

New Castle, Colorado
Historic Preservation Commission Meeting
Monday, June 19, 2023, 6:30 PM

Call to Order

Commission Chair Mari Riddile called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present	Chair Mari Riddile
	Commissioner Richard Parks
	Commissioner Ruth Fletcher
	Commissioner Richard Fletcher
	Commissioner Brandy Copeland
Absent	Alternate Commissioner Tom Fuller

Also present at the meeting was Deputy Town Clerk Remi Bordelon.

Meeting Notice

Deputy Clerk Bordelon verified that her office gave notice of the meeting in accordance with Resolution TC 2020-1.

Conflicts of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest.

Citizen Comments on Items NOT on the Agenda

There were no citizen comments.

Agenda Changes

There were no agenda changes.

Items for Consideration

Discussion of Historic District of Main Street

Chair Riddile reported St. John's Church, 100 E Main Street, was already historically designated. She reported that the Texico building would be selling to a new owner who intended to utilize it as a restaurant. She proposed the possibility of the commission reaching out the potential new buyer and discussing historic designation that would benefit them in their renovations. Deputy Clerk Bordelon shared that the owner of 721 W Main Street reached out with interest in hearing about historic designations. Deputy Clerk Bordelon suggested inviting the property owner to the next scheduled commission meeting.

Deputy Clerk Bordelon reminded the commission of the previous meeting where History Colorado Preservation Planner Lindsey Flewelling advised to outreach to all property owners within the proposed Historic District as a notice of intent. She reviewed the memo and the outlined steps for the process of executing a downtown historic district. She highlighted staff's recommendation for the commission to survey all property owners' interest within the boundary before presenting to Council the commission's intent to designate a historic district.

The commission composed an outreach letter intended for all property owners within the proposed Historic District asking for their input and interest as seen in Exhibit A of the minutes. The commission agreed to receive property owners' input through July 31, 2023.

Commission Report of Museum Electric Improvements

Commissioner Copeland reported that heaters have been installed in the museum. She said the lights were replaced with LEDs and new breaker panels were installed. Chair Riddile asked if the roof was fairly new. Commissioner Copeland confirmed it was. Chair Riddile shared that the Jolley Foundation was interested in funding a new roof for the museum. Commissioner Copeland suggested that the Jolley Foundation may help pay for insulation as the museum didn't have any. Commissioner Copeland said the Historic Society had requested help in moving display cases within the museum. Chair Riddile said having town employees assist would be best. She asked how many people they would need for assistance. She said she would discuss getting employee assistance with Town Administrator Dave Reynolds.

Consider Approval of May 15, 2023 Minutes

MOTION: Chair Riddile made a motion to approve the minutes of May 15, 2023. Commissioner Richard Fletcher seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Copeland shared that 10% of the proceeds from the Stout Foundation went towards the museum. The commission discussed and agreed to reschedule the next HPC meeting for August 28, 2023.

Adjourn

MOTION: Chair Riddile made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Richard Fletcher seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Deputy Town Clerk
Remi Bordelon



Commission Chair
Mari Riddile

Exhibit A

[Scope of Interest Letter for property owners of Main Street]

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

New Castle, Colorado



Historic Main Street

c.a. 1899

July 6, 2023

Dear Property Owner,

The New Castle Historic Preservation Commission is proposing a Historic District encompassing Main Street. You are receiving this notice because your property falls within the district boundary. There are limited properties within the boundary that qualify for historic designation.

An advantage to the historic properties would be a potential tax credit for improvements. Additionally, all exterior design changes would need approval from the Historic Preservation Commission. This applies only to the historic properties within the district boundary.

The Historic Preservation Commission wants to hear from you whether you are in favor or opposed to the idea of a Historic District. Please submit your response by July 31, 2023. Please email Commission Chair Mari Riddile (maririddile@gmail.com). Please call Mari with any questions (970) 948-0061.

Sincerely,

Historic Preservation Commission

You may email, mail or use the drop box at Town Hall to submit your response, **by July 31, 2023.**

- 1) Email: Commission Chair Mari Riddile (maririddile@gmail.com)
- 2) Mail: Historic Preservation Commission, PO Box 90, New Castle, CO 81647
- 3) Drop Box: 450 W Main Street, New Castle, CO 81647

I, _____ (home owner)

of property _____ (address)

am _____ in favor of

or _____ oppose of

a historic district of Main Street.