

Kiowa County Historic Preservation Commission

Regular Meeting – Monday, June 4, 2012 – 6:00 PM

NPS Office – Eads, CO

Present: Alexa Roberts; Jeff Campbell; Danny Richards; Kim Barlow; Kelly Courkamp; Sharon Johnson

Absent: Betsy Barnett

1. Call to order – The regular meeting of KCHPC was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairperson, Roberts. A quorum was present.
2. Approval of agenda – Barlow moved to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Campbell. All voted to approve the agenda as presented.
3. Opening remarks – none
4. Minutes – Courkamp moved to approve the minutes as presented. Second by Campbell. All voted to approve the minutes as presented.
5. Reports –
 - a. Roberts reported that she is a member of the Otero County Historic Preservation Advisory Board and as a member she wanted to share with KCHPC some of that board's practices that we might consider adopting. One is a spreadsheet that lists the local, state and National register holdings within Otero County. Another is having a tour of those holdings to better familiarize members with the county sites. Another tour would be of prospective sites/places to be listed. Discussion followed regarding both ideas with KCHPC indicating interest in both.
 - b. Roberts reported that within her capacity as a Superintendent with the National Park Service, she had been made aware of a Colorado Air National Guard airspace environmental assessment for flyovers that might impact National Park Service properties. These flyovers also might impact local, state and/or national historic sites/places. Local CLGs were to be contacted regarding such. Roberts reported that SHPO had responded to Colorado Air National Guard regarding its air space environmental assessment saying it could not concur with a no adverse effect determination and questioned whether or not local CLGs had been consulted. KCHPC had not been consulted but that may have been due to miscommunication with the local BOCC. Roberts reported that NPS had responded with a favorable response to COANG.
6. Unfinished business –
 - a. CLG contract with FRRA for National Register Nomination Project – Courkamp reported that the Consulting Service Agreement had been signed. A copy was given to Johnson for the KCHPC file. Property Owners Contact Information has been forwarded to FRRA and their research has begun.
 - b. Johnson reported that four (4) copies of the Towner School Bus Tragedy Intensive Survey Plan and the necessary paperwork had been sent by certified mail to SHF. An invoice had been submitted to the BOCC for payment of \$1250 to FRRA for the first payment and a copy of the issued

check had been received by Johnson. KCHPC is anticipating a favorable response from SHF as the Survey Plan from FRRA was more than satisfactory in its estimation.

7. New business –

- a. Review of Panel for Canyons and Plains Wayfinding Project – KCHPC members were able to view preliminary drawings for the large southeast Colorado map and kiosk panels planned for the Eads roadside park. The map will give visitors to the area an insight as to the many and varied attractions to be found in southeast Colorado including: Bent's Old Fort; Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site; Camp Amache; Boggsville; Towner Bus Tragedy; Birding Trail; Kiowa Creek Natural Area; Nation's Smallest Jail in Haswell; Eads Loop Historic Heritage Trail; and many others. Courkamp will forward a copy of the FRRA Towner School Bus Tragedy Intensive Survey Plan to the BOCC administrator with a request that the Commissioners be given copies. Dick Scott, Commissioner from Kiowa County's east end, especially requires a copy so that its input can be used in preparation of the Towner kiosk for the Canyons and Plains Wayfinding Project. Courkamp also will forward a copy of the FRRA Towner School Bus Tragedy Intensive Survey to Janet Frederick, NPS in Eads, for use at the June 7, 2012 SECORHT/Canyons and Plains meeting to be held at Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site.
- b. Review of final deliverables for American Legion Hall Project – Richards presented the completed architectural plans by architect, Belinda Zink, for review by KCHPC members. Rehabilitation of the building is expected to cost \$539,434. Fundraising options were discussed by the commission for the match that will be required for completion of the project. The plans looked very good and will maintain the integrity of the original WPA building. Richards also reported that he had contacted Lance Jagers, Eads FFA Instructor, and had arranged for the iron fencing at the fairgrounds to be refurbished by the FFA. This fencing is historic as it once surrounded the original courthouse in Eads.

8. Public forum – none

9. Announcements – none

10. Adjournment – Courkamp moved to adjourn. Second by Barlow. All voted to approve the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Johnson, Secretary