

**MEETING MINUTES OF THE
Gilpin County Historic Preservation Advisory Commission (HAC)**

May 21, 2009

The Gilpin County Historic Preservation Advisory Commission convened in the Gilpin County Justice Center, 2960 Dory Hill Road, Central City, Colorado.

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7:04 p.m.

Quorum Call:

Present: Chair Rick Newman, Chair Pro-tem Linda Jones, Secretary Colleen Stewart, Steve Staneff and Barbara Thielemann.

Also present: Joeseeph Saldibar, Colorado Historical Society, OAHF and Historic Advisory Liaison Ray Rears

Absent: Debra Krause (excused)

The April 16, 2009 meeting was resheduled to today because of heavy snowfall.

Welcome: Barbara Thielemann was welcomed as the newest member of the commission.

Public Attending: 0

Agenda Review: No Changes

Minutes: Jones moved to approve the January 15, 2009 minutes with a minor grammatical correction, seconded by Staneff and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Old Business:

Local Tax Review 7:11 p.m. - 8:19 p.m.

Saldibar provided a brief overview of the local tax review program. A discussion ensued regarding the following:

- ◆ That the application fee is required to be dedicated for historic preservation purposes.
- ◆ May increase the number of tax credit applicants in the County since they would no longer have to go to the state.
- ◆ Interior and exterior improvements can apply for this credit.
- ◆ The HAC would be the review entity for the tax credits.
- ◆ General administration questions.
- ◆ That the County should be proactive in giving residents an opportunity to apply.
- ◆ Concerns about additional demands on staff.
- ◆ Greater direct local administrative assistance would be provided than what could be provided by the State.
- ◆ The areas where the tax credits would not be available including any digging.
- ◆ The commission would only be certifying that the project is inline with the Secretary of Interior Standard, not that all the costs tax deductible. The owner of the property is liable for any false statements on their personal income tax form.
- ◆ Must be a landmark to apply.
- ◆ Historic regulations and requirements may conflict with local fire and building codes.

New Business:

Historic Preservation Ordinance Discussion

8:15 p.m. - 9:04 p.m.

Rears presented a brief general comparison of the existing ordinance and the areas where new regulations should deal with in some manner. A general consensus was agreed to keep the regulations as simple as possible and separate out the areas that may confuse the reader.

Colorado Preservation Inc. Conference

The Central City Opera was being recognized the same night of this meeting. It was suggest to send them a congratulatory letter to support their efforts.

Promoting Historic Preservation Locally

Newman noted that a plan of action is needed, prior to involving the school district or the Recreation Department. Newman requested that this topic remain a future agenda item as a means of updating everyone on the progress.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the HAC, Stewart moved to adjourn, seconded by Jones at 9:27 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is set for July 16, 2009. Both Newman and Thielemann indicated a conflict with that date.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Newman
Chair