



HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING

City Council Chambers, 33 East Broadway Avenue Meridian, Idaho

Thursday, July 24, 2025 at 4:30 PM

MINUTES

ROLL-CALL ATTENDANCE

☒ Blaine Johnston, Chair

☒ Patrick Gittings, Vice Chair

☐ (Vacant)

☒ Ken Freeze

☐ (Vacant - Youth)

☒ Debra Pitts

☒ Heather Giacomo

City Staff Cassandra Schiffler (Arts and Culture Coordinator), Sarah Alford (Arts Assistant), and William Nary (City Attorney) were present.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

K. Freeze motioned to adopt the agenda and P. Gittings seconded.

All ayes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES [ACTION ITEM]

1. **Approve:** Minutes from the 6-26-25 Meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission

P. Gittings motioned to approve and K. Freeze seconded.

All ayes.

OLD BUSINESS [ACTION ITEMS]

2. **Historic Walking Tours:** July 19 Tour led by Johnston, Pitts; August 16 needs Commissioners

Nine citizens attended the walking tour. It was about 1 hour and 19 min. with the Pine Street School stop. They are still in need of volunteers to lead the August walking tour.

3. **Updates:** Addition to the Virtual Tour on Main Street Site by HullFilm

C. Schiffler stated HullFilm is almost done with the Virtual Tour and once C. Schiffler receives the draft she will send it to the commission for feedback.

4. Updates: Potential National Historic Register Nomination of the Zamzows Mill

B. Johnston said he has not heard back from Zamzows.

5. Updates: Section 106 Review Regarding an Adverse Effect to the Eightmile Lateral

B. Johnston and C. Schiffler attended the meeting and one of the ideas presented was to give funds to SHPO who is already in the process of doing a study on historic laterals. An MOU has been executed and the Developer will give SHPO \$2,000 towards that long term study.

6. Updates: Historic Preservation Plan Progress

C. Schiffler has work to do on the Goals, Objectives, and Strategies of the Plan to proceed with the Preservation Plan. Otherwise, there are no updates.

7. Updates: Elongated Coin Machine

K. Freeze stated V. Ivanov (Library Assistant Director) is interested in installing the coin machine at the Cherry Lane Library, but they don't want to pursue the project until after they finish renovations in 2026. B. Johnston said he spoke to C. Schiffler, and the Mayor's Office is in favor of the coin machine, but they would like the commission to research finding a sponsor to fund it. B. Johnston volunteered to reach out to potential donor. C. Schiffler stated the Mayor suggested reaching out to Josh Everts, owner of the Heritage Building and the Vault as a potential sponsor since they might be on one of the coins and it might be a good location for the coin machine.

NEXT MEETING: AUGUST 28, 2025

ADJOURNMENT [ACTION ITEM]

K. Freeze motioned to adjourn and P. Gittings seconded.

All ayes.