

**MEETEETSE MUSEUM DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF THE BOARD  
November 8, 2021**

President Larry Todd called the meeting of the Meeteetse Museum board to order at 5:08 p.m. at the Meeteetse Museums.

**Roll call:** Board members present were Pam Johnston, Jim Allen, Larry Todd, Lili Turnell and Mary Jane Luther. Lynn Sessions was absent. Interim Director Alex Deselms was present.

**Consent Agenda:**

Jim Allen moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Pam Johnston seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

**Citizens Open Forum:** None

**Additions to the Agenda:**

Ongoing:     Square  
                  Safe  
                  Audit  
                  Phelps/Belden Agreement  
                  Chairs

Lili Turnell moved to approve the agenda as amended. Jim Allen seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

**New Business:**

Election of Officers: Jim Allen moved to retain the current slate of Officers. Pam Johnston seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

**Ongoing Business:**

Square: This is the Credit Card Processing Proposal. Alex Deselms led the discussion. The board is favorable to purchasing the complete setup. Purchase will be postponed until next year before the Museum reopens after winter cleaning, to save on costs.

Safe: Alex Deselms has been researching safes and has found three under \$500. Pam Johnston has found a locking fireproof filing cabinet in the office. There is no key for the cabinet. Alex will check with a locksmith to find the cost of re-keying the cabinet. Depending on the cost, the decision to purchase a safe or use the file cabinet will be postponed.

Audit: Lili Turnell presented the results of the Audit by Whittle, Hamilton & Associates. The results of the audit were sent to the state by October 31, 2021.

Phelps/Belden Agreement: Lili Turnell presented some changes to the agreement after consultation with the attorney. She will be presenting the changes to the family but will need an extension to the timeline for approving the new agreement. Pam Johnston made the motion to grant an extension. Jim Allen seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried. All board members signed the Extension.

Chairs: Lili Turnell relayed that the Episcopal Church is also looking to purchase new chairs. If a design could be agreed upon by both entities, it might be more cost effective to place a joint order for better pricing and shipping.

**Committee Reports:** None

**For the Good of the Board:**

TCT has donated \$420 toward the cost of tanning the bison hide. The Museum received a general operating grant from the Wyoming Humanities for \$7500. Staff is applying for a Recovery Grant. The Museum Foundation can also apply for a grant on the Museums behalf. Foundation President, Louis Abarr is looking into it. Alex reminded the Board of the upcoming, joint meeting with the Foundation Board and Press Stevens, Thursday, November 18 at 4:00 p.m.

**Adjournment:** 6:07 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Jane Luther, Secretary  
Board of Directors