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**DRAFT: Jefferson County Historical Commission  
Minutes of Regular Meeting- May 1, 2017**

The Jefferson County Historical Commission's February meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm by Chair, Cynthia Shaw. The meeting was held at the Jefferson County Administration and Courts Facility in the Westminster Rooms 1566/1567.

**Jefferson County Historical Commission members attending:** Deborah Andrews, Margaret Chapman, Richard Gardner, Lee Katherine Goldstein, Rita Peterson, Bonnie Scudder, Cynthia Shaw, and Leda Thaler. **Unexcused member:** Mary Lindsey.

**Staff attending:** Dennis Dempsey, Ronda Frazier, Doyle Harrison, and Sarah Rosenberg.

**Guests:** John Steinle, Dick Scudder, and Camille Roth.

**Chair Comments and Agenda Changes:**

- Margaret Chapman: Deadline for articles for *Historically Jeffco* need to be submitted to Ronda by May 15<sup>th</sup> for proofing. The magazine will be released at the annual Hall of Fame event on October 12, 2017. Please e-mail Margaret the status of stories by that date, if you will not be finished with your stories by the deadline. Include topic, length, number of pictures anticipated, and when you think the article will be ready. Margaret also stated that since Jeffco has a new brand, a story about the new brand and earlier logos will be included in "Historically Jeffco."
- Camille Roth gave a presentation on the late Judge Ellett N. Shepherd's photographic collection. Shepherd (1901-1965) was a Denver District Court Judge and an amateur photographer who won awards in the 1930s and 1940s for his photos. Roth is a Colorado native with a degree in photography. She attended an estate sale in 2008 and noticed a pile of photographs in the basement darkroom of the home. The photographs featured a variety of genres. She thought they were quite good and very interesting. She purchased most of the collection. She proceeded to research the photographer. Roth approached Denver Public Library and History Colorado; the photographs were featured in an exhibition at the Byers-Evans House in 2012. She brought her collection, which included approximately 50 black and white photographs, printed and matted, approximately 20"x30".

**Approval of April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 Minutes:**

On a motion by Lee Katherine Goldstein and seconded by Rita Peterson, the minutes were approved as written and will be filed in the JCHC records.

### **Correspondence:**

The folder was circulated.

### **New Business:**

- GIS Meeting with Barb Morey and Pam Harden from the GIS team: Dennis Dempsey, Cynthia Shaw, John Steinle, and Ronda Frazier met to begin to plan this project. A goal of this project is to create an electronic Jeffco History Map identifying the location of historic and cultural resources within Jefferson County. The Place Names database will be utilized as a referenced guide. All Jeffco Landmarks and State and National Register properties will be identified and located on the new digital history map. Also discussed was the possibility of adding a historic layer to Jmap, the County's current interactive mapping system. This would be a great tool for Jeffco employees, contractors, residents and visitors. Dick Scudder has offered to help with this project.
- Buffalo Bill Days: Cynthia and Rick are involved with this celebration.
- Kiosk and materials for the Symposium: Lee Katherine Goldstein presented the panels for displays, and a short discussion took place regarding planning displays for the Symposium.
- Updated calendar: Lee Katherine will send out the calendar around the same time as the agenda.

### **Staff Reports:**

- Ronda Frazier- Archivist- No report.
- Dennis Dempsey-
  - Budget Report Update: The current budget report reflecting expenditures.
  - Jefferson County Historical Commission Logo: Jefferson County is changing its brand, due to a change in philosophy. Cynthia will follow up on this to see if JCHC should become involved. Dennis will ask a representative to come to a meeting to discuss this.
  - Rancho Tranquilo Update: The property has sold and is starting renovation work. The contractor was asked to talk with the property ownership about applying for Jeffco Landmark status. The JCHC would like to tour the Rancho. It is not listed as a Jeffco Landmark, or on the State or National historic registers.

### **Committee and Task Force Reports:**

- **Historic Preservation and Landmark Committee:** Dennis Dempsey
  - Kessler Canyon: The representatives have been asked to apply for Jeffco Landmark status.
  - Meyer Award winners have been selected. The 2017 award will be given to Denver Parks and Recreation and the Denver Mountain Parks Foundation for their work on the Denver Mountain Parks.

- **Education and Outreach Committee:** Cynthia Shaw
- 2017 Symposium is sold out. The Symposium will be held Saturday, May 13, 2017, from 9:00 am-2:00 pm at the Timbervale Barn in Evergreen. Lee Katherine and John will set up
- **Publications Committee:** Margaret Chapman
  - Reported earlier.
- **Hall of Fame and Writers' Awards:** Rita Peterson
  - Buffalo Bill Cody and Bob Briggs will be honored this year.
  - No applications have been received for the Writer's Awards.
- **Administrative Committee:** Cynthia Shaw
  - A letter will be sent to the County Commissioners requesting that new commission members be appointed now for the vacancies on the Commission. Cynthia will write the letter.
  - There are some administrative changes occurring within Jefferson County Administration.
- **Friends of JCHC:** Leda Thaler
  - Leda Thaler is now on the account, but the checkbook has not been received and much paperwork is necessary to finalize this change.
  - Leda picked up 10 of the books on Chief Colorow to sell at the Symposium.
- **Special Projects- Judges Wall Committee:** Bonnie Scudder
  - The Bios are nearly done for 57 judges serving during the Election and Colorado Territorial Eras (1861-1876 and 1876-1967).
  - The \$3,000 budget should cover costs for displays of the Election Era Judges (District, and Jeffco and Gilpin County) and Colorado Territorial Eras.
  - Additional funds should be available to complete the project in the next budget cycle. The 1<sup>st</sup> Judicial District is funding this project.
  - Two maps (1862 and 1913) and two courthouse sketches will be displayed.

**Next Meeting:** Monday, June 5th from 2:00-4:00 pm at Jefferson County Administration and Courts Facility, Westminster Room 1556/67

**Adjournment:** On a motion by Rita Peterson and seconded by Lee Katherine Goldstein, the meeting was adjourned at 4:15 pm.

Respectively submitted,

*Bonnie E. Scudder, Secretary*