



Historic Preservation Board Meeting

February 5, 2020

Mesa Verde Room

In attendance: Patricia Lacey, Linda Towle, Cody Wells, Mitchell Toms, Holly Tatnall, Neva Connolly, Guest David Rainey. Sue Betts was excused from the meeting.

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

Introduction of those present: David Rainey, a City Council candidate, briefly introduced himself to the board.

Public Input and Comments- none

Approval of Minutes

The December 2019 minutes were approved, with corrections. *All ayes, motion passed.*

New Business

411 East First Street- Rachel Medina: Rachel Medina, property owner of 411 E. 1st Street, has expressed interested in having her property surveyed as part of the ongoing 2019 Survey. The Board discussed her location and the current grant, and determined that the property can not be inventoried in the 2019 survey, but can be included in the 2020 survey (if the grant is approved by History Colorado).

CREA Grant for \$300 for Historic Preservation Day May 9, 2020 Awarded The CREA grant was awarded for the 11th year. Typically, the CREA grant is used for poster design and advertising for Historic Preservation Day.

CLG Webinars Attended: "Lead and Asbestos" and "New Synergy in Historic Preservation and Sustainability." Patricia mentioned that she has been attending the webinars at City Hall and gave a brief overview of webinar topics to date.

Comments of CDOT Electric Vehicle Charging Station at County Annex: A part of a routine development review from the state (CDOT), the Historic Board was sent a notice of review for an electric charging station at the County Annex building. Patricia sent a letter to CDOT, stating no adverse effect on historic resources.

Historic Preservation Day Planning: The Board set May 9th as the date for the 2020 Historic Preservation Day celebration. The board discussed tours of Montezuma Avenue designed to coordinate with the podcast information. Tours are tentatively scheduled for 10:30 and 2:00. There may be a HerStory presentation at the Cultural Center at 7:00pm. The Board discussed coordinating a school program for children on May 8, and possibly working with the Ute Tribe to

share the history of the area's boarding schools. The Board discussed holding a final 2019 inventory public meeting during May 9 as well.

Historic Preservation Archives: Linda mentioned that she has an accumulation of materials from her many years as chair and member of the Historic Preservation Board. The City can store these materials in the City Hall warehouse.

Term Expirations: Linda and Mitchell's terms are near expiration. Both expressed interest in continuing their membership-Neva will take the term renewals to Council as soon as possible.

Letter to Peyton Heitzman: City Intern Peyton Heitzman accepted a position in the Town of Eagle. The Board will send a "thank you" letter to Peyton for her assistance with the 2019 grant.

Old Business

Historic Inventory CLG Grant Original Townsite (Maple to Ash St. along 1st Street) Progress: Four site forms were sent to the state for review. The consultants are waiting for a response and feedback.

Historic Inventory CLG Grant 2020 Cortez Original Townsite: The grant has been submitted, and the Board will be notified of grant award in March.

Montezuma Avenue Historic District: Linda discussed the history of the Historic District designation attempts, and what has been learned about the process since 2014. Cody is working with Linda to obtain an accurate list of property owners.

Other Business

Southern Ute Boarding School Campus: Linda Towle gave an update on the visit to the boarding school campus. The decision to list as an Endangered Place will be announced at the Colorado Saving Places conference in February—at this time, there has been no update from the state.

Update from Representatives on Board

Realtor Update: Working with Linda to update the Montezuma Avenue property owner list.

Cortez Cultural Center: The Cultural Center has restarted Cocktail Hour, is beginning a program called Animal Tales, continues to have Critical Conversations, and more.

Montezuma County Historical Society: Patricia Lacey updated the Board with information from the MCHS meeting on January 14, 2020. The MCHS elected new Board members. During the February 5, 2020 meeting, the MCHS reported 142 members, installed wifi at the Grange, and received a \$10,000 grant from the Ballantine Foundation. Exhibits at City Hall were changed to, "a woman's work is never done," and schools in Montezuma County honoring the 40s Bunch.

Chamber of Commerce: Mitchell mentioned the After Hours event was being held at Four Corners Community Bank on February 28.

Planning and Zoning: Neva mentioned that the updated Land Use Code was not passed by Council on January 28.

City Council: No update.

Meeting adjourned at 6:05 pm.

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