interested in doing the analysis. We will revisit topic at January 2020 meeting.
7. **Sublette County Centennial:** The County Centennial is coming up. Runs from January 2021 to January 2023 for important dates. Clint would like to see the County form a committee to spearhead centennial events over the next couple of years. He will contact the Commissioners and make the suggestion to get a feel for their thoughts on it. He will also talk with Mark Eater on the Museum Board. Two years of possible events and projects for celebrations.
8. **Project Updates:**
 - a. **Bondurant Dipping Vat:** Carmel, nothing new to report.
 - b. **Trappers Point Access Road:** Dave, has report almost all written. His goal is to have the report

to the BLM by the end of this month. Archaeology was found in his survey of the road, but in his opinion there would be no significant impact by the road work. His conclusion is the road reconstruction work will have no adverse effect.

c. **Deadline Fire Lookout:** Shutters are on. Bob will go up next week and check on it.

d. **Monument Ridge Lookout:** Don commented the Forest Service might put the work to fix the road up to the lookout up for bid. Should we add Prospect Peak lookout to our project list?

e. **Picto-Petroglyph (Hunt, Bull Creek):** Dave is working on the site form for Hunt site. Still needs to do D-Stretch. BLM Brigid submitted a site form for the same site. She doesn't want to call it the Jerry Hunt Pictograph site. Wants to call it the Mahogany site, "won't name it after a white rancher." Site is on BLM ground in Lincoln County. Dave unhappy with the renaming, is going to go ahead and submit his form. Will do forms for others next summer.

f. **Grave Markers-GPS Buckskin Crossing:** Project for next summer

g. **New Fork Cattle Bridge:** Carmel, nothing new to report.

h. **Fort Bonneville:** Paperwork going to State Parks now. State Parks committee has to approve it. Clint will ask Representative Jim Roscoe about it.

i. **Homestead Records:** Bob commented he talked with Helena Linn and she would like to go back and talk with the people who didn't let her in before on the Homestead Project. It would be next summer. We have about \$10,000 in project money in budget that could help pay her for her additional work if that happens.

j. **Skyline Theatre:** Still being worked on. Hope to get Town of Pinedale to buy the building.

k. **Big Sandy-Fish Dams, Reservoir Enlargement:** Nothing new to report.

l. **Beaver Slide:** Clint, nothing new to report.

m. **Green River Drift Fence:** Clint, nothing new to report.

9. **Other Business:**

Sam Drucker memorial? Dave suggested having an archaeology project in Sam's name? Day project. Chalk Butte chert quarry recordation? Mark the Wagner Variant of the Lander Trail? Holden Hill site documentation?

10. **Next Meeting:** January 28, 2020 at the Pinedale Library, 3PM. No meeting in December.

MOTION: To adjourn by Dave, 2nd by Carmel. 4:50PM

Respectfully submitted,
Dawn Ballou, Secretary

Sublette County Historic Preservation Board - Certified Local Government

Regular meeting - Minutes

Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2020

Pinedale, Wyoming

Pinedale Library Board Room

Board members present: Clint Gilchrist (Pres), Dawn Ballou (Sec), Don Schooley, Andrea Lewis, Carmel Kail, Jonita Sommers, Bob Beiermann (quorum present)

Board members not present: Dave Vlcek (in Yucatan)

Meeting called to order at 3:05PM by President Clint Gilchrist.

1. **Meeting Minutes:** Dave commented by email regarding Trappers Point access road survey. There was archaeology found, but the road work would cause no significant impact.
MOTION: By Carmel to accept minutes as amended. 2nd by Don. Unanimous, passes.
2. **Board Reappointments and discussion about new members:** Clint, Bob, Don, and Andrea were reappointed/appointed by the County Commissioners. We have one seat open due to Sam Drucker passing away last November. Suggestions discussed. They will be talked to and suggest they submit a letter of interest to Sublette County Clerk Carrie Long.
3. **Officers:**
MOTION: By Carmel to reelect the same officers as last year. 2nd by Andrea. Those officers were Clint Gilchrist-President, Dave Vlcek-VP, Dawn Ballou-Secretary. Unanimous, passes.
4. **2020 Board Meeting schedule:**
Our meeting schedule has been to meet on the 4th Tuesday of the month, alternating between Pinedale (Pinedale Library Board Room), and Marbleton (Marbleton Senior Center), at 3:00PM.
MOTION: By Bob to keep the same meeting schedule as last year. 2nd by Andrea. Unanimous, passes.
5. **Big Sandy Lodge National Register nomination:** Dewitt Morris pulled his support for the National Register nomination for the lodge due to issues he has with working with the Forest Service on some things. This has killed our grant application. Dee would be willing to pay to have some oral histories done of people who used to work for the lodge. Toni David and Tim Lightner worked there. Judi Myers wrote up some stories. Lynn Thomas had a scrapbook. There is supposedly a history write up somewhere. Jonita will ask around and see who might have the history write up. Andrea will check the Museum of the Mountain Man archives and see if the Lynn Thomas scrapbook is in the collection there. Someone will ask the Morris family if they have the scrapbook. Will see who might be interested in doing some oral histories. Clint will ask Ann Noble, see if we can find someone to spearhead the Big Sandy Lodge oral history effort. Give name of that person to Dee and let them work together on the oral histories. Dee will pay them. Clint will talk with John Anderson and see if he might be interested. Dee's intent is to eventually get the lodge listed on the National Register someday.
6. **New Grants:** (Replacement project for Big Sandy Lodge NR) We would need grant paperwork in to the State by the end of February if we were to apply for a new project grant. We would need signatures of the Sublette County Commissioners at a public meeting. Goal is to get to SHPO by next week and see what we need. Ideas: Big Piney Brick District survey-buildings and locations; Survey of historic buildings in Big Piney and Marbleton-document dates built, condition. Carmel has already done some of this work pre-1940. We have \$5,000 we can put in to match a \$5000

grant. Clint will ask SHPO if there is the possibility of more money.

MOTION: By Jonita to propose a grant project to survey pre-1940 buildings in Big Piney and Marbleton, to spend up to \$5000 of CLG money. 2nd by Andrea. Unanimous, passes. Clint will work on the grant part. We will do a Request for Proposals in March if approved.

7. **Bondurant Dipping Vat:** Carmel wrote a great report with photos. Suggest non-eligibility for National Register. Sent site narrative to JP Schubert, Archaeologist with the Forest Service. If someone wants to rebuild the structure, need permission of Forest Service. Need more of the history written up. The site form needs to be reviewed by Forest Service and SHPO. Rebuilding project needs to be discussed at a future date.
8. **Sublette County Centennial:** The County Centennial is coming up (2021-2022). Our group would like to do a project for it. Compile existing information and make some displays? Have maps put on county map server layers? Will discuss more later.
9. **Sam Drucker memorial project:** See about getting Wardell Bison Trap site nominated as a National Landmark? Will discuss more at next meeting.
10. **Project Updates:**
 - a) **Trappers Point Access Road:** BLM has Dave's archaeology report. Going through some tribal consultation. May be done so County can begin road work in the spring.
 - b) **Deadline Ridge Lookout:** Nothing new to report
 - c) **Monument Ridge Lookout:** The Forest Service put out a bid for road reconstruction work up to the lookout – Teletractors will do the work.
 - d) **Pinedale Skeletons:** Possibility of some more testing on bones. Clint will do follow-up.
 - e) **Picto-Petroglyph (Hunt, Bull Creek):** Project for this summer.
 - f) **Drone Project:** Will BLM do something to finish this project work? Sam Drucker passed away before could finish this.
 - g) **Grave Markers:** Jonita talked with Pete Arambel-he didn't move the grave marker at Buckskin Crossing. Don will ask Billy with Road & Bridge about it. Jonita, Don and Ann Noble will go out there this summer and witch the grave and GPS.
 - h) **New Fork Cattle Bridge:** Future project for Carmel. Hailey Lockwood is writing up a history of the bridge.
 - i) **Fort Bonneville:** Close to getting the deeds filed.
 - j) **Homestead Records:** We need to schedule another work day for scanning records. TBA
 - k) **Skyline Theatre:** Nothing new to report
 - l) **Big Sandy Fish Dams:** Nothing new to report
 - m) **Beaver Slide:** Nothing new to report
 - n) **Green River Drift:** Nothing new to report
11. **Other Business:**
 - Ann Noble is writing a National Register nomination for the Darwin Place (Teton County). Will defend February 25th.

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 25, 2020, 3:00PM at the Marbleton Senior Center.

MOTION: By Carmel to adjourn. 4:45PM

Respectfully submitted,
Dawn Ballou, Secretary

**Sublette County Historic Preservation Board
Certified Local Government (CLG)
Regular Board Meeting
February 25, 2020
Marbleton Senior Center, 3:00PM**

Meeting Minutes

Board Members present: Clint Gilchrist (President), Dave Vlcek (VP), Dawn Ballou (Secretary), Jonita Sommers, Don Schooley, Andrea Lewis, Bob Beiermann, Carmel Kail – quorum present

Guest/Public: Richard Kail

1. **Meeting called to order** at 3:00PM by President Clint Gilchrist.
2. **Review and approve minutes of January 28, 2020 meeting:** Carmel had two small corrections regarding Bondurant Dipping Vat: “She will send site narrative to JP Schubert, Archaeologist with the Forest Service. The site form needs to be reviewed by Forest Service and SHPO. If someone wants to rebuild the structure, need permission of Forest Service. ~~Need more of the history written up (delete).~~ Rebuilding project needs to be discussed at a future date.”
MOTION: By Jonita Sommers to approve minutes of January 28 regular board meeting as amended. 2nd by Dave Vlcek. Unanimous, motion passes.
3. **Big Sandy Lodge oral histories:** Dewitt Morris will see about finding someone to contract to do some interviews. Discussion about possible names of people who could do it.
4. **Big Piney Grant/Marbleton histories:** Will meet with Commissioners on March 3rd to get their signatures for the grant. As soon as signed, will go to SHPO. Dave mentioned a possible brick kiln site outside of LaBarge. Bob, Jonita and Carmel talked with the Big Piney and Marbleton Town Councils about the project so they know about it. Marbleton Town Council passed a motion to support it. Clint will let the Green River Valley Museum know about it. Carmel let Amy with the Big Piney/Marbleton Economic Development Council know about it also. We would like to get money spent by July 1st. Need to contact landowners.
5. **Bondurant Dipping Vat:** Carmel: Site form done and submitted. Bondurant folks would like to see it rebuilt. Possible project for next summer? Possible Sublette Centennial project?
6. **Sublette County Centennial:** Advertisements for committee out in newspaper, Pinedale Online, sent to Museum Board, Cattlewomen’s Association, organizations, emailed. Clint will email out a digital version so people can forward to people who might be interested.
7. **Project Updates**
 - a. **Trappers Point Access Road:** Dave sent archaeology report to BLM in December. SHPO concurred no adverse impact. Recommended no work when pronghorn/cattle moving through. Expect road reconstruction work will take about a week. BLM doing some Native American consultation and NEPA work. Hoping can be done in spring in time to be ready by July Rendezvous. Thank you to Mike Bies for spearheading the archaeology with Dave. Clint sent him a free membership to the Sublette County Historical Society. BLM still needs to issue a right-of-way, then County schedule the road work. They will need an archaeologist onsite as they do road work – Dave volunteering his professional services for that.
 - b. **Deadline Ridge Fire Lookout:** Bob tried to snowmachine up there 3 weeks ago, but weather

didn't cooperate. Next summer we hope to do touchup paint and work on shutters. Bob mentioned that Prospect Peak lookout is very similar to Deadline. Roof repair work needs to be done on it.

c. **Pinedale Skeletons:** We have already approved \$1200 for lab analysis work. Should try to get done soon. Changes in state laws may make it not possible later. Microwear and isotopes. May not be able to do DNA if law changes.

d. **Picto/Petroglyph sites (Hunt, Bull Creek):** BLM Brigid Grund doesn't want site named Jerry Hunt Pictograph site – wants it named the Mahogany site. Dave objects to this. He will submit an addendum to the site form.

e. **BLM Drone Project:** Brigid Grund leaving Pinedale Field Office BLM. We should ask BLM Field Manager to assign someone else to this project so it gets done. We could possibly find a grant to help pay for it.

f. **Buckskin Grave Marker:** Grave marker disappeared when new fence along road put in. No one seems to know what happened to it. Don will ask Butch Penton, former County Road & Bridge supervisor if he knows anything about it.

g. **New Fork Cattle Bridge:** Later work

h. **Fort Bonneville:** All State entities have approved, now at Attorney General's office to revise deeds. Once approved, Sublette County Historical Society has to go to County and get a variance application for the .2 acres. Plan for March. Hopefully all land issues completed by summer. Dan Bach with the State is working on signs for the site. Clint will ask Dan for an update if funding is still in budget to redo approach.

i. **Homestead Record Scanning:** Scanning day scheduled for March 14 or 15, whoever can help

j. **Skyline Theatre:** Nothing new to report

k. **Big Sandy:** Dave hasn't seen revised EA. He will send an email and ask about status.

l. **Beaver Slide:** Nothing new to report

m. **Green River Drift Fence:** Nothing new to report

1. **Other Business**

- Dave said there is a display at the Pinedale Library right now of historic photos of Pinedale. Randy/Julie Belton have early photos of the Bloom ranch in Pinedale. There is also a photo of the man who carved the mountain man statue at the Museum of the Mountain Man.

- Dave said WAPA/WAS meeting will be in Sheridan, Wyoming March 1-3; he is planning on going.

Next meeting: March 24, 2020, 3:00PM, Pinedale Library

MOTION to adjourn by Carmel, 4:45PM

Respectfully submitted,
Dawn Ballou, Secretary

**Sublette County Historic Preservation Board
Certified Local Government (CLG)
Regular Board Meeting
April 28, 2020
Museum of the Mountain Man, Pinedale, Wyoming, 3:00PM**

Meeting Minutes

Board Members present: Clint Gilchrist (President), Dave Vlcek (VP), Dawn Ballou (Secretary), Don Schooley, Andrea Lewis, Carmel Kail, Jonita Sommers (via Zoom) – quorum present

Board Members not present: Bob Beiermann

1. **Meeting called to order** at 3:15PM by President Clint Gilchrist.
2. **Review and approve minutes of February 25, 2020 meeting. Note there was no March 24 meeting due to coronavirus shut-down:**
MOTION: By Dave Vlcek to accept minutes of February 25 regular board meeting as presented. 2nd by Don Schooley. Unanimous, motion passes.
3. **Big Piney/Marbleton Grant:** We got the final grant paperwork back. \$5,000 grant. Board members keep track of any time spent on the project so we can use as matching. Carmel will do some research about first owners. Landowners who do not give permission will be shown as Landowner Permission Not Given. Clint will draft a letter to Landowners.
MOTION: By Dave to approve the Request for Proposal with modifications based on discussion, and review by email. 2nd by Jonita. Unanimous, passes. Goal is to get out by May 1st, responses in by May 22, start June 15th. Clint will revise and send out to board. Ask both towns to be a part of the Landowner letter. Have contract ready in June. Have a list of landowners ready to go.
4. **FY 2021 Budget:** We cut of 15% of our budget request at the request of the County.
MOTION: By Dave to accept revised budget as presented. 2nd by Carmel Kail. Unanimous, passes.
5. **Project Updates**
 - a. **Trappers Point Access Road:** Access road paperwork signed by County and given back to BLM. Dave will check with Rio Verde Engineering on schedule to begin road work.
 - b. **Deadline Ridge Fire Lookout:** Still has snow.
 - c. **Monument Ridge Fire Lookout:** Still has snow. Maybe work can be done in August.
 - d. **Big Sandy Lodge Oral Histories:** Family members of Lynn Thomas are coming in July and August. Hopefully someone can interview them while they are here. Daughter is bringing papers that we can scan.
 - e. **Sublette Centennial:** A committee is forming. Meeting to finalize the request for proposal for coordinator.
 - f. **Pinedale Skeletons:** We have already approved \$1200 for lab analysis work. COVID-19 pandemic has most everyone working from home and hard to get hold of now. New statewide human skeleton law shouldn't apply to the Pinedale skeletons. Dave will follow up.
 - g. **Picto/Petroglyph sites (Hunt, Bull Creek):** Dave will submit an addendum to the site form for Hunt site. Bull Creek is a summer project for after snow melts.
 - h. **Bondurant Dipping Vat:** SHPO says the site is not eligible to be put on National Register. We

would like to do some work out there this summer to fix up. Clint will talk with Katheryn Campbell about it more.

i. **BLM Drone Project:** Carmel talked with BLM about it. Will try to get it on a work plan so someone finishes it up.

j. **Buckskin Grave Marker:** Will do when can after snow is off.

k. **New Fork Cattle Bridge:** Dave went out a couple of weeks ago and took some photos. Haley Lockwood Clark has some research on it. Structure in very poor condition, not used anymore. Not eligible for National Register.

l. **Fort Bonneville:** Nothing new since last meeting. COVID-19 has shut down state offices. The Historical Society will need to go in front of Planning & Zoning for a variance on the .2 acres.

m. **Homestead Record Scanning:** Jonita took some files and sorted them and put into folders. We need to do another scanning day sometime.

n. **Skyline Theatre:** Nothing new to report

o. **Big Sandy:** Dave said the entire project may not happen. He will check up on this.

p. **Beaver Slide:** Nothing new to report

q. **Green River Drift Fence:** Nothing new to report

1. **Other Business**

- **Wardell Buffalo Trap analysis** - Dave said the State got \$120,000 from BLM to do analysis of Sam Drucker's work. State kept money but didn't do the work. Dave will see if he can find out more.

Next meeting: May 26, 2020. Not sure where or if by Zoom.

MOTION to adjourn by Dave, 4:54PM. 2nd by Don.

Respectfully submitted,
Dawn Ballou, Secretary

**Sublette County Historic Preservation Board
Certified Local Government
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, May 26, 2020
3:00PM, Pinedale Library Board Room**

Board members present: Clint Gilchrist (President), Dave Vlcek (VP), Dawn Ballou (Secretary), Carmel Kail, Andrea Lewis present in person; Jonita Sommers and Bob Beiermann via Zoom. Quorum present.

Board members not present: Don Schooley

Meeting called to order at 3:00PM by President Clint Gilchrist.

1. **Minutes of April 28, 2020 regular board meeting:**

MOTION: By Carmel to approve minutes as presented. 2nd by Dave. Unanimous, passes.

2. **Big Piney/Marbleton Grant** – Proposal, Landowner, Press Release

We only received one proposal, was for \$14,000, over our budget. Discussion about extending deadline 2 more weeks.

MOTION: By Andrea to extend the RFP deadline to June 9th. 2nd by Jonita. Unanimous, passes.

We will schedule another meeting for June 11th at 3:00PM at the Pinedale Library to further discuss this. Board members asked to send the RFP to anyone they can think of who might be interested in project. Discussion about letter to landowners with permission forms. Clint will rework it and try to get on one form and get out in next few days.

MOTION: By Dave to send out letter to landowners in next few days. 2nd by Carmel. Unanimous.

3. **Green River Drift Programmatic Agreement (PA):** Zoom meeting on June 3rd at 1PM at Pinedale BLM. Clint will be part of it.

4. **Irrigation PA:** Dave volunteered to be a part of it. Will discuss policies for mitigation.

5. **Bondurant Dipping Vat:** There will be a meeting on June 16th to review it.

Andrea left, 3:35PM

6. **Budget Hearing:** Our hearing with Commissioners will be sometime the first week in June, don't know exact date yet.

7. **Project Updates**

a) **Trappers Point Access Road:** Work should begin late July. Had hoped for before Rendezvous, but probably not.

b) **Big Sandy Lodge – Oral Histories:** Lynn Thomas's daughter coming in late July. She is bringing boxes of family documents. We would like to have contents scanned.

c) **Deadline Fire Lookout:** We would like to do more painting this summer. Bob will keep an eye on snow melt conditions and access.

d) **Monument Ridge Lookout:** Any work depends on what Forest Service does.

e) **Sublette County Centennial:** Don't have applicants yet to be on committee or for director. Having a meeting on Thursday and will regroup.

f) **Pinedale Skeletons testing:** Dave will send an email to Rick Weathermon asking for an update on testing. Everything has either shut down or slowed way down due to COVID-19 pandemic.

g) **Picto-Petroglyphs:** Dave will check more on Hunt site.

h) **Drone Project:** There may be some field work this fall on it. Remap and compare to drone work. Brigid Grund of Pinedale Bureau of Land Management sent an RFP for contract mapping

work at Aspen Ridge to the BLM Wyoming State Office for approval and publication. She hopes the contract will be let and the contract field work done this year.

i) **Buckskin Crossing Grave Markers:** Don went out to look for the markers, can't find.

j) **New Fork Cattle Bridge:** Dave will go out and measure it. He will have more for our next meeting.

k) **Fort Bonneville:** Got variance from Sublette County Planning & Zoning for the .2 acres from Paravacini family to go to Sublette County Historical Society. Dave went out to site and picked up some trash and checked for any new holes, none. Clint took down the game camera about a month ago. State will bring out new interpretive signs once land transfer work done.

l) **Homestead Records:** Scanning on hold for now until everyone has more time.

8. **Dormant Projects**

a) **Skyline Theatre:** On hold for now due to COVID-19 shut down.

b) **Big Sandy Fish Dam & Reservoir Enlargement:** This project is on hold for now.

c) **Beaver Slide:** Project on hold for now

d) **Green River Drift Fence:** Meeting in June on Programmatic Agreement

- Move Picto-Petroglyphs to Dormant list for future meetings

9. **Other Business**

- Dave mentioned questioning the State on the Wardell Buffalo Trap site and \$120,000 money given for survey work but nothing was done. Things shut down at state level currently for COVID-19 pandemic. Dave will keep checking on it.

10. **Next meeting** – Tuesday June 23 in Marbleton, 3:00PM

MOTION: By Dave to adjourn, 4:34PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Dawn Ballou, Secretary

**Sublette County Historic Preservation Board
Certified Local Government
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, June 23, 2020
3:00PM, Marbleton Town Hall Board Room**

Board members present: Clint Gilchrist (President), Dave Vlcek (VP), Dawn Ballou (Secretary), Carmel Kail, Andrea Lewis, Don Schooley, Bob Beiermann present in person; Jonita Sommers via Zoom. Quorum present.

Meeting called to order at 3:07PM by President Clint Gilchrist.

1. **Minutes of May 26, 2020 regular board meeting:**

MOTION: By Dave to approve minutes of May 26 meeting. 2nd by Bob. Unanimous, passes.

2. **Big Piney/Marbleton Grant** –We received two proposals over the extended RFP period. One was over our budget. Other from the Alliance for Historic Wyoming.

MOTION: By Carmel to accept the proposal from the Alliance for Historic Wyoming.

We want to set up a subcommittee to get some questions answered and hire at their discretion. Committee is Carmel (lead), Dave, and Andrea. Board approves the hiring if the committee approves.

2nd by Don. All aye, except for Dave who abstained because used to be on the AHW board

We would like to get the contract in place and some money down on it by July 1st. Clint will start on an outline for a contract. We will send out letters to landowners, including a cover letter and stamped return envelope.

3. **Bondurant Dipping Vat:** Bob, Carmel, Clint and Andrea went up and met with Bondurant folks along with Forest Service representatives. Consensus is to move ahead with restoration. Need to get a plan to the Forest Service. Clint, Carmel, and Johnny Petersheim will work on that. Won't do as a volunteer project, will pay to get done. Need to raise some \$. Would be a great Centennial project for Bondurant. Some seed money from our board.

MOTION: By Dave to approve \$2000 in contract services from our board for the Bondurant dipping vat project. 2nd by Jonita. Unanimous, passes.

Johnny will come up with a ballpark estimate of cost. Clint will write up a plan outline.

4. **Big Sandy Lodge oral histories:** We will scan the family photo albums.

MOTION: By Bob we pay up to \$200 for shipping for pictures for Big Sandy Lodge.

2nd by Carmel. Jonita abstain, rest aye, passes

Lisa Copeland has ledgers from Big Sandy Lodge.

5. **Project Updates**

a) **Trappers Point Access Road:** The onsite for the project will be Monday, July 20th. Rio Verde will hire Dave Vlcek to do onsite archaeology work during construction. Should take about a week to do the work.

b) **Deadline Fire Lookout:** Bob went up and checked it out. One of the windows got pushed open and let some snow in. Bob will get the shutters, number them, and store. Roof needs a little paint. There is some shingle work to do.

c) **Prospect Peak fire lookout:** Bob commented he got an unofficial offer of helicopter use to haul supplies up for the roof. Coordinate with JP at USFS.

d) **Monument Ridge Lookout:** Still has snow. Access road needs fixed by Forest Service.

e) **Sublette County Centennial:** Committee appointed. Committee members are Mary Lankford, Tim Thompson, Debbie Woyciesjes, Todd Brown, Clint Gilchrist, Betty Fear, Janet Montgomery. Commissioners approved \$100,000 budget. Appointed Mindi Crabb to be the project coordinator, 3 year contract.

f) **Pinedale Skeletons testing:** Dave: Russ Nelson will provide some DNA recommendations.

g) **Big Sandy Irrigation PA:** Nothing new to report.

h) **Drone Project:** The BLM let a RFP for drone project work.

i) **Buckskin Crossing Grave Markers:** Don went out to look for the markers, can't find.

j) **New Fork Cattle Bridge:** Nothing new to report

k) **Fort Bonneville:** Nothing new to report

l) **Homestead Records:** Nothing new to report

m) **Sam Drucker memorial project:** Nothing new to report

6. **Dormant Projects**

a) **Skyline Theatre:** Nothing new to report

b) **Big Sandy Fish Das & Reservoir Enlargement:** Nothing new to report

c) **Beaver Slide:** Nothing new to report

d) **Green River Drift Fence:** Nothing new to report

e) **Picto-Petroglyphs:** Nothing new to report

7. **Other Business**

- Jonita commented that the National Register Traditional Cultural Property designation has really helped on the Drift lawsuit.

- Dave spent time with the volunteers at the Sublette County Visitor's Center to orient new hosts on area historical properties

8. **Next meeting** – Tuesday July 28 in Pinedale, Library, 3:00PM

MOTION: By Dave to adjourn, 4:36PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Dawn Ballou, Secretary

**Sublette County Historic Preservation Board
Certified Local Government (CLG)
Regular Board meeting – Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 28, 2020
Pinedale Library Board Room**

Board members present: Clint Gilchrist (President), Dave Vlcek (VP), Dawn Ballou (Secretary), Andrea Lewis, Don Schooley, Carmel Kail

Board members attending via Zoom: Jonita Sommers

Board members not present: Bob Beiermann

Meeting called to order at 3:15PM by President Clint Gilchrist

1. **Review minutes of June 23, 2020 meeting**

Carmel had a correction to h) Drone Project: The BLM let a RFP for drone project work. Suggested adding: Brigid Grund of Pinedale BLM sent an RFP for contract mapping work at Aspen Ridge to the BLM Wyoming State Office for approval and publication. She hopes the contract will be let and the contract field work done this year.

MOTION by Dave to accept minutes as amended. 2nd by Don. Unanimous, passes.

2. **Linda Kiisk** – State CLG Coordinator Letter of Introduction

3. **Big Piney/Marbleton grant:** We approved this at our last meeting. Contract was signed before the end of the fiscal year. We need to issue a press release and send out a letter to landowners. Would like to do this as a Centennial Project.

4. **Bondurant Dipping Vat:** Nothing new. We need to get a plan on it. Don't have a bid yet from Johnny with prices. Change to staff at USFS – JP gone now, but he is willing to help support the project and help keep it moving. USFS Big Piney District Ranger approved the project. Clint will start on a plan. Would like for this to be a Centennial Project.

5. **Big Sandy Lodge:** Lots of info scanned now and there are written histories.

6. **Project Updates:**

a. **Trappers Point road:** Dave: The County started working on the road yesterday. The make-shift road will be ripped and taken out of service. They will run some radio carbon dates on the bone found in the fire pit that was found. County will put geotextile on parking lot.

b. **Lookouts:** Need to paint Deadline. Shutters not long enough, will fix. Nothing new on Prospect LO.

c. **Sublette Centennial:** They will have a meeting tomorrow in Marbleton.

d. **Pinedale Skeletons:** Dave: Russ Nelson looked at reports and concurs with conclusion of blunt force trauma. Have contact for DNA work, but labs are shut down due to COVID-19. Dave will have cost estimates and contacts for our next meeting. Julie Morrell (owner of the bones) still ok with analysis.

e. **Irrigation PA:** Dave: Nothing new to report, slow down due to COVID-19. He will email SHPO.

f. **Drone Project:** Waiting for BLM to issue Request for Proposals.

g. **Grave Markers:** Don and Jonita went out to Big Sandy and marked site as best as could. Tied a white ribbon on the fence and got GPS coordinates. There used to be 3 sandstone markers.

h. **New Fork Cattle Bridge:** Nothing new to report

- i. **Fort Bonneville:** Nothing new to report
 - j. **Homestead Records:** Nothing new to report
 - k. **Sam Drucker projects:** BLM doing a Class III survey on Wardell Buffalo Trap site in the processing area. We'll see who gets the bid. Bids due by July 27th. Holden Hill site: Mike Beese will get the photogrammetry data and will take on trying to process. More and more of the signatures are sloughing off and being lost at the site.
7. **Dormant Projects**
- a. Skyline Theatre
 - b. Picto-Petroglyph Hunt Bull Ck
 - c. Big Sandy
 - d. Beaver Slide
 - e. Green River Drift fence
8. **Other Business**
- Garden of Heroes:** Commissioners looking for suggestions for our area/Wyoming. Ester Morris, Chief Washakie, Sacagawea, Lewis & Clark, Jed Smith, Jim Bridger, Kit Carson.
9. **Next meeting:** Tuesday, August 25, 2020, Marbleton Town Hall

MOTION to adjourn by Dave, 4:28PM

Respectfully submitted:
Dawn Ballou, Secretary

**Sublette County Historic Preservation Board
Certified Local Government (CLG)
Regular Board meeting – Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, August 25, 2020
Marbleton Town Hall, Marbleton, Wyoming**

Board members present: Clint Gilchrist (President), Dave Vlcek (VP), Dawn Ballou (Secretary), Andrea Lewis, Don Schooley, Bob Beiermann

Board members attending via Zoom: Jonita Sommers

Board members not present: Carmel Kail

Meeting called to order at 3:04PM by President Clint Gilchrist

1. **Review minutes of July 28, 2020 meeting**

MOTION by Dave to accept minutes as presented. 2nd by Bob. Unanimous, passes.

2. **Big Piney/Marbleton grant:** We sent out 58 letters. So far 16 yes, 3 no. Clint suggested we contact the 40 no response people directly. Perhaps add in some 1940 & 1950 properties? Andrea suggested a public meeting. Bob, Carmel, Clint and Jonita will divide up list of no responses and contact them. Thank you to Carmel for all her work into this.
3. **Bondurant Dipping Vat:** Nothing new to report.
4. **Big Sandy Lodge:** Lots of info scanned now but still more to do. All pictures done. Just need to finish paperwork.
5. **Grants – HAAF, Cultural Trust Fund, CLG.** Letter from new CLG coordinator. Bob commented that Prospect Peak might be more doable than Monument Lookout.
6. **Project Updates:**
 - a. **Trappers Point road:** Dave: Road is done. Spent 2-1/2 weeks monitoring construction. Found one hearth, 1 obsidian biface. Artifacts in mail to lab for radio carbon dating. Dave sent County a thank you.
 - b. **Lookouts:** Bob went up to Deadline and took shutters down, will find a way to seal snow out of windows. There is a little painting to do and a little roof repair. Workday? Sunday, Sept. 13, 10AM. Green paint. Bob has some shingles. Don't know what status is of Prospect or Monument Ridge lookouts. Prospect needs roof work done. Can't drive to it. Helicopter possibility. It is identical to Deadline lookout. Put together a plan to propose to Forest Service. Is Big Piney Ranger District aware we are interested in doing this? Bob will find out who to contact. Need to get Prospect LO on their radar and find out status of Monument Ridge LO project.
 - c. **Sublette Centennial:** They will have a meeting on Thursday.
 - d. **Pinedale Skeletons:** Dave: Still researching costs for DNA testing.
 - e. **Irrigation PA:** Dave: There is a meeting on Thursday, Aug 27th. He will report on it at our next meeting..
 - f. **Grave Markers:** Don will look for square markers and will take one down to Buckskin Crossing for William Hultz grave.
 - g. **New Fork Cattle Bridge:** Nothing new to report
 - h. **Fort Bonneville:** Nothing new to report. Deeds still on hold.
 - i. **Homestead Records:** Nothing new to report – will do a scanning session next fall. Question on

Des Brunett cabin up by Bondurant. Will check our records. Might be old schoolhouse.

j. **Sam Drucker projects:** (Wardell, drone, Holden Hill) Carmel will ask about status on bids.

7. **Dormant Projects**

a. Skyline Theatre – Nothing new to report

b. Picto-Petroglyph Hunt Bull Ck – Nothing new to report

c. Big Sandy – Dave: Some testing will be done in October.

d. Beaver Slide – Nothing new to report

e. Green River Drift fence – Nothing new to report

8. **Other Business**

9. **Next meeting:** Tuesday, September 22, 2020, Pinedale Library Board Room, 3PM

MOTION to adjourn by Andrea, 3:58PM, 2nd by Dave

Respectfully submitted:

Dawn Ballou, Secretary

Sublette County Historic Preservation Board – CLG
Regular Board meeting
Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2020
Pinedale Library Board Room

Board members present: Clint Gilchrist (Pres), Dave Vlcek (VP), Dawn Ballou (Sec), Don Schooley, Andrea Lewis, Bob Beiermann. Jonita Sommers and Carmel Kail attending remotely via Zoom.

Meeting called to order at 3:05PM by President Clint Gilchrist.

1. **Review minutes** of August 25, 2020 regular board meeting.
MOTION: By Dave Vlcek to accept minutes as present. 2nd by Don Schooley. Unanimous, passes.
2. **Survey Project:** 19 property owners have said yes. Discussion about having some board members contact other landowners they know personally and see if can get consent. Discussion about possibly having a public meeting this fall or early next year to let people learn more about the project. There could be a presentation about the early history of the towns. Jonita will start gathering some history info.
3. **Lookouts:** Deadline, Monument: Bob got some weather stripping for Deadline. He will put shutters up before winter and put on a new panel for the door. He called the Big Piney USFS Ranger Station about Prospect – wants to get it on their radar as a project and that we are interested in working on it and there are other volunteers interested in helping. It is in bad shape – needs a new roof. Their District Ranger is in Utah now and will be leaving, so there will be a staff turnover. We need their permission to start process to do a restoration plan. Carmel will work on a draft email. The road repair work up to Monument LO has been completed, can drive up to it now. Go up and see needs – plywood to close up?
4. **Graves:** Don will go out and put marker on the Buckskin grave. Jonita is doing some historical research to see if can find more information on specific graves.
5. **Wardell Buffalo Trap:** A crew of archaeologists was out last week to re-survey the site.
6. **Aspen Ridge:** Project to survey was let by BLM last week. A crew will be out in a couple of weeks to do the work.
7. **New Fork hearth:** Dave found a fire pit eroding from the bank of the east side of the New Fork River across from the park. Might be very old (prehistoric) or emigrant era. Important to examine it before next year's spring high water washes site away. It is on private land, Olsen property. Clint will contact Mike Olsen to see about permission to check it out next Saturday. Let WAS members know in case anyone wants to come out and help.
8. **Bondurant Dipping Vat:** Clint will talk with Johnny Petersheim about it.
9. **Project Updates**
 - a) **Big Sandy Lodge:** Nothing new on scanning
 - b) **Trappers Point Access Road:** Radio carbon dates in, 1,985 to 2,000 years old. Still waiting for bone date. Flootation results within 30 days. Dave is still working on his report.
 - c) Sublette Centennial: The Sublette County Historical Society is applying for a grant to hire historian Ann Noble to help with historical research.
 - d) **Pinedale Skeletons:** Dave emailed 4 labs about prices for DNA work. Only got one reply back. Thinks things are delayed due to COVID-19 shutdowns.
 - e) **Irrigation PA:** Bureau of Reclamation/SHPO Programmatic Agreement; want to make it easier for people to do routine maintenance on ditches without having to deal with Section 106 when

there is no new disturbance. Projects with Federal funding might have extra precautions required if a site found.

f) **New Fork Cattle Bridge:** On hold for now

g) **Fort Bonneville:** Clint will ask for a project update. Delays at state level due to maternity leave and COVID-19.

h) **Homestead Records:** Nothing new to report

i) **Sam Drucker projects:** Good progress on Wardell and drone. Nothing yet on Holden Hill.

10. **Dormant Projects:** Nothing new to report

11. **Other Business**

Possible new CLG board member: Dave asked Des Brunett if she wanted to be on the board, but she declined.

12. **Next meeting:** Tuesday, October 27th, 3PM in Marbleton.

MOTION: To adjourn by Andrea at 4:30PM

Thank you to Bob Beiermann for bringing refreshments!

Respectfully submitted,
Dawn Ballou, Secretary