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# CEO'S BOARD MEETING BULLETIN



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## DONATIONS TO SUPPORT MUSEUM AND NEW BIKE PARK

*Funding from Unclaimed Capital Credits Fund, Guzman Energy, and Clean Power Program*

The Board approved donations toward the North Park Pioneer Museum in Walden and the new bike park being constructed by the Town of Fraser.

A \$25,000 donation to the Pioneer Museum will go toward preservation and promotion of the cultural and historical heritage of North Park through the digitization of artifacts and the enhancement of exhibit lighting. Funding of the donation will be between the Unclaimed Capital Credits Fund – \$10,000 for the digitization project – and from the Clean Power Program – \$15,000 for the LED lighting upgrades. Museum representatives feel the upgrades will reinforce the museum's position as a cornerstone of Jackson County's identity and a growing summer tourist destination for visitors.

A commitment of \$25,000 annually over 3 years for the Presenting Sponsorship of the Fraser Bike Park will go toward construction costs. Funding will be split between the MPE's Unclaimed Capital Credits Fund and community sponsorship funds from MPE's new power provider, Guzman Energy. The free and accessible bike park will be in the Cozens Ranch Open Space adjacent to the Lions Pond. It will be a place for the community to gather and for recreation, as well as skill building and youth development.

The next time the board will review donation requests will be at the November 13, 2025, Board Meeting. Donation request submissions for that review are due by October 23. See [www.MPEI.com/donation-request](http://www.MPEI.com/donation-request) for the application form.

## Other Board Meeting Items

- The Board heard a presentation from Helen Brown, Executive Director of Sustainable Grand. She shared a general overview of the organization's mission, as well as 2025 updates and goals and strategies moving forward. Home energy assessments (available in Grand and Jackson counties) have increased, due in part to outreach initiatives and MPE's \$250 rebate. The "Grand Energy Saver" income-qualified program provides an additional \$100 off home energy assessments and pays for quick fixes and \$2,000 toward recommended weatherization improvements. For more information on this and other programs, visit [www.SustainableGrand.org](http://www.SustainableGrand.org). MPE is also partnering with Sustainable Grand for workforce development initiatives as a part of MPE's New ERA Community Benefits Plan.
- The August 14 Board Meeting will be held at the Kremmling Area Chamber of Commerce (203 Park Ave. in Kremmling) starting at 8 a.m. The September 11 Board Meeting will be held at the Jerlin Wattenberg Event Center (686 JCR 42 in Walden) starting at 10 a.m. Area members are invited to attend and participate in the Member Comments portion of the meeting, which usually occurs within the first 20 minutes of the meeting.

*The Board Meeting Bulletin summarizes highlights from the recent MPE Board Meeting. MPE Board Meetings are open to the public, and agendas, minutes, and more information can be found at [www.mpei.com/board-meetings](http://www.mpei.com/board-meetings) or by contacting [memberrelations@mpei.com](mailto:memberrelations@mpei.com).*