# New Castle Historic Preservation Commission Virtual Meeting Monday, March 15, 2021, 6:30 PM

Due to concerns related to COVID-19, this meeting was held as a virtual meeting only. The public is invited to attend.

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Please call: 1-346-248-7799 Meeting ID: 709 658 8400

#### Call to Order

Commission Chair Steve Rippy called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

#### Roll Call

Present Chair Rippy

Commissioner Riddile Commissioner Copeland Commissioner Fletcher

Absent

Commissioner Sass

### **Meeting Notice**

Administrative Assistant Bart Mendoza and Town Clerk Melody Harrison verified that their 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.

#### **Items for Consideration**

### **Discussion: New Castle Museum Engineer's Report**

Commission Chair Steve Rippy reviewed the Museum Engineer's Report from Town Engineer Jeff Simonson and determined a bid document would be the first step with town staff assisting with bid documents, and to look for grants to complete a survey. Chair

Historical Preservation Commission Monday March 15, 2021 Rippy acknowledged a program available offering people the opportunity to look for grants and how to fill out grant applications. He expressed interest in the use of both grant funding and the 2021 town budget for the purpose of a bid document, survey and museum repairs/improvements.

Commissioner Brandy Copeland inquired about grants as well and how to get them from the State Historical Society. She asked Administrative Assistant Mendoza to look them up and forward to the commission.

Chair Rippy mentioned the Trimble Building repairs (on the west side of the building) would be similar to the needed repairs for the museum. He described the poor condition of the interior brick walls of the museum and explained that would be the first repair as long as the exterior wall was not compromised due to moisture. Chair Rippy described the repair process as four-foot section phases to replace the bad bricks. He asked for the name of the company who completed the satisfactory repairs for the Trimble Building.

## Discussion: 2021 Budget

Chair Rippy spoke briefly about the 2021 Budget outlining that \$2000.00 was granted for the 2021 HPC budget. He suggested the funds be used towards the museum survey by Engineer Jeff Simonson confirming Commissioner Riddile's question about how the funds would be used for the museum. Chair Rippy stated \$2000.00 would not get far in fixing the museum and asked if there was anything else that the commission thought the 2021 budget needed to go towards. The commission agreed that the museum be top priority. Town Clerk Harrison suggested a fundraiser to get more funding which the commission agreed was a great idea.

Regarding an estimate, Chair Rippy commented on the difficultly in obtaining a true estimate due to the age of the building and that the repairs may need to be done in sections. Nevertheless, a ballpark estimate may be possible this summer.

# **Information Item: Certified Local Government Annual Report**

Chair Rippy asked how often we had to fill out the report. Administrative Assistant Mendoza answered annually and has to be filled out and sent in a by November 2 of every year.

# 2021 Webinars and Virtual Workshops from History Colorado

Chair Rippy requested dates of each virtual workshop and asked if commission members would like to attend a few of them to get an idea on what is going on in other towns. Commissioner Copeland said she would like to attend the Mach 17, 2021 workshop. Commissioner Riddile said she would like to attend one as well.

## June 15, 2020 minutes

MOTION: Commissioner Copeland made the motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Riddile seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

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

The meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Commission Chair Steve Rippy

Administrative Assistant Remi Bordelon

