



**MEETING NOTES
HISTORICAL COMMISSION
FEBRUARY 21, 2025
10:00 AM
SUPERIOR COMMUNITY CENTER
1500 COALTON ROAD**

This meeting will be held in person and online. Members of the public may [participate in the meeting via Zoom](#) or [view the meeting on YouTube](#) (closed captioning available). The recording of the meeting will be made available after the meeting on [YouTube](#) and at [SuperiorColorado.gov](#)

1. Call Meeting to Order
At 10:05 a.m. Chairman Larry Dorsey called the meeting to order.
2. Preliminary Matters
 - a. Roll Call
Present: Larry Dorsey; Dalton Valette; Mary Cartwright; Maureen Hogg; Scott Phillips; Susan Stanish; Errol (Wally) Waligorski; Karen Waligorski
Absent: Jill Roberts
Staff present: Jennifer Garner “JG”, Arts & Historical Programs Supervisor
Council Liaison present: Heather Cracraft
Guest(s): Paul Gibbs
 - b. Approval of Agenda
Mary moved to approve the agenda and Karen seconded.
Unanimously approved.
 - c. Public Comment (limit 5 minutes/person)
There was none.
3. General Updates, Debriefing & Discussion Items
 - a. Updates
 - i. Correspondence, completed/required
Mary said “thank you” notes had been sent to Gladys Forshee for a special Christmas ornament. One will be sent to the Tovado family and to Bill Reich.
 - ii. Marshall Fire Remembrance, all advisory group subcommittee, via CAPS
Dalton reported that the subcommittee’s recommendations will be presented at the next Town Council meeting. If the Council agrees, then an RFQ will be published in regard to the architecture and landscape design of the remembrance. Once a design is determined, the next step will be fundraising for the remembrance project.
 - iii. RFI log and Mass Media list
The group confirmed to Maureen there have been no new requests for historic information. She distributed a possible wording to respond to incoming SHC e-mails should one be made. JG reiterated that herself or SHC leadership should be the only persons responding to SHC inquiries for consistency purposes.

- iv. Town guest services associate (GSA) help with collection management
JG said Kathryn Jenks, a GSA at the Community Center, is interested in assisting the SHC with donation processing. She met with Karen for about an hour on identifying and tagging donations. JG said Kathryn could help with this ongoing project and also begin to enter items into CatalogIt including photos as her time allows.

- v. Donor(s)

- 1. Lions Club

- JG has met with Daryl McCool regarding content for the programmed screen that will be at the Asti Museum. Also, Bob McCool and Bob from the Lions Club are still coordinating the expense to cover this.

- 2. Recent donations from Bill Reich; other

- Bill Reich has donated miscellaneous iron pieces found along railroad tracks within Boulder County. Karen is in contact with the donor of a second radio.

- Jill Blaylock, a descendent of a miner killed in the Industrial Mine, also has items and photos to donate to our museum.

- b. Debriefing

- i. February 1 open museum day

- This was well attended with the Asti Museum having 27 or so visitors and the Grasso Museum having 7.

- ii. Heritage Roundtable

- Larry said the focus of this month's meeting was on the Square Nail Awards to be at Chautauqua on May 12.

- c. Discussion Items

- i. Leadership elections

- After the completion of some tough campaigning, Scott moved that Larry Dorsey and Dalton Valette be elected as Co-chairpersons, Karen Waligorski be elected as Vice-chairperson and Mary Cartwright be elected as Secretary with Susan Stanish (to be observing that role with an eye to helping in the future) and Wally seconded.

- Unanimously approved.*

- ii. Stipend for Spring Program guest speaker (vote)

- After discussion, Larry moved that the guest speaker, Mary Reilly McNellan, be given a \$50.00 stipend in thanks for her presentation and Wally seconded. *Unanimously approved.*

- iii. Indigenous Connections Summit fee for one SHC member (vote)

- Scott is able to attend this Summit in Golden. Mary moved that the fee of \$260 be approved and Dalton seconded. *Unanimously approved.*

- iv. QR codes and collaboration with CAPS

- CAPS wants to create plaques, placards or small signs for the Town's public art collection that would include QR codes. The codes would provide more information on the artwork around Superior. SHC has discussed a similar endeavor over the years to help give visitors background for the historical buildings and, more recently, potentially homes that were lost in the Marshall Fire. All seemed in favor of the collaboration with

CAPS and Larry suggested an app, “Pocket Sights” that may of use for, or in addition to, this project.

- v. Status of application for Grasso Park National Register
JG stated that Jill had sent a request for a review of the application back in December and due to the busyness of the holidays and little response, asked that Larry and Scott serve a working group to review and provide advice to Jill. JG provided Boulder County property information. Larry said that in its current state, some of the history on this application is incorrect, specifically that the information outlines the bungalow’s exterior materials should reflect the renovation in the early 2000’s. Scott stated the application needs to be more robust, giving reasons Superior wants this site to be on the National Register.
 - vi. Three-fold brochure, “fascinating facts” sheet, reprint Ted Asti article
Maureen expressed that she thought it would be good to have the brochure reprinted (amended if needed) and have them available at the grand reopening of the Asti Museum. After a discussion it was agreed that this was a good idea but felt that laminated copies visitors could read and leave at the museum would be better than printed copies for takeaway and also prevent costly printing. Mary thought something similar for the outbuildings at Grasso Park would be helpful as well. JG suggested “docent documents” and that a subcommittee (or working group) could be in place to work on these proposed handouts. After discussion, Dalton volunteered to work with Maureen on SHC written documents.
 - vii. Mid-month work session
This has been set for March 14th at 10:00- at Asti.
 - viii. Council-Committee Dinners, choose two possible dates: Mar 3,10, 24; Apr 14, 28; May 12, June 2
A check of dates with other historical and community events narrowed the proposed dates for the SHC for the above to either June 2 or June 23 but JG wasn’t certain the 23rd was available so it’s most likely the SHC dinner will be on June 2.
- d. Upcoming Events
- i. March 1 museum open
This will be staffed as usual, SHC members available for both sites.
 - ii. Annual Spring Program “If these Stones Could Talk: Tales from the Columbia Cemetery” at the Superior Community Center on March 12 at 7 p.m.
JG iterated that the same screen, projector and speakers that was used for the fall program would be set up for this program. Mary suggested having cookies for visitors and this was agreed upon.
 - iii. Asti Park grand opening
This has been set for June 14 and JG will work with Leslie Clark for getting the date onto the Council calendar. More details will be worked on later.
 - iv. Next ANFRM is April 14 in Louisville, 1-3 p.m.
No comments were made about this agenda item.
 - v. ANFRM looking for June 16 host
Due to the grand opening on the June 14, the group felt that Superior could not host this meeting, but perhaps could do so in the fall.

e. Staff Updates

i. Internship inquiry and status

Commission members suggested ways Jade's time could be utilized including working on the information to be shared with second-graders visiting the museums and helping to organize borrowed exhibits from History Colorado. If she does come on board she will work directly with JG and could/should be mentored by one or two SHC members. If the latter works out, the SHC member(s) would need to have a background check through the Town.

ii. Grasso barn cleanout

JG said this has been completed and the buildings will be put on a regular maintenance schedule. The broken window above the barn door is yet to be repaired but she has submitted a request for that work.

4. Work Plan Check-in

The SHC is on schedule.

5. Other

Larry reminded us that he will be meeting with Jill Blaylock at the Asti Museum to look at potential donations on February 28th.

6. Adjourn

At 12:00 p.m. Scott moved that the meeting be adjourned and Wally seconded.

Unanimously approved.

Next meeting: Friday, March 21, 2025, 10:00 a.m. at the Superior Community Center