

Historic Preservation Board Regular Meeting

Minutes – April 1, 2014

Present: Jon Schler, Michael Menard, Jody Motz, Chris Endreson and Jodi Coleman-Niernberg

Not Present: David Bailey, Scott Wolford and Kevin Reimer

Also Present: Kristen Ashbeck, City Economic Development and Sustainability and Bennett Boeschstein, City Council

The Board convened at 4:00 pm at City Hall

Minutes of March 4, 2014 Meeting. Michael Menard made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 4, 2014 meeting as written. The motion passed unanimously (5-0) on a second by Jody Motz.

Historic Preservation Month Activities/Events – May 2014

The Board discussed details of the following events/activities for Historic Preservation Month:

- Historic Preservation Awards – The owners of the home at 298 Mahan Street will be presented with their award at the May 7th City Council meeting and the award to the GSA for the Federal Building will be presented at the May 13th presentation about the building. Jon Schler will follow up with the homeowners about historic information and photos for the presentation.
- Federal Building Presentation will be May 13th around noon at the Main Library Community Room. Tours of the building will follow. Depending on the number of tour participants, Museum staff may assist with the tours.
- Bennett stated that History Colorado will be doing a Listening Session in Grand Junction on May 20th, 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm at the Whitman Building.
- Bennett is also organizing recognition of National Train Day which is May 10th. The public is invited to join the Friends of the Depot and AMTRAK in welcoming passengers on the morning and afternoon trains that day.
- Museum events, the Google walking tour and any Palisade and Fruita events will be promoted in a press release in late April. The Board discussed other ways to get the information about events out to the community such as the Community Calendar, the Downtown newsletter and KAFM public radio. The Museum's events include the May 15th oral history program which is a presentation by Jon Maraschin, executive director of the Business Incubator Center, about the history and success of the Center. Kristen will contact Fruita about any events that its Board is hosting and Michael will find out about Palisade events.

For historic preservation month activities in future years, the Board would like to resurrect an art show by students or other artists and coordinate an event with the Fruita Historic Preservation Board and the Palisade Historical Society.

Recap Home Show. Board members that worked the table at the Home Show on March 9th felt it was a worthwhile activity and a way to provide information to historic home and building owners and will discuss hosting a table again in 2015. Hand-outs for kids were popular and Kristen should have some business cards available for people to follow up with questions.

North Seventh Street Historic Residential District Guidelines and Standards. The Board suggested a walking tour of the District to inventory the historic accessory structures. Kristen will set a date and time for those interested in attending in late April.

Other. The Board briefly discussed creating additional tours, similar to the Downtown tour created by Chris Endreson. Ideas included tours of various architectural styles or neighborhoods. Chris stated it would be helpful to have a separate Google account to use for the tours. Kristen will look into the possibility with the City's Information Technology Division.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.