

1 **New Castle Historic Preservation Commission**  
2 **Monday, February 23, 2015, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall**

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4 **Call to order**

5 Commission Chair Virginia Erickson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.  
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7 **Roll Call**

8 Present Commissioner Blaylock  
9 Commissioner Borgard  
10 Commissioner Erickson  
11 Commissioner Leland  
12 Commissioner Rippy  
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15 Also present at the meeting was Administrative Assistant Ryan Muse.  
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17 **Conflicts of Interest**

18 There were no conflicts of interest.  
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20 **Review Minutes from Previous Meeting**

21 **MOTION: Commissioner Rippy made a motion to approve the minutes as**  
22 **amended. Commissioner Borgard seconded the motion and it passed**  
23 **unanimously.**  
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25 **Commission Comments**

26 Commissioner Leland stated that the first annual Founder's Day was a success.  
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28 **Citizen Comments on Items NOT on Agenda**

29 There were no citizen comments.  
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31 **Place Naming: Trails and Other Features that Could Be Named in Honor of**  
32 **Someone or Something**

33 **MOTION: Commissioner Borgard made a motion to recommend to the Town**  
34 **Council that New Castle rename South C Avenue after Gladys Pendergast,**  
35 **who served as Town Clerk for 24 years. Commissioner Leland seconded the**  
36 **motion and it passed unanimously.**

37 Chair Erickson said she would write a letter to the Town Council suggesting this.  
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39 **Discuss Possible Survey of the New Castle Museum and Other Historic**  
40 **Buildings**

41 Commissioner Leland suggested that in the next Town Newsletter there be an  
42 article asking citizens who own a residential building constructed prior to 1938 if  
43 they would like to participate in a residential historic survey. This article would  
44 explain that if they choose to participate, they would only be obligated to meet with  
45 the surveyors when they come to town. This article would also explain that the  
46 survey would not go in a national or state registry so homeowners will maintain the  
47 right to control their own buildings. This article would direct interested participants

1 to contact Administrative Assistant Muse and he will compile a list of the interested  
2 parties. This article is being presented to the public to discover if there are enough  
3 participants to move forward with doing a residential historic survey. The suggested  
4 time limit to contact Administrative Assistant Muse is two months.

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7 **Additional Items**

8 Chair Erickson asked if there was any new business the Commission wanted to  
9 discuss.

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11 Commissioner Rippy asked if the Town could frame historic photos of the Jolley  
12 family in dedication of the new Jolley Trail. Commissioner Borgard suggested that  
13 the photos could be kept in the library. Commissioner Leland said that Mayor  
14 Gordon and Town Administrator Baker had spent an afternoon with the Jolley  
15 Family listening to stories and looking at photos. Commissioner Leland said he  
16 would ask them to get copies of the photos. Commissioner Rippy also suggested  
17 that the New Castle Historical Society might be interested in obtaining a copy of the  
18 pictures and stories.

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20 Commissioner Leland asked Chair Erickson, who is on the board of the New Castle  
21 Historical Society, what the Commission could do to help obtain funds for the  
22 society. Chair Erickson responded that the museum building was in bad shape and  
23 did not have a bathroom. She also stated that the board was responsible for  
24 keeping the building clean and they could always use cleaning supplies. Chair  
25 Erickson complimented the Historical Society of the Town of Silt because of their  
26 successful methods of obtaining members, such as having informative monthly  
27 classes. Commissioner Leland then stated that he would have members of the New  
28 Castle Historical Society speak at next year's Founder's Day as a method of  
29 garnishing support for the Historical Society. Commissioner Borgard suggested that  
30 Chair Erickson put in a request to the Lion's Club for funding.

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32 Chair Erickson said she was using mortuary records to create a more complete  
33 record of the Town's early obituaries. She said that compiling a complete list was  
34 difficult due to the inconstancies of sources and because many of New Castle's early  
35 citizens were buried in Glenwood Springs. Chair Erickson said that this is because  
36 the train was the only method of transportation and it was easy to put the deceased  
37 on a train to be taken to Glenwood Springs. The rest of the commissioners  
38 complimented Chair Erickson on the records she had compiled.

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40 Commissioner Borgard commented that Chair Erickson is a wealth of knowledge  
41 and suggested that she record her recollections of New Castle.

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43 Administrative Assistant Muse told the Commission that he had searched  
44 extensively, but could not find a grant opportunity that would help fund an  
45 electronic cemetery records update.

1 Commissioner Rippy wanted to know what it would cost to update the town website  
2 to make it compatible with an elaborate cemetery page. Commissioner Leland said  
3 he would ask the current website designer.  
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6 **Set Next Meeting**

7 **MOTION: Commissioner Borgard made a motion that the regularly**  
8 **scheduled meeting take place on March 16, 2015. The motion was**  
9 **seconded by Commissioner Leland and it passed unanimously.**

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11 The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.  
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13 Town of New Castle  
14 Historic Preservation Commission

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18 Commission Chair Virginia Erickson

19 ATTEST:

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23 Ryan Muse, Administrative Assistant

