



**MILLENNIUM DIGGERS  
ASSOCIATION  
Keizer, Oregon**



Secretary/Editor Penny Esplin

**\*PRESIDENT- Troy Ray\***

**\*VICE PRESIDENT- Christoph Schmidt\***

**\*TREASURER- Penny Esplin\***

**Meeting Minutes from July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021**

**Meeting Called to Order:** We met outdoors. After we recited the Pledge of Allegiance, Troy called the meeting to order.

**Attendance:** We had 8 members attend

**Treasurer's Report:** Penny reimbursed Troy with a check for \$116. for our reservation for Miner's Meadow.  
-Troy gave Penny a message from Barbara Ferguson wanting to know if we want to renew our Website Hosting account (Barb is our website host) and our Google Domain Name. We agreed yes to both. The web host fee is \$257.76 for 2 years and the Google domain name is \$24.00 for 2 years, totaling \$281.76. Barb will cover the cost and Penny will send her a reimbursement check.  
-According to our records, we have 17 paid members and 17 unpaid members. Unpaid members: Please attend our meetings and renew your membership!  
-Our checking account looks good. Penny made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as read, Terrie seconded and it was approved by all.

**Secretary's Report:** Troy read June's minutes. A motion was made, seconded and approved by all.

**Old Business:** Marlea will call Troy when the church's fellowship hall is open.

**New Business:** Website Hosting fee (see above in treasurer's report)

**Claims:** If anyone has been to any of our claims, **maintenance paperwork** needs to be filled out and given to Penny or Troy (?) or Claudia(?) **way** before the end of August!  
-Troy will supply maintenance forms

**Notice:** No access to our Jeeter claim, Little N Fork has been closed and will remain closed until further notice due to fire damage.

**Troy** brought to our attention that since we have been unable to access our Jeeter claim, and we need to file our Maintenance Waiver with BLM before Sept 1<sup>st</sup>, will the BLM give us any leeway because of that? Do we need to file an INTENT TO HOLD document with the BLM? He will talk with Claudia about this.

-**Bruler Fire Closure** is in effect on FS Road 11 (Quartzville Rd) from Green Peter Dam and up. Including the other end of FS Road 11 where it comes out on HWY 22 called Straight Creek Rd, is closed. As well as roads 2212, 1133, 1014, 1013 and any other roads within the 8-mile (or more) perimeter of the fire.

**UPDATE: Claudia is talking to BLM about our Jeeter claim. And is talking with Jared Richey and BLM about our Golden Diggers claim on Dry Gulch concerning the adjacent Bruler Creek Fire and smoke hazards.**

-Tammy and Wes told us about recent problems regarding the Northwest Mineral Prospector's Starduster claim on Quartzville Creek. They said last time their president went there, it was overrun by a group of claim jumpers, with all their own mining equipment laid out and threatening him like a "militia force"! He took pictures. Also, Tammy said, one of the rangers (Jared Richey's co-forest service partner (?), was actually assaulted by these thugs! They should be incarcerated for this VIOATION! *(I think something is being done about it -Penny)*

-So, if you want to press charges on anyone trespassing or in direct violation on your (and ours) claims, and you put up a camera, **YOU MUST FIRST POST A SIGN SAYING: ATTENTION! ON SITE VIDEO CAMERA IN USE!** . Otherwise, you cannot prosecute without this posted warning.

**Events/Outings: Upcoming:** The first Saturday in October (Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>), Tammy and Wes have another outing scheduled for Beverly Beach!

*And..These next events have already happened:*

-The STEAMUP was on July 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> and July 31<sup>st</sup> and Aug 1<sup>st</sup>

-Clackamas Co Fair was on Aug 17<sup>th</sup> thru 21<sup>st</sup> (Tammy and Wes had booth w/NW Prospectors)

-Rock Show in Rickreall was on Aug 21<sup>st</sup> thru 23<sup>rd</sup>

### **UPDATE:**

**Pot Luck at Don's on Sunday August 29<sup>th</sup>:** HAS BEEN **POSTPONED.** WVM members were planning to be there as well. We can discuss this further at next meeting.

**AND** Don says that anyone who wants to go up to his place is welcome **ANYTIME!**

**Miner's Meadow has now been reserved for Fri Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> thru Sun Oct 24<sup>th</sup>.** We discussed inviting WVM to join us there, A motion was made, seconded and passed. Yes, we are inviting WVM to join us.

### **Breaktime**

**After the break:** Troy gave us a wonderful summary on his recent trip to Cripple Creek, Colorado. He came equipped with his computer and slide show, a projector screen and souvenirs from his tour of the Molly Kathleen Gold Mine. And he relived his experience so well, we felt like we were there! Anyway, it sure made us want to go there! Thank you, Troy! What a fine job you did presenting this. You were really prepared.

**Good to the Order:** It was confirmed that Marlea Sheridan, and Ted and Ouida Staley are LIFETIME MEMBERS of our Millennium Diggers Association.

**Meeting Adjourned**

