

Gunnison County Historic Preservation Commission  
March 17, 2010

Members Present: Dave Primus, Lee Ann Mick, Nick Lypps, Laura Easley, Lynn Card, Paul Gery, Lyda Hardy, Jody Reeser

Dave opened the meeting at 5:15. The minutes were read and approved.

The first item on the agenda was the board appointments. Jody Reeser was introduced and Dave filled her in on some information about our board. Dave also let the board know that both he and Debbie had been working with the commissioner's about getting Laura added back onto the board. She was appointed to a 2 year term with an emeritus position. She will have full voting rights in the event one of the regular board members is absent. We are all glad to have her back on the board.

Debbie brought up May being Historical Preservation month and told the board that the State theme this year is "Pathways to Colorado's Heritage". Lyda and Paul are going to be a subcommittee so that we can get things organized before our next meeting. We are going to try and show movies that were filmed in Gunnison County or area. The committee will check with the Art Center to see what their policies are and if it will be possible to set up 2 or three film nights in May. Laura suggested that maybe we could get the seniors to show a local movie for the month of May. They have one after their lunch, on one Friday a month. Paul will talk to them about that. The board agreed that the long term goal with this project would be to do short takes from the films for a program down the road. It was moved and voted on to approve Lyda and Paul making any decisions that need to be done before the next meeting.

Lyda and Paul have reworked the main brochure and will bring us a final draft to the next meeting. Laura showed us her brochure layout on the schools. Laura and Lee Ann will work on the school brochure and come back to the board with some changes to the layout.

Debbie told the board that she had been contacted by Tina McGuinness, who is the director of Partners. They are now the owners of the 8<sup>th</sup> Street School. She has talk to someone at the State Historic Society that told her about grants to repair the school. Her first step is to get a qualified historic architect to do an assessment on the property. Then she can go from there. They want to restore the building back into a one room school house with an updated kitchen. Then they would use it for a community center. It was discussed that maybe Jody could help. Debbie will call Tina and give her Jody's contact information.

Laura said that DAR is working on a project for the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of creation of the WPA sites. The board talked about the different WPA projects in Gunnison and it was suggested that Laura could check with the local libraries and online there is listing of all WPA projects.

Dave brought up the subject of the resurrection of the Pioneer Ski Area up Cement Creek. It is on Forest Service Land and there was an article in the paper that said that the Forest Service thought it could be a historical site. Dave feels like this was said on the part of the Forest Service to keep the ski area from opening. Putting it on the National Register, or any register, would protect it from being changed. If anyone brings us an application, which follows our guide lines we would have to go through the process of approving it regardless of

our own personal feelings. For one thing we would have a public hearing before it would go to the County Commissioners and then we would have to make the recommendations to the board based on that hearing and the County Commissioners would have final approval. Dave will keep an eye on this and we will see where it goes from here.

Debbie reminded everyone that Dan Corson would be here at our next meeting on April 21. We want to talk to him about the survey and he will be making a couple presentations.

The meeting was adjourned as there was no further business to come before the board.

### Agenda

Dan Corson  
Historic Preservation Month  
Movie project  
8<sup>th</sup> Street School  
Brochures – Main & School  
Map update  
WPA Project