

Minutes of the Historic Preservation Commission

July 16, 1998

Members Present: Mitch Evans, Laura McClow, Mac McGraw & Lyda Hardy.

Old Business:

The minutes were corrected and approved. Mitch sent a letter to the lady in Texas about the house on the way to Mt. CB. He has not heard back from her.

New Business:

Mitch now has a web page address for us. It is 'WWW.ci.gunnison.co.us/HPC.htm'. We will be working on adding the photos of the registered sites to it.

Molly Minneman sent Mitch some information on a mine reclamation program from the Division of Minerals and Geology. They wanted surveys sent in on the mines in Gunnison County to be able to have funds available to preserve the buildings and significant equipment left at the areas. Laura started working on this immediately because the deadline was soon!

Mac reported on a school building on Frank Buffington's property that needed to be discussed. He found out that it was the Fairview School from about the 1880's, and something needs done about it. He will find out more since the board agreed that it should be preserved! At this time, he didn't know if it has to be moved, or just repaired. So, he will be checking on that.

Mac also suggested that we try to get everything listed that we can. He listed a few sites such as the Wild Horse trap, the Union Park graves, the Scenic Byways and the Tenderfoot dig.

The Smith Opera House is not going to be the home of Six Points. They had to be moved by Sept. 1 to receive all of their funding. The prospective buyers are looking into what kind of funding is available, and how to work with the City and County on getting it on the register.

Mitch reported that Janice found out about the Income Tax Credits available to property owners. There is a 20% credit on the State Income Tax return, and some credit on the Federal also.

The criteria for these is that they have to be on the local register, along with the proper papers filled out.

Bin Items:

The next regular meeting will be August 20, 1998.

There will be quarry tours on July 25th, meeting at the museum at 9:00 am.

Mac will try to arrange a trip for us to see the old school house up Ohio Creek.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR AUGUST 20 MEETING:

1. Plan schools field trip
2. Work on web page
3. Review CHS "Colorado 2000 Preservation" goals