

CANON CITY GEOLOGY CLUB
Feb 11, 2013
Methodist Church - Fellowship Hall
Minutes

President Jim Meacham chaired the meeting with 22 people in attendance, several attending for the first time. Erika Goodland gave a Treasurer's Report. There were no minutes to be read, as the Secretary was absent.

Jim suggested a fund raiser - selling small key-chain flashlights at \$2.50 each (making \$1.50 on each flashlight) with 'Canon City Geology Club' on the side. A motion was made by Kit Kederich to purchase 150-200 flashlights; Cynthia Nichols seconded the motion, and it passed. Jim will hold the order until the website is up and running. We hope to have the flashlights available for the next meeting.

Jim suggested changing meeting night from the second Monday to another weeknight to avoid conflict with city council, library, firemen and school meetings that also meet on the second Monday, and to make it easier for speakers to give talks to our meetings without having to take a personal day off work the next Tuesday (as taking a Friday off might be more appealing to them). As speakers are already scheduled for our May meeting, any change would take effect in June. Discussion followed. Bill Coyle moved that we change our meeting date to the first Thursday of each month, beginning with the June meeting. Natalia Gray seconded the motion, and it passed.

Cindy Smith and Jim spoke re the Dino Depot closing on March 3. Large specimens will be housed at the Royal Gorge Regional Museum and History Center, and other specimens will be held in a secure location. GPPS will continue to hold permits and will keep its federal repository status. Jim expressed his view that specimens should be put on display for the public.

A Cave of the Winds video was shown explaining the Williams Canyon geology and the history of the cave which opened in 1881 for tours. The cave was formed in limestone dating back to the Ordovician almost 500 million years ago, and the cave itself formed about 5 million years ago.

Jim is working on the website, taking it slow to be certain that we will be able to make updates easily.

Cindy detailed two scheduled speakers: Dr. Lou Taylor from DMNS will speak March 11 on Porcupine Cave, and Pete Modreski from the USGS will speak May 13 on the K-T Boundary. Flyers describing the March 16-17 WIPS symposium at Colorado School of Mines in Golden were available.

Minutes taken by Cindy Smith