

**CRIPPLE CREEK HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING APRIL 8, 2014
MINUTES**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call.

Chairperson Petty called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. Commissioners Petty, Maberry, McDonald, Veatch, and Schechter were present. Commissioner Grainer was excused. HP & Planning Coordinator Stockton was present.

2. Approval of Minutes from Meeting on February 13, 2014.

Maberry moved to approve the minutes as written, Veatch seconded, and motion carried unanimously.

3. Historic Preservation Month Activities, Gold Camp Victorian Society, Howard Melching, President.

Staff stated that Howard Melching was present. Melching informed the Commission of upcoming events in May, Historic Preservation Month, which the Gold Camp Victorian Society (GCVS) has planned: Victorian Tea, May 3, at the historic Carr Manor; that evening is the Buckskin Ball at the historic Elks Lodge. The group will begin annual ambience walks on Saturdays dressed in historic clothing in order to interact with visitors about the history of Cripple Creek. There will be educational presentations of historic characters at Cresson Elementary and Lake George Charter School. The HPC thanked Melching and the GCVS for all they do to promote the City's history. There was no public comment.

4. Request for New Cell Phone Tower at Mt. Pisgah Cemetery Site.

Staff reported that a contractor had contacted the City for approval of increasing the current 32' AT&T tower in the cemetery to 120'. Concerns include visual impact in the PR (Preserve) zone and within the historic cemetery, high wind load, and interference with aircraft due to the height. Staff requested that the HPC discuss historic compatibility issues. Commissioners agreed that another location would be better, but if there are no alternatives, the visual impact in the cemetery may not be a large distraction and having improved cell phone coverage is an important service in this area. HPC asked staff to contact the contractor for more information and report at a future meeting before they could reach a decision. There was no public comment.

5. Update on 2014 HP Grant Program.

Staff stated that 10 grant applications had been received: 1 non-profit, 3 commercial, 6 residential. Staff is reviewing the submissions in order to summarize them for the HPC review. Staff has revised the grading forms to make them more effective and requested that two commissioners review the applications and full files in detail to grade the submissions in advance of the bus tour. Schechter and McDonald volunteered to assist with this. Summary packets (with grading included) will be available to all the commissioners by 4/18. The bus tour has been set for 4/25 with a work session following to decide on recommendations to City Council for awards. There was no public comment.

6. Review of Applicants for Appointment to HPC.

Staff stated that at the regular meeting on 3/19/14, the City Council reappointed the following HPC members:

- 1) Deborah Petty, Chairperson, 2-year term to expire 3/1/16.
- 2) Reed Grainger, Vice-Chairperson, 2-year term to expire 3/1/16.
- 3) Nancy McDonald, 1-year term to expire 3/1/15.
- 4) Steve Veatch, 1-year term to expire 3/1/15.
- 5) Nancy Schechter, 2-year term as a regular member, to expire 3/1/16.

The Council directed the HPC to rate the potential candidates from #1-4 for appointment of existing vacancies. Councilman Steve Zoellner was present as a liaison for the Council. Staff stated that there were only three candidates at this time; Mark Stohlman withdrew his name prior to this meeting. The candidates and the public left the room and candidates were called in one at a time. After a short interview with the three candidates, the HPC rated the candidates in order of preference and made the following recommendations to Council:

- 1) Steven Johnson, appoint as a regular member, 1-year term to expire 3/1/15.
- 2) Melissa Trenary, appoint as first alternate.
- 3) Mike Gross, appoint as second alternate.

Staff will present the recommendations to the Council at the next regular meeting on 4/16/14. There was no public comment.

7. Commission Comment. None.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:00 PM.