

Gunnison County Historic Preservation Commission

Online Zoom meeting (due to COVID 19 virus precautions) – September 16, 2020

Members Present: Jody Reeser, David Primus, Larry McDonald, Lee Ann Mick, Kathleen Curry

Others Present: Mike Pelletier (staff)

Dave brought the meeting to order. Larry (2nd by Lee Ann) made a motion to approve the minutes. They were approved unanimously.

The group discussed how to determine what requires an alteration certificate. Mike told the group his findings about how other Certified Local Governments deal with it. They ranged from creating detailed design guidelines with approved/unapproved examples in places like Cripple Creek, to just reviewing building permits in Denver, to using the interpretation of a qualified staff member in Fort Collins.

Dave said our current regulation requires bringing every change to the HPC. Jody suggested focusing on just building permits but adding key elements such as windows and fascia that wouldn't require building permits. Jody said she would work on drafting up some revised language for the group to review.

The group then discussed deterrents to historical designation. It was decided the group should read through the current regulations and send thoughts to the group.

The group then elected new officers. Jody was voted to be chair and Dave was voted to be vice-chair.

The group decided to put off until next month a discussion of providing historical information to developers and the funding of non-HPC projects.

Kathleen brought up the question of how best to recognize Centennial Ranches. The group encouraged her to pursue the issue and bring more thoughts on the subject to the HPC.

Larry gave an update on Pioneer Museum happenings. He said there was a noticeable drop in local and international visitors this season. Admission revenue was down 60%. On September 16, 2020 Larry attended "CLG Webinar - Heritage Interpretation" that was put on by History Colorado's Office of Archaeology & Historic Preservation. Larry also said that one of his goals is to begin digitizing photographs at the museum.

Adjourned 6:00