Historic Preservation

Meeting Minutes August 18, 2022



Chair Bret Johnson called the meeting to order at 1804.

- Quorum present
 - Bret Johnson, Chair; B. Travis Wright, Vice Chair; Susan Meade, Commissioner; Jeremy Kaiser, Commissioner
 - Jasper Webb, absent
- · Demolition Applicants in Attendance
 - James Hesterly and Kyle Matthews (DMO-22-3, HPC review)
- Members of the public in attendance
 - Cathy Valen interested applicant for the vacant alternate position
- Staff Present
 - James Shrout, HPC Secretary and Liaison
 - Robert Gutierrez, Director of Community Development

Meeting Minutes Approval

- July 14, 2022
- Susan Meade stated that her last name has an "e" at the end of it.
- Susan Meade corrected the misspelling of Cathy Valen's name.
- Susan Meade requested change to the Discussion section regarding Thorn Lake School

Chair Johnson asked for a motion to approve the July 14th, 2022 meeting minutes as corrected. Susan Meade made the motion and was seconded by Vice Chair Wright. Motion was approved unanimously.

New Business

- Cathy Valen gave a brief introduction of herself and her interest in historic preservation.
- Chair Johnson requested that Cathy send her letter of interest to Sharon Cate.

Demolition Application Review

- Chair Johnson reviewed Section 9 of the ordinance for the demolition application of 997 Pactolus.
- HPC Liaison reviewed the application with the the Commission and the applicants.
- Chair Johnson reviewed the eligibility criteria
- Commission spoke of the unique characteristics of the residence and wanted to know more about the history of ownership.











The Commission spoke about the ordinance regarding issuing a stay of demolition on the
property for 45 days and Chair Johnson asked for a motion. Commissioner Meade moved to
make the motion, Jeremy Kaiser seconded the motion and the stay of demolition was approved
unanimously for 45 days so that further information could be obtained and reviewed again at
the September meeting.

Staff Updates

- Liaison James Shrout spoke about the upcoming Fritz Peak Observatory Public Hearing for designation eligibility.
- Liaison James Shrout stated that the site visit is scheduled for August 31, 2022 at 1800 hours.
- Liaison James Shrout spoke about the update regarding Thorn Lake School and what will be happening moving forward
 - Ryan Keenan, Facilities Director will be releasing an RFP in the coming months for the foundation work
 - A survey of the property will need completed prior to the RFP.

Other Discussions

- Bylaws for HPC will be presented to the BoCC soon for final approval and if approved will be recorded with the Clerk and Recorder.
- Chair Johnson is able to sign documents digitally.
- Talks about reaching out to HistoriCorps and if there are funds we could tap into.
- Vice Chair Wright spoke about being a certified drone pilot and had the capacity to take aerial photographs of Fritz Peak.

A motion to adjourn was made by Vice Chair, Wright. Commissioner Kaiser seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn was approved unanimously. This meeting closed at 1855.

These meeting minutes have been by the Gilpin County Historic Preservation Advisory Commission on September 15, 2022.

Bret Johnson, HPAC Chair

James Shrout, HPAC Secretary and Liaison

