

January 16, 2016 Minutes
Park County Historic Preservation Advisory Commission Meeting
Beginning at 9:00 am
Old Park County Courthouse, 418 Main St, Fairplay, CO 80440

Attending

Doug Stephens, Chair
Jim Fagerstrom, Vice Chair
Jerry Davis, Member
Brian Woodyard, Member
Steve Plutt, Member
Robert Schoppe, Member
Elissa Adams, Member
Amy Unger, Member

Staff:

Erin Gibbs

Chair Stephens called the meeting to order at 9:08 am.

The agenda was approved as presented, moved by Adams and seconded by Woodyard. The December minutes were approved with two corrections requested by Unger and Davis. December minutes were moved with changes by Woodyard and seconded by Fagerstrom.

Erica Duvic, former Grants and Project Manager for Park County Department of Heritage, Tourism & Community Development, was present for public comment. Duvic did not provide public comment at this time.

Staff Report

Staff announced that the Department hired a new employee, Jennie Andrusin, as a Project Manager. Jennie's role will be to handle the Department's finances as well as handling South Park National Heritage Area subgrants and financial/program reporting.

Staff informed the board the Buffalo Peaks/Guiraud-McDowell Ranch National Register Nomination had been approved at the State Review Board Meeting on Friday, January 15, 2016. There were minor changes regarding descriptions/photos of building interiors and surrounding vegetation. These will then be submitted to the Keeper at the National Park Service for final designation.

An update on the Park County Cemeteries Multiple Property Documentation Form (MPDF) was provided. Staff reported that Laurie and Tom Simmons of Front Range Research Associates are currently working on the changes requested by the National Park Service for resubmittal. Front Range Research Associates will also be starting research for the Como Cemetery National Register Nomination once a notice to proceed is issued. A Professional Services Agreement is being drafted by staff and will be submitted by the end of January. Water rights issues relating to the Como Cemetery have been resolved.

Staff announced that the Fairplay Intensive Survey CLG grant continues to await approval/disapproval. If unawarded, the survey will wait until further funding opportunities arise. If awarded, Front Range Research Associates will be the first choice for the project.

The Cline Ranch Master Plan project was awarded to alm₂s Architects, BlueGreen Landscape Architects, and Tatanka Research Associates. Alm₂s will be the project lead with BlueGreen and TatankaResearch Associates as subcontractors. The professional services agreement is being drafted by staff and will be submitted by the end of January.

Staff met with the head of Colorado East Bank and Trust to finalize an agreement to offset the lack of Section 106 reporting on their new building. The bank will be paying \$2,733.00 in printing costs for a newly updated Fairplay Walking Tour Brochure. A Memorandum of Agreement is being drafted for securing funding for printing costs from the bank for future walking tours, including Alma and South Park City. Staff will be drafting a letter to FDIC acknowledging the bank's effort in retroactive Section 106 reporting. The bank is not able to donate their historic bank ledgers due to an issue with compliance and statute of limitations. They do have plans to donate public records that they currently hold in their office.

Staff reported that the courtroom restoration has been put on hold until staff is able to finalize other projects. Plans for painting and floor restoration are scheduled to continue at the end of January.

Staff informed the board that an RFP for phases III and IV Paris Mill construction documents is being drafted. Staff is waiting on a finalized master plan from HordCoplanMacht Architects before the RFP can be released. Staff also announced that it is waiting on final numbers from Wattle and Daub Contractors in order to determine if phase II construction can be completed summer 2016.

New Business

There were no tax credit reviews

The board considered scholarships for Park County community members who have an interest attending the Colorado Preservation Inc. Saving Places Conference in February. Community members would include Park County school district teachers who may have interest in the Teacher Session at the conference. The money set aside for the scholarships would be equal to the amount received by History Colorado as a scholarship for sending Jerry Davis and Brian Woodyard to the conference: \$500.00. A motion was entertained to award two scholarships covering the cost of registration for Park County community members, moved by Adams and seconded by Fagerstrom. Staff will send out notices to community groups to seek out interested individuals. If no interest is generated, money set aside for scholarships will revert to funds to be used at PCHPAC's discretion.

The board considered a letter to State Senator Grantham drafted by Davis regarding a request to set aside funds in the State Historical Fund (SHF) for digitization projects. Discussion followed with Unger noting that the SHF's priorities lie strongly with physical buildings, and this is likely to not change with the current administration. Davis mentioned that SHF had awarded a grant previously to fund the digitization of county records. Unger stated she would check with the state to see if there was any

interest in digitization projects within SHF. She also suggested other areas of funding through the State Archives for digitization projects. Plutt noted that that if the letter is submitted, it should be shortened. The board voted to table the letter until more information is gathered.

The board considered election of officers. A motion to continue the current slate was moved by Plutt and Seconded by Woodyard. Members agreed that Chair Stephens would remain in his post until his departure in May. At that time the issue of election will be revisited.

Board Member Issues:

Chair Stephens announced he will be volunteering at the Saving Places conference and looks forward to seeing other board members there.

Plutt brought to staff's attention a possible addition to the Fairplay Walking Tour. According to a Flume article, a structure built by A.L. Dodge is purportedly the first log cabin in Fairplay, dating to 1860. The building was located at the rear of the Home Restaurant at the corner of Front and 5th streets. Information for the building's location is further being researched. It will not be added to the Fairplay walking tour brochure at this time, but will be added to the digital tour available on smart phones.

Chair Stephens donated informative reading material to staff.

Erica Duvic provided public comment. Duvic announced she had information regarding possible funding avenues for digitization projects apart from SHF and will send the information to Davis.

The next meeting was scheduled for February 20, 2016 at 9:00am at the Old Park County Courthouse. Plutt moved to adjourn the meeting and Adams seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote at 10:14 am.