

**New Castle Historic Preservation Commission  
Regular Meeting  
June 20, 2016, 6:30p.m., Town Hall**

**Call to Order**

Commission Chair Virginia Erickson called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

**Roll Call**

Present	Chair Erickson Commissioner Leland Commissioner Blaylock Commissioner Borgard Commissioner Rippy
Absent	None

Also present at the meeting were Deputy Town Clerk Mindy Andis and Administrative Assistant Darlene Harrison.

**Meeting Notice**

Deputy Town Clerk Mindy Andis verified that her office gave notice of the meeting in accordance with Resolution TC-2016-1

**Conflicts of Interest**

There were no conflicts of interest.

**Items for Consideration**

**Consider Approval of Minutes**

May 16, 2016

The commission offered corrections to the minutes.

**MOTION: Commissioner Leland made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Commissioner Borgard seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

**Cemetery Page Upgrade**

Commissioner Rippy said he would like to see markers placed to mark each gravesite in the cemetery. Deputy Town Clerk Mindy Andis told the Commission that some graves you can see an indentation in the ground, but it is unknown who may be buried there because there are no markers. There are a total of 554 unmarked graves in the cemetery, including 119 that are unknown whether anyone is buried there.

Commissioner Rippy said that it would take many months to update all cemetery records in order to upload to the website. Obtaining photos and other information may take a long time as well. Chair Erickson asked if Commissioner Rippy had contacted the families asking for information about their loved ones buried in the cemetery.

Commissioner Leland suggested using the town newsletter, Facebook page and web site to advertise for information, which would be easier than writing to 2,100 families. The commission expected they could gather the data in 2017.

**Discussion: Naming of two hills on east side of Mt Medaris.**

Commissioner Leland said he had told the council that the name Ganley Hill had been chosen for one of the hills, and the council liked it, but Commissioner Leland wanted more information on who Ganley was. Chair Erickson said that a Ganley granddaughter was living in Grand Junction and she would get in touch with her. Commissioner Leland suggested naming one of the other two hills, Flynn after Doris Flynn the woman that ran the drug store on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, where the liquor store was. The other suggested name was Prendergast after Gladys Prendergast, the woman that was New Castle Town Clerk. Chair Erickson asked to have the names proposed to council. Commissioner Rippy thought it would be a good idea to find out how long Mrs. Prendergast work for the Town

**MOTION: Commissioner Rippy made a motion to name two hills Flynn and Prendergast. Commissioner Leland seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

Commissioner Leland said that nothing in town had been named after Marshall Rennix. He felt that everyone should know his story. Commissioner Rippy suggested that South B Ave. could be renamed Rennix. South B Ave. tied into Rodreick which had family ties. The commission agreed to make the recommendation to the Council for their consideration.

**Discussion: Caroline Bancroft History Project Award and Josephine H. Miles History Award**

The Commission was glad to be aware of the opportunities but thought they should wait until summer 2017.

**Commission Comments**

The Commission discussed rehangng the Mayor photos, and the possibility of remodeling the Council Chambers. Commissioner Rippy thought the corner lot at W Main and Kamm Avenue would be a good place for a new Town Hall. He asked Commissioner Leland to research what the numbers look like. Commissioner Leland said they would talk about it at the next council meeting.

Commissioner Leland said that Northwest Colorado Cultural Heritage & Tourism (NWCHT) will install signs in all fourteen of the North West Colorado towns. New Castle's sign will go on the patio between Town Hall and the Library sometime during the summer.

Commissioner Leland said the owner of the Livery building wanted to know what the Museum on the Street signs would look like. Commissioner Leland said he had looked at the historic survey pages that showed the Livery a block east from the present site. Looking at the building, it looked like the Livery façade had been moved to a different building, and the original building torn down.

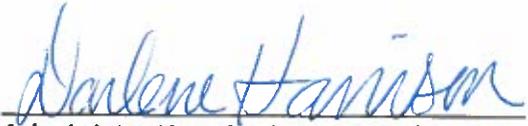
**Set Next Meeting**

The commission agreed to set the next meeting for July 18, 2016 at 6:30 p.m.

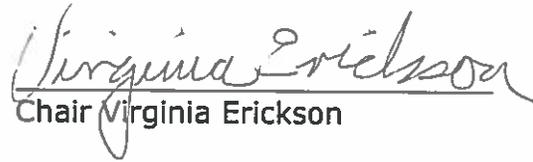
**Motion: Commissioner Borgard made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Rippy seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Administrative Assistant Darlene Harrison

  
Chair Virginia Erickson

