

**MEETEETSE MUSEUM DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE BOARD
March 10, 2026**

The March Meeteetse Museums Board Meeting was called to order by President, Joe Winkler at 5:00 pm at the Belden Museum,

Roll Call: Board members present were Joe Winkler, Mary Jane Luther, Lynn Sessions, Allen Doty, Maria Kluesner. Ashton Shepperson was absent. Museum employees Alex Deselms and Elizabeth Foss were present.

Consent Agenda: Lynn Sessions made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Mary Jane Luther seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Citizens Open Forum: None

Agenda Additions, Deletions, and Approval: Lynn Sessions made a motion to approve the agenda as modified, Mary Jane Luther seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

New Business:

Discussion was had about the purchase of a fire proof lockbox for executive session documents and personal museum documents, cost would be under \$50.00 from Amazon. Alex Deselms will purchase.

Ongoing Business:

Credit Card Payments: Treasurer Lynn Sessions suggested that we use auto pay on some of the museum invoices due to the board meeting later in the month to approve invoices, making them late. The documentation will still be the same and accountant approved. There are 4 credit cards (Alex Deselms, Elizabeth Foss, Gift Shop and Regular Business for the museum all have cards).

Lynn Sessions also stated that there has been some delay in communication with Nikki Blake, Lynn discussed our issues (quarterly reports and invoices) with Nikki and she has been improving since their talk.

Bank Signatories: Treasurer Lynn Sessions brought in the paperwork for new bank signatories (Joe Winkler, Maria Kluesner and Ashton Shepperson) to sign. Alex Deselms will drop off the signed paperwork at the bank.

Budget Workshops: Treasurer Lynn Sessions stated that we needed at least 2 budget workshops prior to final. First workshop is April 14, 2026 at 4:00pm and the second final workshop is May 5, 2026 at 4:00pm. Lynn Sessions will send out budget workshop paper work prior to April 14th meeting. She is waiting on mill levy final number from Terry Call and she also asked Alex Deselms and Elizabeth Foss to have all of their budget numbers ready.

Solar Tax Credit: Alex Deselms stated that she has been communicating with Creative Energy and she has applied for tax credit applications, could total up to \$25K in credit.

Belden Agreement: Alex Deselms has put in a new request for a 70 business days extension, she has been unable to speak with Lili Turnell or Ashton Shepperson. Mary Jane Luther made a motion to sign a new extension for the Beldon agreement, Allen Doty seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Building and Yard Maintenance: Alex Deselms stated that she had a person interested in shoveling snow, her name is Amy. She would be paid out of the gift shop, the same wages as they did for Crockett. She may want to volunteer for the garden.

Alex is still waiting on estimates for windows on the bank and she may have George seal windows then the painters could paint.

Alex also said that she was contacted by the Town of Meeteetse for Capitals Facilities Projects for the upcoming elections. We were asked to give a list of projects that we would like to see done at the museum. Suggestions from board were: new roof on bank, double pane all windows, have school fabricate signs for outdoor exhibits, (Allen Doty will check with Marshall and Louis if this is a possibility. Alex Deselms will check with WYDOT on signs to make sure we can update. Elizabeth Foss had the idea of redoing stucco and painting the main museum. Alex spoke with the structural engineering company to make sure that an extra AC unit on the roof was ok, they stated as long as it is similar to the other one, we should be good. She stated that the bank and the dark room were priorities. She is working on getting estimates and will have final numbers by the next meeting.

Committee Reports: None

For the Good of the Board:

Congratulations to Ashton Shepperson on her new baby.

Lynn Sessions for donating the new pamphlet display in the museum entry.

Mary Jane Luther spoke about the benefits of the solar panels helping with Big REA costs.

Adjournment: 6:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Maria Kluesner, Secretary
Board of Directors

