

Friends of the Agua Fria National Monument  
**Cultural Resource Committee (CRC) Meeting**  
Tuesday, August 16, 2016  
Black Canyon City Heritage Center  
33955 S Old Black Canyon Hwy, Black Canyon City, AZ 85324

**MINUTES**

**Attendees:** Connie Stone, Chairperson  
Pete Reilly, Member  
Trudy Mertens, Member  
Peter Huegel, Member  
Mike Hoogendyk, Member  
Shelley Rasmussen, Member  
Mike Nushawg, Member

**Note:** The above committee members, along with Larry Kraft (Member), Jim Riggs (FAFNM Board Member) and Bob Cothorn (FAFNM Board Member), gathered at the Black Canyon City Heritage Center around 8:30am to 9:00am and cleaned, sorted and boxed FAFNM outreach materials until noon. They also assembled a rolling shelving unit and banker boxes to hold much of the material. Some of the material, along with a large, plastic, outdoor storage shed, were moved to an outside storage room at the center. The rest was stored in the rearrange office room at the center. Some material was set aside for the annual meeting and the 2016 Cordes Heritage Festival. There is still more cleaning and sorting that should be done in the near future.

**Call to Order:** Connie Stone called the meeting to order at 12:07 pm.

**Minutes:** The minutes of July 19, 2016 were approved as corrected.

**BLM Update:** There was no one present from BLM to give a report.

**FAFNM Board Update:** Pete Reilly gave the FAFNM Board Update. Major items are as follows:

1. **Board Nominations:** The Board will need to have a new secretary, treasurer and one director for the new fiscal year starting October 1<sup>st</sup>. The Nominating Committee report must be out to the members 30 days in advance of the Annual Meeting which should be in the next few days.
2. **Las Vegas NCL Rendezvous:** The Board is only sending one person to the rendezvous which will be held September 29<sup>th</sup> to October 2<sup>nd</sup> and that will be Tim Flood.
3. **FAFNM Financials:** The FAFNM treasury currently has approximately \$18,225 in cash as of July 29<sup>th</sup>.
4. **Monument Manager:** Jabe Beal is the new interim monument manager. There will be a permanent monument manager effective September 8<sup>th</sup>.
5. **Annual Meeting:** The meeting is scheduled for September 24<sup>th</sup> and will be at Horseshoe Ranch.
6. **BLM Volunteer Agreements and Insurance:** New volunteer agreements must be signed prior to October 1<sup>st</sup>. BLM recently distributed a sheet of FAQs which details how and when insurance coverage is available for volunteers. One highlighted aspect of the coverage is that BLM must have prior knowledge of the volunteer's intent to be on the monument. Failure to provide that advanced notice to BLM will negate any insurance coverage should the volunteer have an accident.
7. **AZG&F Rain Gauges:** On August 29<sup>th</sup>, AZG&F will be installing approximately 30 new rain gauges on the monument.

**Perry Mesa Area Archaeological Happenings:**

1. **Nothing New Presented.**

**Old Business:**

1. **Possible Fall Outreach with High Desert Heritage Museum (HDHM):** Shelley, Trudy, Bryan and Mike met again on August 10<sup>th</sup> with Bill Slankard, Director at HDHM, and Cliff Hersted from Arcosanti. Speakers, sponsors, tours and advertising are all underway and partially complete. Another planning meeting is scheduled for 9:00am on September 7<sup>th</sup>. Pete Reilly recommended contacting myradioplacement.com to let them know about the event. They will list it on their website.
2. **New Graffiti near Bloody Basin Entrance:** Bryan still needs to figure out when and how removal using Elephant Snot can be accomplished. He'll let us know.
3. **Ceramics Class with Scott Wood:** This item is still pending. There was no new word from Bryan on the status of it.
4. **Inventory of CR Equipment at Pete Reilly's Home:** In response to a request last month from Mike Nushawg, Pete presented an inventory of the equipment he has on hand that belongs to the Committee for their use in conducting mapping and surveying on the monument. A copy is filed with these minutes.
5. **Clean Up in the BLM9168 Area:** At last month's committee meeting, Bryan indicated he was going to check with Chris Gammage, a BLM OHV Ranger, to see if BLM had an agreement on file with "Tread Lightly", a group that works with non-profits volunteering to do clean ups. There was no new word on this today.

**New Business:**

1. **Pecos Conference in Alpine, AZ:** Everyone at the Committee meeting today except for Connie attended the Pecos Conference. We spent a few minutes letting her know what took place and about plans for the future of the conference.
2. **Possible Hike at Petrified Forest:** Chris Caseldine, Acting President of FAFNM, has been in contact with archaeologists at the Petrified Forest regarding a possible tour/hike by our Cultural Resources Committee. In response to their request for particulars on the type of tour we would like, the Committee agreed: A one day tour, during the week, 1<sup>st</sup> half of November, emphasis on 4-wheel drive, hiking less than 2.5 miles or so, targeting new prehistoric pueblos and rock art on the additions to the monument. We would probably have 10 to 12 participants at the most.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 12:55 pm.

**Future Activities**

2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursdays	6:30pm – 8:30pm	FAFNM Board Meetings at BLM Office
3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Cultural Resources Committee at Deer Valley Petroglyph Preserve
9/24/2016		FAFNM 2016 Annual Meeting (Location TBD)
9/29-10/2/2016		NCL Rendezvous in Las Vegas, NV
9/30-10/3/2016		URARA Conference in Delta, Utah

**Bryan's Planned Field Dates for Archaeological Surveys**

(None scheduled at the moment.)

**The next meeting will be at 12:00pm, Tuesday, September 20, 2016, at the BLM Offices on N 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Phoenix.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Michael J. Hoogendyk