



CHAFFEE COUNTY HERITAGE AREA ADVISORY BOARD MEETING AGENDA
Thursday, July 11, 2024 12pm-1:30pm
Methodist Room, Touber Bldg, Salida or ZOOM

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1. Melanie Roth – representing BV Heritage, 1/31/25	6. Andrea Earley Coen, Chair – representing Hutchinson Homestead & Learning Center, 1/31/25
2. Carolyn Poissant – representing Salida, 1/31/27	7. Art Hutchinson - Ranching interest, 1/31/25
3. Brandon Wolff - representing Chaffee County, 1/31/26	8. - Suzy Kelly - Town of Buena Vista; historic preservation, Ranching Interest, 1/31/25
4. Jo Reese - mid-Valley representation 1/31/27	9. Kent Wood - scenic Byway/ BLM Resource Advisory Council, 1/31/26
5. - Indigenous People's/ Cultural Heritage Education interest?	10. Wendy McDermott - Central Colorado Conservancy, 1/31/27
11. Bonnie Davis - GARNA Board member, 1/31/26	
12. at large/ S. end of County -	
Staff Member: Jason Marsden, GARNA	

*Attendance: Brandon, Art, Melanie, Jo, Carolyn, Andrea, Suzy,
Staff: Jason*

Agenda Items:

Welome Jo and Carolyn!

1. Review June Meeting Minutes (Andrea)

Passed w/ recommended revisions
Motion - Suzy
2nd-Brandon
AIFO - yes

2. TravelStories Update (Jason)

Google Map link was finally fixed today and our pins are added! Now we need the scripts. Jason has pulled together content on the visitor center in Poncha and the Salida Chamber, Christmas 1806 highway pull off. Still need to complete Chalk Cliffs overlook, BV Courthouse/ Midland Tunnels and Granite pin, where placer mining plaque is located.

Suzy has written info about Courthouse and Tunnels. Kent, Art and Wendy can help review Granite, and Kent, Art and Melanie can help review Chalk Cliffs.

Each site can only have 2.5-3 minutes of content = approx. 400 words. Can only have 6, spread out across the byway.

3. Byways Update

Brandon has been reaching out to CDOT about signage along the Byway. If not an 'advertisement', then don't need a permit, but there has been some ambiguity around 'advertisement'. There may be more strict regulation around signage on a Scenic Byway. Anthony Lovato is the contact. CDOT recently won a court case, but previous to that they had been somewhat kid gloved about how to handle these things and have been recently emboldened by this court case. On vs Off-site Premises also plays into these distinctions. This does not affect interpretive signage. Shouldn't impact the Chalk Cliffs Overlook. Need to refer to Corridor Management Plan regarding interpretive sign regulations.

We can have discussions in the future on the role CCHAAB can take on proactively making recommendations on what signs to have/ or not, to avoid having signage installations and then try to address after-the-fact.

This is one of Brandon's official duties within the County now, so he will be able to keep us in the loop of these issues.

4. SHF Grant Updates (Melanie)

No updates at this time, but still need to make updates to our list of nomination opportunities to pull out the ones that haven't been completed yet. Also need to event the county-wide survey to see if there are others we could add to our list to pursue. Maybe by this fall she can have a revamping of that listing.

Maybe we could do workshop with the CO Historic Preservation Office around their programs: grants, listings, nominations, local opportunities, etc... The state org would run the workshop. Lindsay Flewelling is the contact.

5. Other Business:

1. Kent - we're in Rocky Mtn District with BLM/ Royal Gorge Subdistrict: completed a Resource Management Plan for entire district; have a new District Director, ____ Mayes; worked toward a more comprehensive management of campsites and have changed the fee structure that is now bringing in more money, which is funding more comprehensive enforcement. Chaffee County has been one of the trouble areas, so they feel like they've been able to address that in a positive way.

2. Executive Committee process:

Andrea's term ends in January 2025 and she won't be renewing. Will begin a nomination process in August for Executive Committee Members to identify a new Board Chair, and also identify a Treasurer and Secretary, which we currently don't have.

Other members who's terms end in January are Melanie, Suzy and Art. They will consider their plans regarding renewal through this month to let us know in August their plan. This will help us know what type of recruitment we will need to do for filling board seats.

Deadline for this will be end of October.

-Next Mtgs:

August 8, September 12, October 10, November 14, December 12