

Gunnison County Historic Preservation Commission

Online Zoom Meeting – April 20, 2022

Members Present: Jody Reeser, LeeAnn Mick, Shelley Popke, David Russell

Others Present: Mike Pelletier, Spencer Barber

Jody opened the meeting and the group discussed minutes from March 16, 2022. LeeAnn (2nd Jody) made a motion to approve. It passed unanimously.

Spencer let the group know that this would be his last meeting as a student HPC representative. He was appreciative of the opportunity to contribute and of what he learned. He will pass on his notes regarding the oral history project in Somerset to his replacement.

Mike presented the edits to the HPC Resolutions and asked the group to review.

The group then discussed the letter to the Somerset community regarding the unfunded grant proposal. There are tensions with the community because it is having water/sewer issues and they would like more help from the County given the tax dollars generated at the mine. It was noted that Nick Lypps (former HPC commissioner) has been restoring homes for low income housing in Somerset.

Jody told the group that the advertisement went into the papers for the Historical Agricultural Significance award. The ad will run through May, with selection occurring in June and the presentation in July.

The group discussed the Lola flagpole issue. It was mentioned that there hasn't been any progress and that Jan Nixon was helping on the project. It is thought that National Park Service hasn't given the go ahead yet.

LeeAnn shared with the group a list of potential downtown sign sites that her and Lyda Hardy and worked on together. Jody presented the metal sign done by Sign Guys and Gal. The group liked the sign and LeeAnn said she would work on getting it installed at City Hall.

Jody did the walking tour with Heather and her students. It became clear that they need a better path and that it would be good to potentially use Dave Primus's historical bird's eye view map with red circles around buildings that still existed in 2018. The tour also needs info about why each building is significant and having it as a phone app would be great.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00