

The hard drive on my laptop crashed shortly after Christmas. Everything is gone. Additionally I have had two surgeries on my lumbar spine and am experiencing limited mobility. I tried to reconstruct the minutes from our December meeting as best as I could. If you see errors please let me know and I will try to correct them.
Terry B.

**Post Rock Limestone Coalition
Meeting Minutes, December 15, 2020
By Reporter Terry Bailey**

The Post Rock Limestone Coalition conducted a meeting on December 15, 2020 via Zoom.

The meeting was called to order and the minutes were read and approved.

Treasure Jeannie Stramel reported the balance of the organization's account in the Bennington State Bank is \$54,924.

Christina Hayes reported that the organization has received donations from Great Bend and Lincoln.

Jeanie reported that the bank balance is larger than it was in September. There is between \$200 and \$300 in the original bank account. She is whittling it down and should have the account zeroed out by the end of the year.

A discussion followed about how to best compensate Jeanie Stramel for the work she does as the treasure. She manages at least seven grants that provide money to the organization. She performs all the bookkeeping for the organization. All the official Post Rock Limestone mails comes to Jeanie at the Grassroots Center.

Expenses expected for the new year are \$55,220 and anticipated income is \$56,780. The budget was voted on and passed.

Executive director Andy Stanton said the Post Rock field guide was "coming along." It will be 18" x 36" with pictures on one side and a map on the other side. Members are encouraged to send good pictures to Andy for possible inclusion in the field guide. He made a presentation to Humanities Kansas and they were very interested in our organization. Additionally, members are encouraged to send photos to Andy at kansaspostrock@gmail.com

Christina Hayes added she believes that social media has a very big influence on high school and college youth.

A discussion regarding fundraising rekindled interest in Post Rock Book Ends. These are small stone creations that resemble stone corner posts. A goal was to get someone to make them for sale. Also wall calendars were considered as a source of income. Five hundred calendars could be purchased for \$2650 or \$5.30 each.

Luke Mahin requested that our organization provide a letter of support for the concept of a Kansas-Nebraska National Heritage Area.

It was reported that the Tourism Department will be moved back to the Department of Commerce from it's current spot with the Parks and Recreation Department.

Brad Penka reported that Rush County received a grant to digitize pictures. He said Russel will be celebrating its 150th anniversary and suggested we have a presence at that celebration.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:37 p.m.