

Grand County Wilderness Group Board Meeting

April 22, 2021 Zoom meeting 5:00pm

The following board members were present: Toni Wujek, Gary Piper, Steve Hennings, Beth Collins, Joyce Clair, Roxanne Singler, Ingrid Anderson, Monica Sandstrom

The meeting was called to order by President, Beth Collins

The Treasurer's report had been sent to Board members before the meeting.

Spring meeting: Beth will arrange the meeting for June 5, 2021, at 12:00 pm, at the pond in Fraser. She will fill out the necessary paperwork with the Department of Health to follow COVID rules. Members will be asked to respond and report if they have been vaccinated.

Fall meeting: This meeting will be held October 24, 2021, at the YMCA in the room under the Chapel if the room is available.

Winter meeting: This meeting will be held the third Sunday in February if we can reserve a room.

Discussion on the meeting with the Headwaters Trail Alliance, Forest Service, the Wilderness Society and the Grand County Wilderness Group which was held just before the Board meeting:

It appeared that GCWG members would fill out HTA forms needed for volunteering this summer. The Forest Service felt this was the best way to cover all volunteers under a volunteer agreement and insurance. Each member who volunteers will have to fill out the forms. The activities that we hope to do this summer were discussed. This includes cabin hosting at Monarch and Junco , registration boxes and being trail ambassadors. Trail maintenance will be done under the direction of HTA and will be coordinated by Steve Hennings. Possibly Joyce Clair will coordinate some informational hikes following the county's COVID rules at that time. This will be discussed at the Spring meeting. Our cabin plans will be presented to HTA if we have enough volunteer interest.

Monarch cabin: Hosting will begin on Memorial Day and cover Friday, Saturday and Sunday during the summer. We will not be issuing backcountry permits or

selling ANRA passes this year. Our job will be education. The HTA is starting a trail ambassador program and will have information to hand out at both cabins. If people show up to backpack, they will have to show their online reservation. Two or three people will be scheduled for each day.

Junco cabin: We will man the cabin every weekend starting July 4. Two people scheduled for each day. Beth will send an email informing members of our Spring meeting on June 5 and ask for responses about their willingness to work at the cabins this summer. Gary will set up a Google response on email.

Toni asked about the left over ANRA passes that GCWG had purchased. We will see if the Forest Service will buy them back or we may donate the money.

The GCWG board will meet next week on Thursday, April 29, 2021 with the HTA to discuss implementing these plans.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Clair, Secretary