

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

July 17, 2012

The Gilpin County Historic Preservation Advisory Commission convened in the Gilpin County Library, 15131 Hwy 119, Black Hawk, Colorado.

Public Attending: 0

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7:06 p.m.

Quorum Call:

Present: Chair Bret Johnson, Chair pro-tem Linda Jones, Secretary Barbara Thielemann, Rick Newman & Herman Gaines, Alternate

Absent: none

Also present: Historic Advisory Liaison Ray Rears

Agenda Review: Staff added the resignation to the commission to the agenda and vacancy notice.

Minutes: Newman moved to approve the June 19, 2012 minutes as corrected, seconded by Jones and the motion was unanimously approved.

New Business:

Bald Mountain Cemetery

The commission discussed the cemetery as assessed during their visit. Newman described the cemetery problem was primarily with the fallen trees and felt it should be the work of Public Works and not that of the commission. Other members supported that comment suggestion. Thielemann suggested a cleanup may still be useful to pick up the smaller items left in the cemetery. Jones commented that some of the smaller items may not be trash, but may be placed in the cemetery for a reason. The commission agreed to suggest that County staff clear the cemetery of the trees first.

The Commission did suggest signs posted at the entrances to the cemetery prohibiting mechanized equipment and horses after witnessing a few horses being ridden through the cemetery during their visit. They stated visitors should be more respectful of the cemetery. Newman moved to respectfully request Public Works to perform annual maintenance since they have the expertise, equipment, seconded by Jones and the motion passed unanimously.

Vacancy

Rears informed the commission that Ken Reed has resigned due to his health. Advertisements to fill the vacancy this have been placed. The commission expressed their gratitude for his service.

Tour Discussion

The commission discussed the tour and the sites visited, such as East Portal, Baltimore, Lump Gulch, Nevadaville and the Bald Mountain Cemetery. Those that attended found the tour very helpful and enjoyed that the local *Weekly-Register Call* reporter also came along.

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Old Business:

Thorn Lake School:

Johnson requested an update regarding the grant request. Rears stated that he has not completed the grant application requesting a structural assessment of the building and site.

Public Comment: none

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the HAC, Jones moved to adjourn, all in favor at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bret Johnson
Chair

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