

**New Castle Historic Preservation Commission
Regular Meeting
December 19, 2016 6:30p.m., Town Hall**

Call to Order

Chair Erickson called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Roll Call

Present Chair Erickson
 Commissioner Hazelton
 Commissioner Blaylock
 Commissioner Rippy

Absent Commissioner Borgard

Present at the meeting were Town Planner Tim Cain, Administrative Assistant Darlene Harrison and members of the public.

Meeting Notice

Administrative Assistant Darlene Harrison 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

There were no conflicts of interest.

Consider Approval of Minutes,

October 17, 2016

Motion: Commissioner Rippy made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Commissioner Hazelton seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Discussion: New Castle Museum renovation with Patrick Stuckey

Patrick Stuckey greeted the commission. He said that when he was on the Historic Preservation Commission in 2010-2011, he had heard the museum needed renovation and became interested in the project. Mr. Stuckey said there had been a structural assessment grant available at the time, but the town would not be eligible to apply because a town board could not receive the funds. Mr. Stuckey had a colleague who was a structural engineer. This colleague had look at the Museum and Jail House and found there was need for repair and that it could had been repaired. Some of the issues with the building were water damage in the north side, and potentially ground movement in the rear. Additionally, the building had minimal electricity, no heat and no running water. Commissioner Rippy suggested that the town could apply for a Garfield Federal Mineral Lease District (GFMLD) mini-grant of \$25k. There was no match required with a GFMLD mini-grant. The commission, Mr. Stuckey and museum

volunteers LaRue Wentz, Lorraine McNeal and Mary Ann Ligon discussed the options for funding to make improvements to the building. They agreed that local funding was more appropriate and potentially easier to obtain than either state or federal funds. Commission Chair Virginia Erickson felt that the town council should decide if restoration of the museum was something they wanted to do. Commissioner Rippy thought that since the building had once been the town hall and a firehouse, it would be great to restore the building back to what it used to look like when it was the firehouse. Commissioner Rippy said that the council would want an estimated figure on what the repairs and restoration would cost before making any decisions. Commissioner Hazelton suggested that because the GFMLD grant funds were becoming more limited, it might be prudent to make the minimal repairs to prevent further deterioration. Commissioner Hazelton agreed to approach the town council about the restoration of the Museum.

Discussion: History Colorado Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation
Chair Erickson tabled the discussion for a future meeting.

Discussion: Certified Local Government (CLG) Subgrant Application Guidelines & Program Deadline

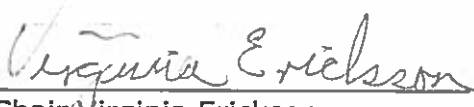
Commissioner Rippy reminded the commission that the CLG representative had attended a meeting and discussed the grant that would identify the history of homes built in the late 1800's and early 1900's. After a brief discussion, the commission and staff decided it was not the time to apply for the grant, and opted to wait until the next grant cycle.

Consider Agenda Items for January 16, 2017 Meeting
There were no items for the next agenda.

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Chair Virginia Erickson


Administrative Assistant Darlene Harrison

