

Historic Preservation Board Meeting
Minutes – February 2, 2010

Present: Kathy Jordan, Zebulon Miracle, Michael Menard, Jon Schler, John Slay, Yvonne Piquette and Peggy Page

Also Present: Kristen Ashbeck, Neighborhood Services and Jane White, Interested Citizen

The Board convened at 4:00pm at the City Neighborhood Services Office

Minutes of January 5, 2010 Meeting. Jon Schler mentioned that the paragraph regarding the April 1, 2010 grant round was incorrect since we have since learned that Grand Junction is not considered a rural area. Upon noting this correction, Jon made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 5, 2010 meeting as amended. The motion passed unanimously on a second by Zebulon Miracle.

Introduction of Visitor. Jane White introduced herself as an interested citizen that was there to observe a meeting and learn more about the activities of the Board. The Board encouraged her to apply, noting that there will be three terms expiring in December 2010.

2010 Historic Preservation Month Activities/Events. The following events and activities will occur during Historic Preservation Month in May 2010.

- Historic Preservation Awards
 - Rocket and Saturn at Rocket Park. Kristen reported that the City Parks and Recreation Department will be hosting a grand re-opening of Rocket Park in May at which the Board could present the award to Parks and Recreation and to the Rocket Park Neighborhood at that event. A date and time has not yet been finalized. Kristen will look into what the award could be. The Board preferred that it be something permanent out in the park rather than something given to the department kept at the Parks office.
 - Longs Park. Kathy Jordan will do follow-up to determine details. The Board suggested that the type of award given in the past (rock with brass plaque) would be appropriate as it could be displayed in the restored log building at the Park.

- Museum Events
 - History of Rotary Club by Pat Gormley Thursday, May 20th at Noon at Whitman Building
 - John Slay Lecture – time/date/topic TBD
 - Downtown Walking Tour with Zebulon Miracle Friday, May 21st 5:30-7:00pm
 - History Geocache will be available on web site and at Museum. Zeb reported that last year it was downloaded 100 times and at least 25 were requested at the Museum front desk.

- Other Activities/Events
 - Kathy Jordan and Jon Schler will continue to work on a photographic scavenger hunt that could be published in the Sentinel.
 - The Board reviewed the example Scavenger Hunt for children that Kristen provided and suggested that it be made available on the City website.

D&RGW Depot Update. Kathy Jordan reported that members of the Friends of the Depot group had met with the owner of the Depot (Alpine Bank) to discuss future plans and the Historic Structure Assessment that is now completed. The Friends group also plans on making a presentation to the Downtown Development Authority Board in the next few months. Members are also going to ride the train over to attend the annual Colorado Preservation Inc. Saving Places conference since the Depot has been nominated to the Most Endangered Places list.

Other. Jon Schler reported that Tom Noel, noted Colorado Historian, was planning a Wine Train trip to Grand Junction. Zeb Miracle will try to follow up with Tom about date and details.

Kathy Jordan reported that some of the Legends committee are sponsoring an event at the ballroom of the Elks building with live bands and dancing on March 20th.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 pm.