

**MEETING MINUTES  
TOWN OF LYONS  
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMITTEE  
Wed., August 21, 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: Lori Kran, Grace Simonsen, Sarah Lorang, Jen Wingard, Sara Neustadt, Paula Williams (BOT), Kristen Bruckner (Staff)
  - Guest(s): N/A
  - Absent: Gil Sparks
- Approve Agenda and Minutes from Past Meeting
  - [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ooELnrtaZkBVqrGl64ZPt1D4diInYLWO/edit?usp=drive\\_link&ouid=115212202225713174406&rtpof=true&sd=true](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ooELnrtaZkBVqrGl64ZPt1D4diInYLWO/edit?usp=drive_link&ouid=115212202225713174406&rtpof=true&sd=true)
  - Motion to Approve: Sarah; 2nd Grace
- 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*

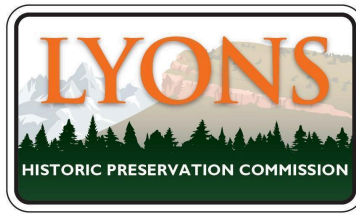
*Further, we recognize the 48 contemporary tribal nations that are historically tied to the lands that make up the state of Colorado.*

*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.*

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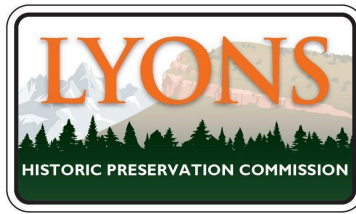
*We respect the animals who co-exist with us.*

*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
  - 1st reading of the preservation ordinance for the Depot took place on Mon., 8/19
  - 2nd reading will take place on September 3rd, then the 30 day waiting period begins. It would be great if HPC members could plan on attending, but it will be a late meeting (reading likely won't happen until 9pm or later).
  - Met with representatives of the Arapaho tribes (WY) and discussed finding opportunities for children of the tribe to visit Lyons (related to trail maker)
- Old Business
  - EV Charging Station at Old Depot Loading Dock (at Sandstone)
    - BOT Update - The BOT voted to install the EV charging station on the eastern end of Sandstone Park, leaving the loading ramp untouched.
    - *Potential Future Project - Create some sort of signage for the ramp to explain its prior use and history.*
  - Historic Designation Program
    - Progress Report (Sarah)
    - Designation Program and Process PPT: Click [HERE](#)
    - Next Steps: BOT Vote, File with Town of Lyons, Boulder County and History Colorado
      - i. Reviewed plaque options for Depot (and Town Hall) - determined that a generic plaque similar to Longmont's would be best.
      - ii. Sarah to get quotes for a custom plaque for Lyons; preference for local artisans. (Potential Sources: Boulder Works/Charles Mason (Stickney Example), Michael Healy Designs (Longmont Plaque), and ceramic plaques similar to those found in Victor, CO.
      - iii. Goal is to purchase and receive plaques before EOY in order to utilize our budgeted funds.

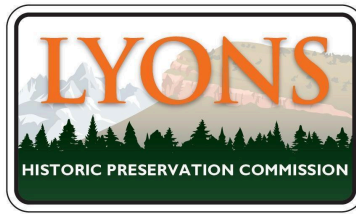


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- Tribal Connections
  - Progress Report: Lori -
    - i. Indigenous Collection Standards: <https://sarweb.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/SMNA-C-Final-Document-June-2023.pdf>
- CLG Historic Context Survey Grant ([Folder](#))
  - Progress Report: Kristen
    - 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
        - c. We are expecting a draft of this soon.
- New Business
  - 1) 2025 Budget Request Form Due
    - [Link to 2024 Request Form](#) - HPC was granted all requested budget items.
    - Budget request is due on September 13th
      - DRAFT budget Request Form (will submit closer to deadline to share more information on the 2024 budget): <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1w82fM59Mb9IWKXNMnxZA0Byhb1Nm50i/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=115212202225713174406&rtpof=true&sd=true>
      - The Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) discussed and approved the allocation of its 2024 budget, amounting to \$1,000. The Commission agreed to hire a representative from local Native American tribes through a contract consulting agreement. This individual will provide expertise and guidance on ways to honor and preserve Native American heritage within the community. Specific opportunities include consultations on a trail marker at Lavern Johnson Park and a new exhibit at the Redstone Museum, both planned for 2025.
      - For 2025, the HPC voted to request a budget of \$2,000. These funds will support community engagement initiatives in collaboration with local Native American tribes, including the Arapaho, Ute, and Cheyenne. Planned events include a ceremonial dedication for the trail marker at Lavern Johnson Park and the unveiling of Native American artifacts at the Redstone Museum. The Commission intends to hire local tribes to provide traditional dance and music, enriching the events with authentic cultural

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expressions. A portion of these funds will also support the rollout of the local historic designation program and the completion of the Historic Context Survey Grant, expected by April 2025.

■ Motions:

- Motion to Approve: Lori
- Seconded: Sarah
- Vote: Approved Unanimously
- BOT Budget Approval is happening on October 19th

2) Protecting Lyons' Historic Main Street

- Discuss vehicles to protect historic structures on Main Street (regardless of designation) - more detail can be found [HERE](#).
  - Historic Preservation Overlay District
  - Demolition Delay Ordinance
  - Regulation Through Design Guidelines
  - Certified Local Government (CLG) Program
- Determine if the HPC would like to take next steps
- The HPC unanimously agreed upon the need to protect existing structures on Main Street, and further determined that a historic preservation zoning overlay seemed like the best mechanism to do so; Jen will work with the PCDC to determine next steps and how the HPC should proceed.
- Sarah to explore if there are available grants for preservation of Main Street with History Colorado

3) Annual Election

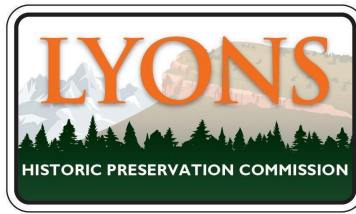
- Chairperson
- Vice Chairperson
- Secretary
- This item was postponed due to time constraints and missing members.

4) Land Acknowledgement - Lack of Actionable Goals

- Engage with Tribal Representatives for Guidance (Chelsea/Mia might be able to assist with this.)
- Develop/Identify Actionable Goals for Q4 and 2025 (\$1000 Porch Talk Budget)
  - Lori to connect with the Arapaho representative (Crystal Seabearing) Kristen met with to assist with a plan for meaningful engagement with the HPC on how to better honor their heritage. Our goal is to have options and estimates presented before the Sept HPC meeting on how to best utilize our 2024 budget, and do the same for the 2025 budget.

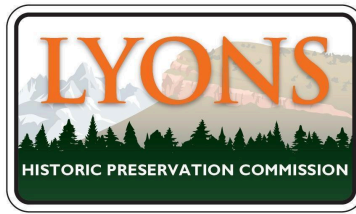
5) Good Old Days Banner

- Referral to LAHC - The LAHC typically oversees matters related to public art, cultural representation, and community aesthetics. The LAHC is well-positioned to evaluate whether the messaging of public banners aligns with the town's values and community standards.
- Joint Discussion with LAHC



- Next LAHC Meeting is on September 10th (4:30pm) - Lori and Sarah (and other HPC Members if available) to attend and speak. Lori to prepare thoughts. Objective is to align with the LAHC prior to presenting to the BOT.
  - The consensus of the HPC was that we should not be using the language, "Good Old Days", and are requesting that the BOT direct staff to remove that language from Town materials. While the HPC finds it important to celebrate Lyons' history, we must still consider the broader context and consider all perspectives.
- Summary of Action Items
  - Sarah to collect quotes for a Historic Landmark plaques for Lyons and present at the Sept HPC meeting
  - Sarah to submit budget request form to the Town prior to September 13th - DRAFT linked [HERE](#). Will add updates regarding 2024 budget spend as we learn more.
  - Jen to coordinate with the PCDC to determine next steps on a zoning overlay or something similar designed to protect Main Street; will present a suggested course of action at Sept HPC meeting
  - Sarah to explore if there are available grants for preservation of Main Street with History Colorado
  - Lori to connect with Crystal Seabearing (Arapaho) to consult with us to develop a plan for meaningful engagement with the HPC on how to better honor their heritage. Our goal is to have options and estimates presented before the Sept HPC meeting on how to best utilize our 2024 budget, and do the same for the 2025 budget.
  - Lori, Sarah, and any other available HPC Members to attend the 9/10 (4:30pm) LAHC meeting to raise concerns about use of the language "Good Old Days" and determine next steps to present to the BOT. Next steps to be discussed in Sept HPC meeting.
- Upcoming Meetings:
  - Wed., September 18, 2024 at 5:30pm (Effie Banta)
  - Wed., October 16, 2024 at 5:30pm (Effie Banta)
  - Wed., November 20, 2024 at 5:30pm (Effie Banta)
  - Wed., December 18, 2024 at 5:30pm
  - Wed., January 15, 2025 at 5:30pm
  - Wed., February 19, 2025 at 5:30pm
  - Wed., March 19, 2025 at 5:30pm
  - Wed., April 16, 2025 at 5:30pm
  - Wed., May 21, 2025 at 5:30pm
- Requested Agenda Items:
- Adjournment:

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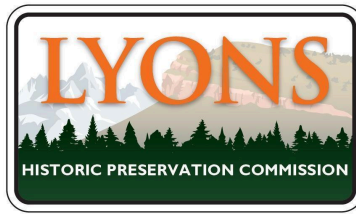
## On-Going Projects

- 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

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- 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

### **DRAFT 2025 Goal Setting**

- Potential Future Project - Create some sort of signage for the Sandstone ramp to explain its prior use and history.
- Potential Community Event - Trail Marker Ceremony with Dancers
- Potential Community Event - Celebration of New/Updated Native American Artifacts Collection at the Redstone with tribe members/families.