

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

August 18, 2015

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

Public Attending: 1

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Quorum Call:

Present: Chair Bret Johnson, Rick Newman, Deon Wolfenbarger & Robert Hatch (alternate)

Absent: Chair pro-tem Linda Jones and Secretary Barbara Thielemann (excused)

Staff Present: Historic Advisory Liaison Ray Rears

Agenda Review: No changes

Minutes: Newman moved to approve the April 21, 2015 minutes as corrected seconded by Wolfenbarger and the motion was unanimously approved.

Old Business:

Oral History - Discussion

Newman informed the commission that the oral history project failed to gain traction. He has plans to work with Ken Reed and record stories of people they know in the community. Rears confirmed that some people were interested in the project but the commission needs one person to handle this important project. The commission discussed getting a plan in the works for next year's fair.

Nevadaville Historical Survey - Certified Local Government Grant:

Rears informed the commission that the project is essentially complete. A copy of the report was presented to the commission. Electronic copies of the report will also be available. Rears indicated that he would attempt to setup a drop box to relay the report to the commission.

Bald Mountain Cemetery -

Rears reported that the work on the six head stones has started and the project will be complete by fall. The plaque has been ordered and installed at the entrance of the cemetery. Rears has requested the consultant inform the county and local media when the headstone will be reinstalled so as to promote the effort.

HAC Tour 2015 -

The commission discussed holding their rescheduled tour. It was determined that the tour would be held on Saturday October 3rd at 9:00 a.m. with everyone meeting at the Courthouse. The tour will be focused on Nevadaville as suggested by Wolfenbarger. Johnson suggested visiting the Thorn Lake School original site briefly as well. It was later discussed to hold the next meeting at the same time in the Courthouse and then doing the tour after the meeting





Central City Historic Projects - Update -

The County just received word that the Belvidere Theater Historic Structure Assessment grant was awarded. The total project cost is \$15,000 with the required match coming from Central City. Work is expected to start in the next few months.

<u>U.S.F.S</u> / Colorado D.R.M.S – Perigo Mine – Comment Requested

Rears provided the information forwarded to him by the Forest Service. The Colorado Division of Reclamation of Mining & Safety in partnership with the Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests is proposing to reduce or eliminate the water quality impacts from the mine drainage flowing out of the tunnel of the Perigo Mine. The project boundary includes four identified sites Perigo Mine (5GL.53.4), Perigo Town site (5GL2229), Upper tunnel (5GL.2230) and access road (5GL.2231). The first two of these four sites are recommended for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places. The commission reviewed the proposal and discussed the resources. Concerns were raised in regard to site 5GL.2230 which references archeological resources but does not find them significate under the archaeology criteria. The commission also thought a scope of work and illustration of work area would be helpful. Other non-historic review concerns were raised relating to ownership, neighborhood involvement, emergency plan and grading plan for the site. Newman moved to consider the submittal as incomplete and requested additional time to review the proposal as an interested party, seconded by Wolfenbarger and the motion passed 4-0.

Rears confirmed that he would send the site forms via email and requested the commission complete their review by the end of the week and forward comments back to him. Rears would then relay those comments back to the Forest Service and Colorado DRMS.

Public Comment:

Doug Lupo attended the meeting so he could learn more about the County since he is considering running for County Commissioner.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before HAC, Wolfenbarger moved to adjourn, all in favor at 8:34 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled of Saturday, October 3rd at 9:00 a.m..

Respectfully submitted,

Bret Johnson

Chair

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Located in the Historic County Courthouse 2nd & 3rd Floors 203 Eureka Street Central City, Colorado August 21, 2015

Ron Archuleta Acting Forest Supervisor 2150 Centre Avenue, Building E Fort Collins, CO 80525

Re: Perigo Mine Clean-up Project – Section 106 Review – File Code 2360

Dear Mr. Archuleta:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on your proposal as required by the National Historic Preservation Act, due to our Certified Local Government designation granted to us by the U.S. Department of the Interior on March 23, 2006. After review of your proposal by the Gilpin County Preservation Advisory Commission (HAC) on August 18, 2015, the HAC provided the following comments:

The HAC found the submittal incomplete and is requesting additional time to review both your initial submission and additional information requested below, as both the CLG and as an interested party. The comments raised during the discussion last night include the following:

- 1) Site 5GL.2230 references archeological resources there but does not find the site significant under classification D Archeology. Additional justification is requested when there seems to be potential that the site "may be likely to yield information important to history".
- 2) Illustration showing where the improvements will be located in relation to the historic features is requested.
- Full project scope of work delineated into stages and sketches.
- 4) A jointly scheduled site visit.

Additionally, in relaying the HAC comments as they relate to historic preservation this office would like to know more regarding the following:

- Site ownership confirmation ensuring all the work would be entirely within the defined parcel boundaries, including the likely unknown increase of flow rates off site.
- 2) Confirmation that neighboring owners have been or will be notified of this project.
- 3) Emergency plan in case of unexpected flow rates exceeding expected project design capacity below the mine.
- 4) Grading of the site, including removal of material or hauling in of material specifics and the design to restore the riparian area, roadways and creek as well as the project proposed timeline.

Sincerely

Ray W. Rears

Gilpin County Planner & Historic Advisory Liaison

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Bret Johnson, Gilpin County Historic Preservation Advisory Commission
Roger Baker, County Manager
Board of County Commissioners

Reading File