

MEETING MINUTES
TOWN OF LYONS
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Thur., July 18, 2024 at 5:30pm

Location:

Lyons Community Library: Effie Banta

OR

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88956566050?pwd=bUx0L3cwWERtazNMc2tQKzFidEErZz09>

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- Roll Call: Grace Simonsen, Gil Sparks, Sarah Lorang, Paula Williams (BOT), Kristen Bruckner (Staff)
 - Guest: Sara Neustadtl, Mia, Chelsea
 - Absent: Lori Kran, Jen Wingard
- Approve Agenda and Minutes from Past Meeting
 - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1lgop9nhmpxmJIK67m9gQV05minLus9vL4YYp5BxQMYc/edit?usp=sharing>
 - Motion to Approve: Grace; 2nd: Gil
- Land Acknowledgement

In recognition of the social justice values that the town of Lyons upholds and models to our community, we acknowledge that we are located on the traditional land of the

Hinono'eino ("inuna-eyna")/Arapaho

Tsitsistas ("tsi-tsi-stahs")/Cheyenne

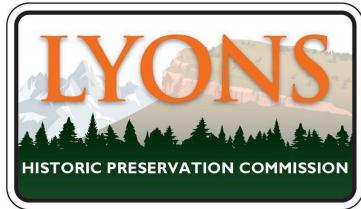
Nuuchi-u ("new-chew") Ute

Further, we recognize the 48 contemporary tribal nations that are historically tied to the lands that make up the state of Colorado.

We call upon the Ancestors and Living Elders who retain the sacred insights of this earth and how to care for it.

We respect the red sandstone foothills of the Front Range and the mighty river leading to the majestic western mountains.

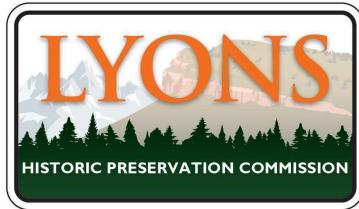
We respect the native plants and strive to help them thrive.



We respect the animals who co-exist with us.

May we understand our history in our efforts to heal the traumas of the past and present and to activate steps to manifest reparations now and into the future.

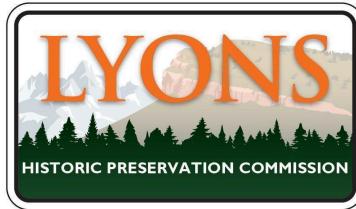
- Audience Business
- Staff Report
 - BOT would like HPC feedback on a charging station near the visitor center where a ramp/loading dock exists; built in the 1950s and has a sandstone facade.
 - Kristen has been working with Pinyon re: the CLG grant project. Survey went out and next deliverable is in September.
 - TOL has a new planner, Chelsea, who is taking on the GIS as a side project.
 - Post Cards made for art walk and distributed all around town; may make a history one as well.
 - Chelsea has been working with Eric at History Colorado re: the Ute Trail Marker
- Old Business
 - Historic Designation Program
 - Progress Report (Sarah) - [Depot designation hearing in tonight's agenda \(new business\)](#).
 - Designation Program and Process PPT: Click [HERE](#)
 - Next Steps: Conduct Hearing/Complete HPC Recommendation Report, BOT Vote, File with Town of Lyons, Boulder County and History Colorado
 - Tribal Connections
 - Progress Report: Lori -
 - i. Indigenous Collection Standards:
<https://sarweb.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/SMNA-C-Final-Document-June-2023.pdf>
 - ii. Chelsea and Mia are working on a project with the Redstone Museum; have been in contact with Cheyenne and Arapaho representatives.
 - CLG Historic Context Survey Grant ([Folder](#))
 - Progress Report: Sarah
 - i. Grant Management Document with Deadlines: [Link](#)
 - ii. Google Drive Folder with Town Research (largely completed by Yani): [Link](#)
 - Outline received from Pinyon re: March deliverables. [Link to Pinyon Outline](#)
 - Next deliverable due Sept 2024



- a. Documentation of Initial Public Outreach
Review/Comment and or Approve
- b. Draft Historic Context Review/Comment and or Approve

- New Business

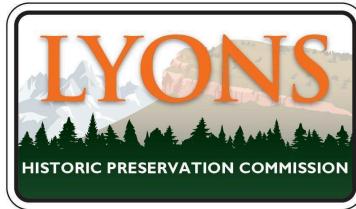
- 1) Lyons Depot Application Public Hearing
 - [HPC Recommendation Report](#) (Complete During Meeting)
 - Introduce the Property and Application
 - Public Comment (Record Speakers in the above report)
 - Eligibility Review
 - Integrity Evaluation
 - HPC Recommendation and Vote
 - Next Steps: BOT to adopt as an ordinance and record with Boulder County, Town of Lyons, and History Colorado
 - Discussion:
 - Reviewed the recommendation report; no additional feedback given
 - Motion to Locally Designate the Depot Building: Grace
 - 2nd: Gil
 - Vote: Unanimous
 - [Resolution Signed by Sarah](#)
- 2) Meeting Days/Times Preferences
 - Stick with 3rd Wednesday of the month at 5:30pm
- 3) Annual Election
 - Chairperson
 - Vice Chairperson
 - Secretary
 - Will postpone this discussion until next month or when all members are present.
- 4) Added Item: Discuss BOT's Request for Feedback on adding an EV charging station on the SE corner of Sandstone Park which would require removal of a loading dock ramp that was part of the old rail system (it has a marker from the 1950s).
 - Follow Up Details from Paula: Project Manager said the ramp would have to be completely removed at the town's expense; Engineers also indicated the ramp location would be more expensive. The alternative (east) location is less expensive and no trees will have to be removed.
 - Discussion:
 - Sarah: Believed that the HPC's purview is around determining if the ramp has historic significance; would suggest leaning on the Secretary of the Interior's guidelines for historic preservation for determination of that.



- Grace: Preferred the ramp location if the ramp would stay intact (or the historic elements) and there could be a wrap on the charging station celebrating the history of the location.
- Sarah: Some of the key elements to consider include:
 - Historical Significance: Determine if the ramp contributes to the understanding of the area's history. Does it have particular historical significance to Lyons, especially given its connection to the old rail system? Its marker from the 1950s suggests it might. (Structures 50 years or older qualify as 'historic'.)
 - Integrity: Assess the physical integrity of the ramp. Is it in good condition? Does it retain its original materials, design, and workmanship? The sandstone facade might be a significant aspect of its historical character, but the cement is likely not.
 - Context: Consider the ramp within the broader historical context of the area. Does it contribute to the historical landscape of Sandstone Park? Its relation to the rail system could be an aspect of this, especially considering the local designation of the Depot Building.
 - Public Engagement and Education: Think about the potential for public education. Can the ramp be used to educate residents and visitors about the local history and the old rail system? Is this something the Town wants to celebrate or highlight in the future?
- Sarah: Something also to consider about the Secretary of the Interior's guidelines is how they look at modifications, additions, etc. - there is a strong preference for changes that can be reversed. That is, if you added the charging station, could it be removed in the future with minimal or no damage to the historic elements of the structure.
- Sarah: HPC to discuss over email when Paula receives additional details on what would actually happen to the ramp (removal, modification, etc).

- Summary of Action Items
- Upcoming Meetings:
 - Wed., August 21, 2024 at 5:30pm (Effie Banta)
 - Wed., September 18, 2024 at 5:30pm (Effie Banta)
 - Wed., October 16, 2024 at 5:30pm
 - Wed., November 20, 2024 at 5:30pm
 - Wed., December 18, 2024 at 5:30pm
 - Wed., January 15, 2024 at 5:30pm
- Requested Agenda Items:
- Adjournment:

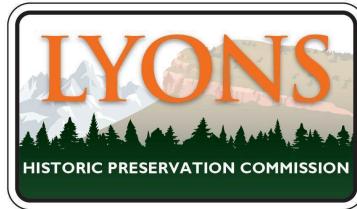
On-Going Projects



- Designation Program
- CLG Grant
- Lyons Tours and Distribution Methods (Physical Handouts + Online)
- Establish a system to build out the Town's cultural resources around its pre-settlement history. Specifically learning more about the Ute, Arapaho, and Cheyenne tribes. The HPC will be mindful of integrating the lenses of race, ethnicity, race, and gender in the study of the history of the Town.
- GIS Mapping / General Town Survey
- Historic Preservation Commission Website
 - Updated HPC Site: [Outline](#), [TOL HPC Site](#)
 - Updated Walking Tour Descriptions:
 - [Current Walking Tour](#) (Redstone)
 - [Updated Walking Tour, Sept 2023](#) (Redstone + HPC + Targeted Properties for Research)
 - [Folder with Additional Walking Tour-Related Information](#)
- Collaboration Possibilities with the Lyons Chamber of Commerce
 - Kristin Frances is working with the library on Lit Fest (6/8)
 - (Lori) Met with Kristen to discuss possibility of getting multiple commissions to plan an event:
 - Garden Tour - Estes Park Grants
 - Plant Sale
 - Garage Sale
 - PorchFest
 - Kids Selling Things
 - Food Trucks
 - Used Book Sale (Library)

2024 Budget

- Request #1 Description: Certified Local Government (CLG) Subgrant: Historic Context Survey, Local Match Requirement (5.67% of Grant); Deadline for completion of Historic Context Survey is April 1, 2025.
 - Amount \$1500.00
- Request #2 Description: Funds to design and create bronze plaques for property owners who choose to designate their property as a Historic Property, recognized by the Town of Lyons and State of Colorado. The plaques would be displayed on the exterior of the property, identifying it as a Local Landmark. The City of Longmont issues a plaque like



the one below. Rough cost estimates are \$125 p/plaque; the requested budget is for 5 properties to be designated in 2024.

- Amount \$625.00
- Request #3 Description: Funds to organize and host 2-3 porch talks in 2024. Topics would likely focus on historic properties (to support the HPC's work in rolling out our Historic Designation Program) and/or the History of Lyons (to support the HPC's work on the Historic Context Survey Grant).
 - Amount \$1000.00

2023 Review

- \$25,000 Grant Started
- Land Acknowledgement
- Designation Process
- GIS Markers - Walking Tour
- Website

2024 Goal Setting

- We must attend a SHPO-approved training at least once per year
- We will have our first CLG evaluation in 2024 (it's every 4 years)
- Depot Building Designation + Plaque
- Town Hall Designation
- Roll Out Designation Program to the Public
- GIS with Historical Markers
- Historic Landscaping - Native Plants, Sustainable
- Website Build Out
- Coordinate with Redstone for Indigenous Display