

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission held on Thursday, Thursday, July 25, 2024 at 4:30 p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room, 21 Williamson Avenue, Winslow, Arizona.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairperson Law
Commissioner Evans (Telephonically)
Commissioner Hartman
Commissioner Leary

MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioner Black
Commissioner Emigh
Commissioner Tsosie

STAFF

David Coolidge, City Manager
Ashley Salyers, Recording Secretary
Larrilynn Oso, Recording Secretary

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Law at 4:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and a moment of silence was observed. Roll was called and Commissioners Black, Emigh and Tsosie were absent.

Motion: Moved by Chairperson Law, seconded by Commissioner Leary, to excuse Commissioners Black, Emigh and Tsosie. Motion passed unanimously with Chairperson Law and Commissioners Evans, Hartman and Leary voting yes.

DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES – MAY 30, 2024

Motion: Moved by Commissioner Evans, seconded by Commissioner Leary, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously with Chairperson Law and Commissioners Evans, Hartman and Leary voting yes.

STATUS REPORTS

A. Update regarding the Historic Landmark Signage

Commissioner Leary advised the Commission that she met with Daniel Tafoya and the finished signs have been picked up and are ready to be painted. Commissioner Leary further advised that she is waiting for information regarding the meteor sculpture and she was only provided with an oral history regarding the St. Joseph's Church since the Diocese in Gallup did not have any information. Commissioner Evans suggested that there may be information in the church basement.

At the request of Commissioner Hartman, Commissioner Leary provided an update regarding the Windmill sign.

B. Update regarding BEMO Bank (Bank of the West)

Due to the absence of Commissioner Emigh, this item was tabled until the next meeting.

COMMISSION CONSIDERATION AND ACTION

A. Discussion and/or action regarding providing an Activity Update of Historic Preservation Commission Activities to Winslow City Council

After the City Manager stated that the City Council has requested an activity update from the commission, which will be included on August 13th agenda, there was a brief discussion regarding the presentation. Since Chairperson Law will not be available, it was the consensus of the Commission that Commissioner Evans would attend the meeting to provide the update to Council.

B. Discussion and/or action regarding National Park Service FY 2024 Historic Preservation Fund – Underrepresented Communities Grant Programs.

Chairperson Law referred to the information that was included in the packet and discussed details of the grant. Chairperson Law noted that he will be submitting the grant application which closes in August.

C. Discussion and/or action regarding the Historic Birthplace Cabin Which Includes the Application for Placement on the State Historic Registry

After discussion regarding the process for placing the Birthplace Cabin on the Historic Registry, the decision was made to proceed with sending the application to the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) after it has been reviewed by the Commission.

Chairperson Law made a motion that upon review the final document will be submitted to SHPO. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Leary and passed unanimously with Chairperson Law and Commissioners Evans, Hartman and Leary voting yes.

D. Discussion and/or action regarding research and potential for adding Vargas and Keaton Fields to the National Historic Registry

Commissioner Hartman provided information regarding the location of Vargas and Keaton Fields and there was a brief discussion regarding SHPO criteria for items to be placed on the registry. Commissioner Hartman stated that this project fits the mission of the Commission.

Commissioner Evans provided information regarding Anthony Gallendo and the park area near the Girl Scout House and there was discussion regarding the possibility of creating a historic district instead of separating the fields. Commissioner Leary and Chairperson Law responded to a question from the City Manager regarding the impact of placing the area in the registry.

After further discussion, Commissioner Hartman made a motion to approve the feasibility of making Vargas and Keaton Fields a Historic District. The motion was

seconded by Commissioner Leary and passed unanimously with Chairperson Law and Commissioners Evans, Hartman and Leary voting yes.

E. Discussion and/or action regarding State Historic Preservation Office Guidance

Chairperson Law advised the Commission that he had recently attended a SHPO Conference and stated that he feels that the previous practice of dividing projects among commission members could be more centralized so there is a team approach. Chairperson Law referred to the information from the conference related to a visual survey that is offered by SHPO and discussed details and benefits the survey including the need to educate the community regarding the process. Chairperson Law also noted that the city would have to request that a survey be conducted.

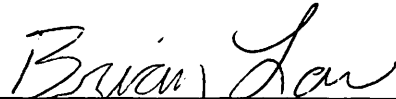
Chairperson Law then informed the Commission that SHPO offers training for Historic Preservation Commissions and there was discussion regarding possible dates that commission members would be available for a training session. It was determined that October 15th would work for the majority of the group.

DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION REGARDING FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Moved by Commissioner Evans, seconded by Commissioner Leary, to adjourn at 5:14 p.m. Motion passed unanimously with Chairperson Law and Commissioners Evans, Hartman and Leary voting yes.



Chairperson Law

ATTEST:



Ashley Salyers, Recording Secretary