



**Meeting Notes
Superior Historical Commission (SHC)
Friday, November 21, 2025
10:00 a.m.
Superior Community Center
1500 Coalton Road**

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

1. Call Meeting to Order
Dalton Valette called the meeting to order at 10:11 a.m.
2. Preliminary Matters
 - a. Roll Call
Present: Larry Dorsey, Karen Waligorski, Errol (Wally) Waligorski, Mary Cartwright, Scott Phillips, Dalton Valette, Maureen Hogg, Jill Roberts, Susan Stanish
Absent:
Staff Present: Jennifer “JG” Garner, Arts & History Supervisor
Town Council representative present: Heather Cracraft
Guests: Paul Gibbs
 - b. Approval of Agenda – motion made by Jill, seconded by Mary. Agenda approved.
 - c. Public Comment (limit 5 minutes/person)
 - d. Guest: Mary Peebles, NSDAR Indian Peaks Chapter (in person)
 - i. She is their chair for historic preservation. She provided background on the NSDAR organization. They provide grants to organizations for a variety of historic preservation projects. The maximum grant is \$10,000 and smaller grants are encouraged. Each application must be accompanied by sponsorship from a local NSDAR member. Grantees need to be an official charitable organization, like a 501(c)(3). She told the group to feel free to reach out for additional information.
 - e. Guest: Matthew Placzek per miner memorial design (via Zoom)
 - i. The group discussed the two proposed designs Matthew has developed. First one: height is 6’ tall, has a shovel, is more symmetrical. Second one is a miner who is more in motion. Per

Larry, the shovel in both designs doesn't look like a coal shovel. The lunch pail also isn't quite right but could be altered. The group likes the depiction of an older, tired face vs someone too young looking. The group was generally positive about both designs but most preferred the second one (miner in motion vs standing still). The group prefers the attire to be overalls, no coat, and pants tucked into boots. Boots should be without laces. Matthew will make adjustments and provide another rendering before proceeding.

3. Work Plan Check-in

a. Discussion Items

i. Completion of 2026 Annual Work Plan

- Discussion of draft. Maureen proposed inviting a relative of someone buried in the cemetery to join us on one of our open days. Scott said it would be good if we could tie some of our plans to the Town Comprehensive Plan. Jill suggested we make item #1.f (development of a Preservation Plan) a high priority, perhaps something we could work on in Q1. Jill and Scott suggested we could initiate a work group to focus on how we could create a Preservation Plan. As far as Bloomberg Connect, we will tentatively explore that in Q4. The group discussed adding the exploration of 501(c)(3) status as a Q1 action item. Maureen discussed ideas regarding the implementation of the Scroll & Stroll walking tour. Various edits were made to items in the Quarterly Breakdowns. Scott suggested we may want to develop some kind of event timeline for the year to help keep us on track for planning through the year. The group decided to add an action item for Q1 to assign an SHC liaison with historic museums in Louisville, Lafayette, and Broomfield to explore outreach. Dalton and JG will clean up the draft and send out for review with finalization at the next meeting.

ii. December meeting and possible holiday luncheon

- Discussion regarding pros and cons of going out to eat versus just holding a meeting with snacks. Decision is to meet at 10:00 normal time, then 11:00 onward will be a work session / holiday celebration at a local restaurant. The location for the lunch will be voted on via email.

iii. Cemetery quarterly 2026 open days and hours - TBD

b. Upcoming Events

- i. December 6 open museums, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- ii. December 12 work session, 10 a.m. – we decided to change this to December 5

4. General Updates, & Debriefing

a. Debriefing

- i. November 1 open museum & cemetery – we had good turnout for both museums and the cemetery

- ii. November 7 work session – we spent productive time at the storage unit evaluating the items there
- 5. Staff Updates
 - i. November Budget report – traditionally the donation amount doesn't roll over but we may be able to make a carry-over adjustment
 - ii. Privy painting and completion – the privy is completely done; JG decided to move forward with having the painting done by Deep Roots so SHC commissioners would not have to do this themselves during a cold weather timeframe
- 6. Other: in the interest of time, the group agreed to move any discussion related to the items below, many of which were discussed earlier during the meeting, to our next meeting
 - i. Heritage Roundtable and ANFRM
 - ii. Donor(s), Lions Club, & recent donations
 - iii. Correspondence, completed/required
 - iv. Collection management: Superior Storage items
 - v. Marshall Fire Remembrance, all advisory group subcommittee, via CAPS
 - vi. Marshall fire exhibit at Asti Museum and 5th Anniversary
 - vii. RFI log and Mass Media list
 - viii. Stroll and Scroll Walking Tour; review copy content
 - ix. QR code signage and partnership with CAPS
 - x. Volunteer update
 - xi. 2026 Annual Spring Program planning
- 7. Adjourn – motion to adjourn was made by Scott and seconded by Wally. The motion was passed.

Next meeting: Friday, December 19, 2025, location TBD