

Minutes of the Historic Preservation Commission

March 18, 1999

Members Present: Mitch Evans, Lyda Hardy, Ruth Dolezal &
Mac McGraw

Guests Present: Larry Dolezal

New Business:

Everyone welcomed Ruth as a new board member. Kathy told about David Primus being newly appointed, but he could not be here due to a prior commitment.

The next item talked about was election of the Chairperson. After some discussion, Mac made a motion to have Mitch continue as Chairperson. Lyda 2nd the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Kathy will get the nomination forms updated, and supporting documents required with all the new names and phone numbers. We also agreed on meeting times to be at 5:15pm, so not to conflict with other departments.

Ruth volunteered to add certain 'historic' facts to her column as we need her to. Also, everyone agreed that when we need to have articles published, we should use the Shopper to have the most readers see it. We all discussed having more publicity to encouraged the public to get involved.

Also, we talked about working on more nominations. Kathy will call Ray Rossman, who works for the Forest Service, about taking a form for the Union Park Graves. Mitch suggested we invite him to one of our meetings.

Another idea is working on the Old Spanish Trail. We could encourage the Trails Commission to work on that, and maybe publicize it to encourage the public to use it as a hiking/biking trail. We talked about a grant for maybe taking aerial photos. Ruth told about a man from Grand Junction who knows more about this, and she will get his name and number to contact him. Kathy will follow up on finding out if Saguache County has an historic commission, and/or if they are willing to let us register their historic sites in our county.

Next, we discussed the nomination of the Fairview School. Mac brought some research papers to Kathy to add to the form already turned in. Tentatively we set the public hearing for April 15, at 5:15, prior to our next meeting. Kathy will get all the copies made for the board members to review. Also, she will put the legals in the paper, and have Alice Redden post the property notice.

We then talked about previous news Kathy received. One was the Goals 2000, put out by the state. Mitch talked about the financial aspect to encourage the public to get more involved. He knows how people listen when you talk money. Maybe the county could help in tax incentives. Also, Lyda inquired where we are at in the updating of the amendment with the County Attorney. Kathy will check on that, along with finding out about the proclamations to give out with plaques.

Mac asked about us all working on the cow camps nominations. He believes they are very important to preserve. And if we don't get started on them right away, we might lose out on saving them. He knows the historical value of them, and wants to be able to have that for future generations.

Next, we discussed HP week coming in May. This year it will be Saturday, May 8 through Saturday, May 15. Some of the ideas were the progressive dinners, storytelling, speakers, school tours, and quarry tours. Mac will work on the storytelling time and place in Gunnison. Mitch will work with Molly in CB, on arranging the dinner and storytelling up there. Kathy will call the City on putting together a poster. And we agreed on having the same people produce this, as we did last year.

Bin Items:

The next regular meeting will be April 15, 1999.

The public hearing has been postponed until Thursday, April 29, at 5:15pm in the BOCC meeting room.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR APRIL 15 MEETING:

1. Fairview School nomination packets
2. Discuss HP Week planning
3. Internship possibilities

4. Updates on research projects