MINUTES PWV ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING October 15, 2015 – 6:30 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Members present: Gerry Cashman, Mike Corbin, Jerry Hanley, Judy Jacks, Alan Meyer, Bob Meyer, Wendy Nicastle, Meg Parmer, Daryl Smith, Mike Smith, Kevin Cannon, Bob Hansen, Bob Manuel, Karl Riters, Jim Shaklee, Margaret Shaklee, Mark Snyder, Garin VanDeMark, Tom Adams, Wil Biddle, Nate Donovan, Jim Greuel, Roger Johnson, Shannon Keigan, and Jamie McCue.

AGENDA. The agenda was accepted as presented for the meeting.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS.

A) CHAIR MIKE CORBIN. Mike Corbin recalled we had a good year, with lots of patrols-973 individual patrols. Spring Training went well, with 48 new members--30 of whom had 6 or more patrols. Our financial reporting is in good order. We had no negatives this year; and Mike is pleased with the actions of the Board.

B) USFS REPORT. Kevin Cannon reported PWV put in 26,882 hours this year--a bit less than 2014--valued at \$618,000. PWV did well, having had no injuries, even with lots of trail projects and patrolling. *We could be stronger with contacts in the field*. Kevin showed a couple photo slides of big projects taking place on the North Fork Trail.

C) TREASURER'S REPORT. Treasurer Bob Meyer showed, on overhead, the income/ expense, and assets and liabilities, from January thru September 2015. He explained along the way and answered questions. He felt we had a good year, with plenty of available funds. He noted we have the website grant of \$4530.

Congratulations. Bob praised **Sandy Sticken** for the hundreds of hours she volunteered for three years as bookkeeper, doing an excellent job. **Sue Pauley** is the new bookkeeper, using the new QuikBooks we got in January this year. Bob is happy with how the books are organized this year.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

A) FUND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. Judy Jacks reported there are some new, good members added to the committee, namely, Ronda Koski, Jackie Picard, Fred Allen, Margaret Shaklee, Shannon Keigan, and Ashley Saveland. Its first grant was \$4530 for the website; and this year the team learned more about applying for grants. It expects a \$2000 grant from Walmart and \$5000 from the Clinton Family Foundation. This year, it plans a letter campaign seeking donations, and plans to develop ongoing income sources and look to ideas for crowd sourcing. Two of those are Amazon Smile and gift cards. The King Soopers' gift cards are moving quickly, and we may do the same with Safeway, and possibly REI which has a higher return. "Colorado Gives" will start in March 2016. It will work closely with the Endowment Committee on joint and mutual ideas.

B) ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE. Jerry Hanley, Bob Meyer and Mike Corbin serve on this Committee. The fund is now at \$42,579, and can accept grants when it reaches \$50,000--expected to be in 2017. Northern Colorado Community Foundation is managing the fund, and provides a website in that connection. The Backyard Party has been a really good fundraiser, but is very labor intensive. He explained future plans, and are looking into other venues; and will work closely with the Fund Development Committee.

C) TRAIL REPORTING COMMITTEE. Mike Corbin reported. The reviewers are very surprised to see some of the information contained in the trail reports. Some information is shown on reports on trails that were not even hiked, and there is plenty of other inaccurate information. The reviewers are trying to remedy the problems. Education of the members will be a part of producing accurate reporting. As well, mileage reporting had lots of errors. There were 773 reports reviewed (some were missed) with high error rates. He showed a slide with the error rates. Some mentors are not checking mentee reports or discussing the problems. Some new members did not do their first two mentee patrols prior to going on subsequent patrols, some of this because mentors/mentees may have cancelled and not arranged for substitutes to get the mentor hikes completed first. Mike Smith noted these problems and will be working on remedies at Spring Training in 2016. The Committee will be sending an Email to encourage patrols on holidays and other heavy days.

D) RESTORATION COMMITTEE. Mike Corbin stated restoration went well in spite of having lots of problems. Attendance was down. We had 495 work days, with 4285 hours, and got lots of difficult trail work completed. This coming Monday, they will work on plans for 2016; and will probably have fewer public days. Restoration work is a good recruiting tool, too. They did lots of work on North Fork, and hope to finish that in 2016. The finished portion of the trail is really beautiful. Highway 34 roadwork from Drake to the sand pit could be finished in October 2016.

The Annual meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. and the regular Board meeting followed.

October 16, 2015.

Meg K. Parmer, Secretary