



Historic Preservation

Meeting Minutes

14 July 2022

Chair Bret Johnson called the meeting to order at 1810.

- No Quorum was held, but the following individuals were in attendance virtually:
 - Chair Johnson
 - Vice Chair, B. Travis Wright
 - Commissioner Susan Meade
 - Commissioner Jasper Webb
 - James Shrout, County Planner and HPAC Secretary/Liaison
 - Robert Gutierrez, Director of Community Development
- Absent from the virtual meeting:
 - Commissioner Jeremy Kaiser
 - Commissioner Kaiser sent an email on 13 July 2022 stating that he was unable to attend the meeting scheduled for 14 July 2022

Agenda Revision

- CDOT

Meeting Minutes Approval

- *Quorum for April and May Meeting Minutes*
 - April 21st Meeting Minutes - Approved with conditions
 - Vice Chair Wright made a motion to approve April 21st meeting minutes with the condition that it is amended to reflect the accuracy under New Business A (states that Vice Chair Wright made a motion and seconded the motion). This motion was seconded by Commissioner Webb. Moved to vote and approved by the Commission.
 - May 19th Meeting Minutes - Approved
 - Vice Chair Wright made a motion to approve the May 19th meeting minutes, Commissioner Webb seconded the motion and this was moved to vote and approved by the Commission.

Chair Johnson observed and stated that there were no members of the public in attendance of this meeting. No public comment.

New Business

- *Formal appointment of Secretary and Liaison*
 - Vice Chair Wright made a motion to appoint James as the Gilpin County Historic Preservation Commission's Secretary and Liaison. Commissioner Webb seconded the motion. This was moved to vote and was approved unanimously.





Chair Johnson stated that he has spoken with the Fire Chief, Paul Ondr and was able to access the building. Chair Johnson stated that he has had discussions regarding the proposed addition to the property for a truck bay on the south end of the building and how the Commission will look at this project.

Director Gutierrez requested that James reach out to Chief Ondr for a copy of their plans and forward that to members of the Commission.

Commissioner Meade asked if there were plans for the items that were still in the building.

Director Gutierrez asked James to reach out with those questions.

Chair Johnson stated that he has provided Chief Ondr with Sue (Susan) Wahl's contact information. Chair Johnson is under the impression that the artifacts and paperwork left behind in the observatory will be kept.

Director Gutierrez asked if anyone would be interested in a site visit. Commissioner Meade stated that she had been in the building during an open house. Commissioner Webb stated that she would be interested in a site visit. Jasper stated that she would need plenty of advanced notice for a site visit during the work week. James stated that he would reach out to Susan Wahl about joining the Commission for the site visit.

Chair Johnson indicated that the fire department is learning more about the building as they progress.

Commissioner Meade spoke about a magazine article from Fence Post Magazine about a barn that Larimer County bought in their open space to restore and that they were partnering with HistoriCorps. Commissioner Mead wanted to know if we could partner with them for the Thorn Lake School or the Moffit Tunnel Cabins. Commissioner Meade knows that this is run by a group of volunteers. Director Gutierrez request that James make contact with them to learn more information.

Director Gutierrez spoke about collaborating with Central City and their historic preservation to work collaboratively on preservation projects.

Director Gutierrez then spoke about the hurdles and obstacles with the Community Development and how to we can move forward and shift more focus to HPC.

Vice Chair Wright made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Commissioner Mead. This motion went to a vote and was approved.

Meeting adjourned at 1852.





- *Redtail Cabins Site Visit*
 - Next 4-6 weeks on the calendar to see the Redtail Cabins with the Gilpin County Board of County Commissioners.
 - Discussed that field trips were typically done on a Saturday and in the fall.
- *Advertising for a new Commissioner*
 - Commissioner Mead stated that she spoke with Adam (Pause) owner of the feed store in Nederland and that while he was interested in the role, he did not have the time.
 - Commissioner Mead stated that she spoke with her neighbor, Kathy Vallen, who is very interested in being part of the Commission. Commissioner Mead stated that Kathy is very knowledgeable about the area.
 - Cathy Valen 303-807-7473 lives on South Beaver Creed Rd.
 - It was discussed that we have all 5 (five) members of the Commission and would be seeking an alternate. It was then discussed that Susan was the previous alternate until she moved into a member role when the previous Commissioner resigned.
 - Chair Johnson stated that Kathy would need to write a letter of interest. Vice Chair Wright stated that she would submit that to Sharon (Cate). Director Gutierrez stated that she could send the letter to us (Community Development) and that we would move forward with speaking to Ray (County Manager Rears).
 - Commissioner Mead then stated that she would reach out to Kathy with further information.

Staff Updates

- *Thorn Lake School*
 - Director Gutierrez will follow up with Ryan, Director of Facilities regarding the foundation for Thorn Lake School.
- *Electronic Participation Policy*
 - Reviewed by County Attorney and will go before the BoCC in the coming weeks.
- *CDOT*
 - Project on US40 in Jefferson County in which they want to remove a fence and install a new wildlife crossing fence.
 - Rob will send out for review as they would like comment before 1 August.
 - Any comments will be submitted by Director Gutierrez.

Other Discussions

Rob discussed that the Community Development Department has been busy with building permits, a new fee structure and short term rentals. Rob discussed that the County is in process of interviewing for the open finance role in which once that person is hired, we will have a better understanding of the budget for the Commission.

