

Kiowa County Historic Preservation Commission  
Regular Meeting  
June 1, 2015

Attendees: Alexa Roberts, Betsy Barnett, Kelly Courkamp, Jeff Campbell, Kim Barlow, Danny Richards, Carole Spady

- I. Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 6:10 p.m.
- II. Agenda approval:** agenda approved without amendments
- III. Opening Remarks:** n/a
- IV. Approval of Minutes:** Barlow moved to approve the May minutes; Spady seconded. Minutes approved by all.
- V. Reports**
  - a. Campbell shared an update on the Commission budget from the County. Remaining amounts are as followed: supplies - \$500; dues - \$100; travel – \$200.52 remaining; CLG grant - \$5650.00; misc - \$200.
  - b. Barnett reported on a meeting with representatives from the Boettcher foundation; it's possible that Boettcher may provide additional funding for the Murdock building rehab and to Crow Luther for the theater.
- VI. Unfinished Business**
  - a. **CLG Grant Contract:** The CLG contract for the plaques arrived. Roberts will coordinate signatures with the commissioners and return it to History Colorado. The commission reviewed the timeline and deliverables in the grant. Courkamp will collect the initial three bids while Roberts coordinates the paperwork for the grant.
  - b. **Funding for Heritage Trails Wayside:** Unfortunately, there is no money to produce and install the wayside panel that has finally been completed. Roberts proposed that the commission see what kind of money we have in our budget in December to pay for the installation and production of the panel; however, the Commission discussed that our current budget doesn't allow us to pay Kelli Hepler for the design corrections she made to the panel. Roberts called Judy Walden during the meeting to discuss, but left a message as she was not available.
  - c. **P.O. Box Rental:** Campbell looked into a P.O. Box rental. We have to ask Krissy to cut a check for \$50 to the USPS, fill out the forms, get keys, etc. The commission agreed to hold off on getting our own box for a couple more months. Courkamp will coordinate with Tina Adamson, the new county administrator.
  - d. **Brochure Updates and Website:** Courkamp will continue to work with Tori Uhland on completing the website and brochure.
- VII. New Business**
  - a. **Rialto Hotel demolition:** Commissioner Cindy McCloud notified the commission that the County did receive the Brownfield grant to tear down the Rialto Hotel. The Commission discussed other potential avenues of saving the building – not only because of its role in Eads history but because it is the biggest building in the heart of downtown. The Commission agrees that the public health concerns absolutely should be addressed and mitigated. Although the building does not meet local register criterion, KCHPC feels that the Commissioners should explore other avenues of rehabbing the structure with the existing shell before demolishing it. Roberts will reply to McCloud's email with a summary of commission thoughts to hopefully continue the conversation.
- VIII. Public Forum:** n/a
- IX. Announcements:** none
- X. Adjourn:** Barlow moved to adjourn; Campbell seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.