



Meeting Notes
Superior Historical Commission (SHC)
Friday, July 17, 2026
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 – called to order by Dalton Valette at 10:04 a.m.
2. Preliminary Matters
 - a. Roll Call
Present: Larry Dorsey, Dalton Valette, Mary Cartwright, Susan Stanish, Scott Phillips, Maureen Hogg, Jill Roberts
Not present: Karen Waligorski, Errol (Wally) Waligorski
Staff Present: Jennifer “JG” Garner, Arts & History Supervisor
Town Council liaison present: Heather Cracraft
Guests: Paul Gibbs; Jeanne Barrett
 - b. Approval of Agenda – motion to approve by Mary; seconded by Scott; approved by all
 - c. Public Comment (limit 5 minutes/person) - none
3. General Updates, & Debriefing
 - a. Updates
 - i. Correspondence, completed/required
 - Mary wrote thank you notes for donations of baby scale and soap box and thanks-but-no-thanks for donated wood embers
 - Jill wrote to the Weckers and Jim Lastoka about items we want to return to them
 - ii. Marshall Fire Remembrance subcommittee
 - Per Dalton, meeting this week with Louisville City Council; council members Cracraft and Miller were there as well as JG; architects and designers presented current plans; city council members from Louisville asked some questions; consensus was they liked the design and are

looking at potential ways to partner with us on this; next meeting of the subcommittee will be in August

iii. RFI log and Mass Media list

- Per Maureen, she distributed via email a recent update

iv. Volunteer(s)

- Dalton will contact Nancy Thomas about availability to help with August museum open days

v. Donor(s), Lions Club, & recent donations

- Per JG, Larry discovered one of the donated trees was not doing well so JG sent a Parks staff person to look at it along with Vargas; they ended up replacing that tree and are deep watering all trees
- Per Larry, we need to make a decision about the grandfather clock offered by Leslie Clark and also the two irons that have been offered; we will discuss the clock separately when we discuss the repair of the existing clock; per group discussion SHC decided to accept both the clocks

vi. Collection management

- Per Jill, we continue to move forward with organizing; she discovered a source of bugs in the Asti basement which was too much space under the door; Parks staff has now mitigated this with a better weather strip

vii. History Colorado Affiliates

- Per Jill, no session this month; it will be back next month

viii. Digital screens

- Per Dalton, no updates on this due to his travels, etc.

b. Debriefing

i. July 4th event booth and fire truck

- Per participants, things went well; few requests to enter the fire truck; booth attendance was good and visitors were highly engaged
- Per JG, thanks to Scott and Kathryn for taking many family photos in front of the fire truck

ii. July 10 work session

- Per Jill, the team did a lot of regrouping and organizing of materials in the Asti basement to prepare for additional cataloging and scanning

iii. Art Source framing status

- Per Larry, he picked up the Drumm map from Art Source and took it to North Broadway to Boulder Fine Art for a copy to be made, then he took it back to Art Source; they want it to be checked by SHC before they give it to us permanently; we will store the copy at Asti rolled in acid-free paper; Mary will go with Larry for the review

iv. Heritage Roundtable and ANFRM

- Per Larry, he didn't attend yesterday's Heritage Roundtable
- Per Jill, the most recent ANFRM was a summer social and more casual; they are concerned about adequate

ongoing participation and the future of the organization but they will likely not make a decision before January

v. Preservation Plan work group

- Per Dalton, he and Scott presented an outline at the last meeting; they have met once since then and have sent an expanded version with an executive summary to JG; next steps will be to determine allocation of budget so we can have a consultant help us write the whole plan; Dalton will send out draft for review by the Commission

4. Work Plan Check-in

a. Discussion Items

i. Next cemetery open day

- Per Dalton, there were a lot of people at the cemetery on the day of the opening of Central Park
- Per discussion by the group, next open day will be Saturday, September 5 with hours of 9:00-11:00 a.m. to help beat the heat

ii. Wall of Fame; Superior milestones project for museum; include Home Rule documentation

- Per Maureen, she suggested possibly displaying at SCC or Superior Civic space; JG noted there isn't enough space in either location; we may revisit adding to the work plan for potentially displaying at SCC after the remodel is completed

iii. Walking Tour/Scroll & Stroll and QR code signage project

- Per Dalton, no major updates; we have the Lions Club signs with QR codes but we still need to determine exact sites and language

iv. Clock repair (vote)

- Per Jill, we want to display the clock from the basement but it currently doesn't work; we could have it repaired to display it as working or we could choose to just display it as not working
- Scott suggested we at least get an estimate on how much it would cost to repair and whether it has all the parts it would need for repair; Jill will find an expert vendor who could provide such an estimate
- The group discussed acceptance of the Leslie Clark family clock; Mary suggested we could possibly move the newer display case in Grasso 90 degrees out and put the clock against the wall; consensus is that we do want the clock; we will spend time at next month's work session determining ideal location

v. Grasso Park exhibit and space rearrange

- Per item iv above, see discussion on clock donation acceptance

vi. Possible recommendation to Council to move forward with a land acknowledgement and relationship with the Northern Arapaho.

- The group discussed how we might initiate these things; Dalton has contact information for Right Relations

organization in Boulder and that could be the best place to start

- Per Scott, the tribes are more used to working on a government-to-government basis versus a community history organization, so we would want to include representation from the Town Council involved

vii. Potential museum programming for August 1 and Colorado 150 Day

- Potential ideas discussed by the group included ordering a cake with a flag of Colorado design; having water available in a jug; JG can arrange for paper plates, napkins, and cups
- The group discussed having the fire truck available at Grasso that day as well and also brainstormed ideas for placement of the large banner celebrating U.S. 250/Colorado 150
- Larry moved we approve an expense of up to \$75 for the cake; motion was seconded by Scott; motion passed unanimously; JG will order it (probably a full sheet cake)

b. Upcoming Events

i. August 1 museums open

- For staffing, Scott will be at Asti in the a.m.; Larry requested an early start to get fire truck moved with help from either Wally or Scott; Susan can be at Grasso at 10:00; Mary at Grasso, Jill will be at Grasso and go wherever needed; JG will also see if Kathryn is available to assist that day

ii. August 14 work session, 10a.m. – 12 noon

- Per group, we will meet at Grasso for rearranging decisions

iii. August 17 SHC hosts ANFRM; Town Hall 1-3 p.m.

- Per Jill, program is “Lessons Learned from the Marshall Fire”; the panel is Clint Folson, JG, maybe Lydia, Larry, and Mary; Jill has prepped agenda and discussion questions to guide the conversation; per Jill we don’t have to worry about snacks because ANFRM said they will handle it

5. Staff Updates

i. Grasso grant status

- Per JG, we decided to go with two assessments, meaning we’ve invited two businesses to assess the structures and give us a basic estimate into what the repairs would cost so we could plug that into the grant request; the two firms are Scheuber and Darden and Deep Roots; History Colorado will do a site visit with JG and our grant writer; then we will start writing; grant is due in October

ii. Update to Asti interpretive sign

- Per JG, no updates right now but it is still on the list for middle of August

- iii. Cemetery fencing
 - Per JG, on the list for Parks staff do carefully check the fencing and see where we are with weeds
- iv. Reminder: August through November meetings will be held at Town Hall due to construction at the Community Center

6. Other

- a. Per JG, the Gardeners Unite group will be working on a project at Asti Park tomorrow (Saturday) from 10-12.
 - b. Per Mary, Scott and Dalton found a brass frame at the cemetery that apparently held a tomb marker; per Jill, it has now been accepted as “found in collection” and catalogued
 - c. Per JG, she is asking the artist working on the miner sculpture to join one of our upcoming meetings to provide an update
7. Adjourn – motion to adjourn made by Mary; seconded by Susan; motion approved; meeting adjourned by Dalton at 11:58 a.m.

Next meeting: Friday, August 21, 2026, at Town Hall