



MEETING OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD BOULDER COUNTY, COLORADO

Regular Meeting Minutes

September 7, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

Virtual HPAB Meeting

Board Members Present: Chuck Gray

Don Burd

Jason Emery

Elizabeth Gehring

David Hawes

Rachel Gart

Board Members

Marissa Ferreira

Excused:

Caitlin McKenna

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. by Vice Chair Chuck Gray.

2. **ROLL CALL**

3. **CITIZEN PARTICIPATION FOR ITEMS NOT OTHERWISE ON THE AGENDA**

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

4.1 Approval of meeting minutes from June 1, 2023

MOTION: David Hawes MOVED that the Boulder County Historic Preservation Advisory Board APPROVE the meeting minutes from June 1, 2023.

VOTE: Motion PASSED {5:0}

Don Burd joined the meeting at approximately 6:03 p.m.

5. **BUILDING PERMIT REVIEWS FOR STRUCTURES 50 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER**

6. OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 Bill Meyer will give an update on the Arapahoe Pillars

Bill Meyer of the Rotary Club gave an update on the pillars at Nine Mile Corner located at the intersection of Arapahoe Road and Highway 287. Bill provided historical context of the subject stating that in 2021, a new right turn lane was built with a raised pork-chop island, which caused the south pillar to be partially buried and greatly impacted the integrity of the pillar. As a result, CDOT created a working group comprised of various groups in the area to make a recommendation to mitigate the adverse impacts to the pillars. The working group recommended that the gateway pillars be relocated to the northwest corner. Work began on the relocation project this past spring, however, land owners of the property where the south pillar is located informed the working group that they were not willing to participate in the project. Without their participation, the relocation project isn't feasible, and a new plan for the pillars must be developed. Bill stated that there is an upcoming meeting with CDOT to discuss the next steps in the process, however, all alternatives that were previously considered are now being considered again. It is expected that this project will take years to complete.

Bill also stated that CDOT recently posted a sign in the area identifying the monument. CDOT is also planning to have landscaping work completed in the area to help rehabilitate the visual impact of the pillars. The Board discussed whether it would be an option to move the south pillar further south toward the retention pond. Bill stated that the working group is continuing to work on the project and he will continue to update the Board moving forward.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Richard Binzel - Lafayette, CO

6.2 Presentation by Carol Beam with Parks and Open Space - Riverside Ranch cultural resource survey project overview

Carol Beam with Boulder County Parks and Open Space gave a presentation on the Cultural Resource Survey Project that is being completed at Riverside Ranch and Hansen Open Space. She stated that this project is being completed now because Parks and Open Space will be completing a fuels reduction project on both properties in 2024, which will reduce the potential of a catastrophic wild fire that would greatly impact the community.

The Board discussed the work being done on the properties to cut trees down and inquired about whether the trees they cut down can be used for fence posts and logs.

Carol stated that she is currently working on writing another grant and inquired about whether the Board would write her a letter of support. The project is for the rehabilitation of Tucker Cabin, which is a cabin located on Caribou Road in Nederland. She stated that letters of support are critical for the the application process. The total cost of the project is estimated to be about \$65,000.00.

MOTION: Jason Emery MOVED that the Boulder County Historic Preservation Advisory Board APPROVE writing a letter in support of the project. SECOND: Chuck Gray VOTE: Motion PASSED {6:0}

7. ADJOURNMENT

The Boulder County Historic Preservation Advisory Board meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:28 p.m.