

**MEETEETSE MUSEUM DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE BOARD
June 9, 2026**

The June Meeteetse Museums Board Meeting was called to order by President, Joe Winkler at 5:02 pm at the Belden Museum,

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

Consent Agenda: *Allen Doty made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Ashton Shepperson seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.*

Citizens Open Forum: *None*

Agenda Additions, Deletions, and Approval: *Lynn Sessions made a motion to add to the agenda, Budget Hearing Date and then made the motion to approve the agenda as amended. Allen Doty seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.*

New Business:

Federal Home Loan Bank Agreement/Insured Cash Sweep Account

Lynn Sessions stated that she received an email from Kimberly Newman at First Bank about FDID Insurance on the museum account. If the museum account has over \$250,000.00 in the account, insurance would cost \$1000.00 per month per account. We could open Sweep accounts through Intrefy. Lynn has spoken with Nikki Blake and if money is spread out through three accounts (checking, savings and gift shop) we should not have any issues. It helps that the money from the county is deposited monthly. This will go into effect July 1st, 2026 and there will be a docu sign form sent out to members that are signatories.

A motion was made by Allen Doty to execute a release of the current Federal Home Loan Bank agreement/Cash insured sweep and sign the Intrefy agreement. Maria Kluesner seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Budget Submissions

Lynn Sessions stated that the proposed budget had been submitted to the State Auditor and Colleen Renner by the end of May.

Joe Asay will submit the budget by July 31st.

We will have a district budget summary sheet that will have to be filled in with budget numbers and then submitted to Colleen Renner.

Budget Hearing Date

The budget hearing date will be July 14th at 4:30pm at the Beldon Museum to adopt the final budget for the 2026/2027 fiscal year.

A notice will need to be posted a week prior in all local public places.

Lynn Sessions made a motion to set the Budget Hearing Date to July 14th, 2026 at 4:30 pm at the Beldon Museum. Allen Doty seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Historic Preservation Assessment

Alex Deselms stated that the Cultural Trust fund group would be here for an assessment on June 18th. They are the group that gave money for the AC and Lynn Sessions suggested that museum staff take them to lunch while they are on site for donating their time.

Ongoing Business:

WyoGives:

Alex Deselms reminded the board the WyoGives is July 15th and to make sure board members have called the people that they signed up for. Lynn Charbeneau is another community match but has not decided on the amount yet. Alex is contacting local businesses for potential matches.

Meeteetse 250:

Elizabeth Foss stated that the date is Monday June 29th and that the museum will be open from 3:30 to 7:00pm and that the Smithsonian Exhibit - One Nation, Many Voices will be onsite. The Bank will also be open from 3:30 - 5:00pm.

Building and Yard Maintenance:

Elizabeth Foss stated that she had assistance with the flower garden by the youth worker and a volunteer. She still needs mulch for the flower bed and Allen Doty said that he would be able to go and pick up mulch in Cody. She also spoke on the progress of the partial window installation and painting projects that have been on hold some days due to the weather.

Summer Programs

Elizabeth Foss spoke about needed volunteers for the Kirwin Tour, Joe Winkler is going to help with the DD Tour, Allen Doty is still waiting to hear back from the school on the reading of the Declaration of Independence and PBS movie screening. Elizabeth will also check with the senior center.

Beldon Agreement Extension

Alex Deselms has spoken with Lili Turnell and the agreement has still not been finalized, so Alex suggested another 90 day extension.

Lynn Sessions made a motion to sign the Beldon Agreement to extend for an additional 90 days. Ashton Shepperson seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Alex Deselms spoke on behalf of the Collections Committee (this committee decides on what exhibits should be at the museum) She stated that the group has been unable to meet in person, so a google form survey was sent out to the group, update on the sewing machine and typewriter on site, Alex thought the pieces were donated by they are only on loan, she hopes to have them for another year.

Alex is putting a moratorium on accepting more items for the museum. She stated that what we have on site needs to be gone through and unusable items need to be removed.

Allen Doty and Lynn Sessions have volunteered to be part of the Collections Committee.

For the Good of the Board:

After the meeting board members who have not had a tour will get one after the meeting.

Ashton Shepperson has volunteered to paint on the large window for the 250 celebration.

Adjournment: 5:52pm

Respectfully Submitted,

*Maria Kluesner, Secretary
Board of Directors*