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Record Book

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GMD: Organization record

Textual record

Date Range: 1924-c.1930

Physical Description: 1.5 cm of textual records (1 volumes; 13 x 20 cm)

History / Biographical:

In the 1920's, Banff experienced a steady increase in tourism. This was based on a number of factors, including the introduction of the automobile in the park, the completion of the Banff-Windermere Highway and other roadways, additional accommodation (e.g. campgrounds), and the Canadian Pacific Railway's "Canadian Pacific Rockies" tourist campaign. Local prominent townspeople began to seek more say in the way their town was governed, and thus created organizations like the Banff Advisory Council and the Rocky Mountain Park Liberal Association. Issues around park boundaries, campgrounds, and park services employees' priorities were particularly important to Banff locals during this decade.

Scope & Content:

Item consists of a bound green record book, H20 x W13 cm. The record book, with "Records" printed on the cover, is comprised of numbered lined pages and contains meeting minutes and membership lists for the Rocky Mountain Park Liberal Association from March 13th, 1924 to circa 1930. Minutes pertain to different types of meetings: general and executive. Contents pertain to various topics, including the creation of the Association and membership, provincial Liberal candidates, electing members for the Association's executive committee, concerns about who was being appointed to park services, employment in the park, advocating for the dismissal of Jack Warren (a park warden), and park boundary issues.

Notes: Created by the Rocky Mountain Park Liberal Association.

Dave White originally had the lease for 222 Otter Street and transferred the lease to Sam Armstrong in 1915, who had it until 1927. Sam Armstrong was a member of the Rocky Mountain Liberal Association.

Membership included representatives from Banff, Canmore, Exshaw, and East End. Meetings were generally held at the Mount Royal Hotel in Banff

and the Canmore Hotel.

Most of the minutes were taken by W. Alexander and James Smith, who both acted as secretary at some point in the Association's history.

Name Access: Brewster, Jim

Armstrong, Sam Atkin, Gilbert M. Crosby, Lou

Alexander, William A. (Bill)

Warren, Jack

Subject Access: Banff

National parks and reserves

Organizations
Park policy

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Geographic Access: Banff

Alberta

Banff National Park

Calgary

Canadian Rocky Mountains

Canmore Exshaw

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Government

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