

Nye Gold Seekers – Pahrump Valley Museum  
General Membership Meeting  
February 20, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 14:05 by President Larry Tobey who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Welcome: Two new members in attendance

**Secretary Report: Gerri Richey** Upon a motion by Rick Nelson, Seconded by Billy Martin and carried the secretary's report was not read. The report was available for review at the meeting, and will be placed on the webpage.

**Treasurer Report: Jane Goodrow** Income \$426.00 Expense: \$2,047.92 50/50: January \$18.00, to date \$597.00. Expense includes payment of liability insurance. A motion by Rick Nelson, seconded by Monty Duarte and carried to accept the treasurer's report, subject to audit.

**Presidents Report: Larry Tobey** A moment of silence was observed in memory of Ken Johnson, husband of Events Director Bonnie Johnson. The 2016 budget has been established. January had discussions to change the order of memberships. The general membership meeting voted to go forward with observing the calendar year, and the February Board of Directors meeting determined the fee would be raised from \$35 to \$36, allowing prorating of the fees. Upon a motion by Rick Nelson, seconded by Johnny Miller the membership will be \$36.00 per year and will be prorated for this calendar year as memberships become due. New members will pay the additional \$10.00 set up fee, and all new memberships during the year will be prorated. NGS4 is the title of the claim and a map is available on the NGS website. Be certain you work our claim, not neighboring claims.

PGGMS update: The Chamber of Commerce is on board and will advertise and promote this event. Volunteers are needed to fill the 13 committees. To date, 9 gem and mineral vendors have signed on.

**Vice President Report: Don Franks** absent President Larry announces today's video is from the GPAA Gold Trails Series "Cube It or Lose It".

**Equipment Director: Monty Duarte** The rock crusher has been in use and bring only rocks that have the potential for containing gold, composite only. The machine can take up to fist size rocks. Call Monty for appointments to crush rocks. Monty explained the claim map available on the website, reminding membership to remain on the NGS claim. There are other claims in the area, as well as private property. Reference the map and be aware of where you are.

**Events Director: Bonnie Johnson** absent Marge Tracy announces for Bonnie the Chili Cook Off is scheduled for March 19<sup>th</sup>, the same day as the NGS meeting. Volunteers are needed for this one day event. Set up will be Friday. \$100.00 booth fee this year, 2015 profit for this event was \$124.00. After a discussion there was a motion by Rick Nelson, seconded by Jerry Spadt to waive the March meeting in order to participate at the Chili Cook Off. Motion carried. Other events coming up are the Wild West Extravaganza in May and the Fall Festival held in September.

**Graphics Director: Jerry Spadt** Jerry reminds us the snakes are out and have been seen at the claim. Be careful. Take plenty of water with you every time you venture to the claim.

**Inventory Control Director: Tim Lawrence** Tee shirts are on close out sale, and the club has other mining items for sale too.

**Membership Director: Pam Rothermund** Current active members are 152. January had one new and one renewal.

Today's attendance is 22

**Outings Director: Vacant**

Webmaster: Larry Tobey

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Raffles: New member #3948 John Taylor 50/50 \$26.00 #77743 Bob Benevitez, donated to NGS revenue.

Gold Bags: 1. #7843 Billy Martin 2. #7844 Billy Martin, donated back 2,a. #7711 Tim Lawrence

3. #7827 Gary Poe 4. #7860 Bill Fitzgerald

Motion by Rick Nelson, seconded by Bill Martin and carried to adjourn the meeting at 14:48.

Respectfully Submitted

Gerri Richey

Secretary, Nye Gold Seekers