

1 **New Castle Historic Preservation Commission**
2 **Regular Meeting**
3 **August 15, 2016, 6:30p.m., Town Hall**
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6 **Call to Order**

7 Commissioner Borgard called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

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9 **Roll Call**

10 Present Chair Erickson arrived at 6:34
11 Commissioner Leland
12 Commissioner Blaylock
13 Commissioner Borgard
14 Commissioner Rippy
15 Absent None

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17 Also present at the meeting was Administrative Assistant Darlene Harrison.
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19 **Meeting Notice**

20 Administrative Assistant Darlene Harrison verified that her office gave notice of the
21 meeting in accordance with Resolution TC-2016-1
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23 **Conflicts of Interest**

24 There were no conflicts of interest.
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26 **Items for Consideration**
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28 **Consider Approval of Minutes**

29 June 20, 2016

30 The commission offered corrections to the minutes.

31 **MOTION: Commissioner Leland made a motion to approve the minutes as**
32 **amended. Commissioner Borgard seconded the motion and it passed**
33 **unanimously.**
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35 **Discussion: Museum Restoration Grant/Progress on Historic Structures**
36 **Inventory Grant Application.**

37 Commissioner Leland wanted to put a discussion about the Museum Restoration Grant
38 on an agenda. Years ago, the Commission talked about the necessary repairs to the
39 museum. Local Architect Patrick Stuckey had done the initial survey to determine what
40 the costs would be. Commissioner Leland asked the commission to consider pursuing
41 the restoration grant. The museum building was in danger of falling in because the
42 glazed brick was in poor shape and was being held together by the stucco. The building
43 addition was in worst condition. The building also needed roof work. He felt that if the
44 town intended to keep the museum then something needed to be done. Commissioner
45 Rippy asked if it would be possible to have Patrick Stuckey at the next meeting.
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47 **Commission Comments**

48 Commissioner Rippy said he had been working on the cemetery information which was
49 a lot of work.

50 Chair Erickson said that Martha & Bart Potter had made a cassette about family History
51 in New Castle, and there were others.

52 Commissioner Rippy said it was fascinating going through and reading about the family
53 histories, and how hard life was back in those days. Pete Miller's first wife had a child
54 that died after she gave birth, then Mrs. Miller died 10 days later, and she was only 18.
55 The number of children and infants that died showed how hard times were. Chair
56 Erickson mentioned there was also a lot of typhoid fever and flu. Commissioner Rippy
57 also mentioned that Mr. Ganley had been in two separate mine explosions.

58 Commissioner Leland asked Chair Erickson if she was the one who arranged to have
59 information sent to him. She did and said she had received the information from her
60 granddaughter. Commissioner Leland said that he had information for all three of the
61 hills honorees and he will write something about them. Chair Erickson explained that
62 Mrs. Flynn came from the Parachute area in 1927 where she taught school, then Mrs.
63 Flynn and her husband went into oil shale. They moved to Silt and opened a drug store,
64 then made their home in New Castle. They worked at the drug store on the corner of
65 3rd Street for 30 years. Commissioner Leland said he read about Town Clerk Gladys
66 Prendergast and how she used a mine air shaft as a garbage dump. Commissioner
67 Rippy said he remembered that the air shaft would catch fire every so often.

68 Commissioner Borgard added that you could see smoke in the wintertime coming from
69 Burning Mt. then when you look at the Hogbacks you could see smoke anytime of the
70 year. Chair Erickson mentioned the scar on the Hogbacks and how there was no growth
71 there.

72 Chair Erickson also mentioned that Kathy Arthur had gotten information for Chair
73 Ericson to give to Commissioner Leland.

74 Commissioner Leland mentioned that they should look at long-time families that have
75 lived here in New Castle both for Founders Day and for any other naming opportunities.
76 There are many trails to be named.

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78 **Set Agenda Items for September 19, 2016 Meeting**

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80 **Motion: Commissioner Borgard made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner**
81 **Rippy seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

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83 The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

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85 Respectfully submitted,

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88 Chair Virginia Erickson

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92 Administrative Assistant Darlene Harrison

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