

1 **New Castle, Colorado**
2 **Historic Preservation Commission Meeting**
3 **Monday, September 15, 2025, 6:30 PM**

4 **Call to Order**

5 Commission Chair Mari Riddile called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

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7 **Pledge of Allegiance**

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9 **Roll Call**

10 Present Chair Mari Riddile
11 Commissioner Richard Parks
12 Commissioner Ruth Fletcher
13 Commissioner Richard Fletcher

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16 Absent Commissioner Brandy Copeland
17 Alternate Commissioner Tom Fuller

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20 **Meeting Notice**

21 Professional Assistant to the Town Clerk, Michelle Huster verified that her office gave
22 notice of the meeting in accordance with Resolution TC 2024-1.

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24 **Conflicts of Interest**

25 There were no conflicts of interest.

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27 **Citizen Comments on Items NOT on the Agenda**

28 There were no citizen comments.

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30 **Agenda Changes**

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32 **Items for Consideration**

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34 **Consider Paint Colors for Historically Designated Mattivi Building at 298 W. Main**
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36 Edgar Cuc, the owner of the historically designated Mattivi building at 298 W. Main Street
37 asked the Historic Designation Commission to approve paint color. Professional Assistant
38 to the Town Clerk Michelle Huster explained that historically, the building had white walls
39 with red trim. The owners proposed changing to beige walls with black trim and showed
40 the commissioners sample colors painted on a board. Professional Assistant Huster said
41 according to the town code, any building historically designated needed to have any color
42 changes approved by HPC.

43 Commissioner Richard Fletcher said the color choices Mr. Cuc brought in looked good,
44 Commissioner Ruth Fletcher said the colors were classy. The commission reviewed the
45 colors and said it was an improvement from the red and white.

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47 **Motion: Chair Riddile made a motion to approve new paint colors for the Mattivi**
48 **building at 298 W. Main St. Commissioner Parks seconded the motion and it**
49 **passed unanimously.**

1 **Consider HPC Sponsorship of Down Valley Brewing for State Historical Fund**
2 **Grants**

3 Haley Williams from Down Valley Brewing requested for the town to sponsorship for a
4 grant application from the state historic fund. She explained that as a private business
5 owner, she needed a municipality to apply on their behalf. Ms. Williams said that she
6 would be seeking a non-competitive grant under \$10,000, which would require a 50%
7 match from her business. If approved, the grant money would be filtered through the
8 town to Down Valley Brewing.

9 Commissioner Ruth Fletcher asked if Down Valley Brewing was looking for financial
10 support and Ms. Williams said they were not. Chair Riddile and other commissioners
11 expressed support for the application, noting that Ms. Ms. Williams said she will complete
12 the necessary paperwork herself, with the town simply serving as the required
13 governmental entity for the application.

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15 **Motion: Commissioner Richard Fletcher made a motion to support Down Valley**
16 **Brewery's application for sponsorship for the State Historical Fund. Vice Chair**
17 **Ruth Fletcher seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.**

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19 **Consider Dates and Details for Down Valley Brewing Designation Plaque**
20 **Celebration**

21 HPC wanted to plan a ceremony at 589 W. Main Street that congratulated Down Valley
22 Brewing and the Texaco building on the recent historic designation..

23 The commission agreed on September 30, 2025, at 5:00 PM. Professional Assistant Huster
24 said she spoke with Katherine Tomanac from Post Independent about writing an article.
25 Professional Assistant Huster suggested having the article published before the celebration
26 to boost attendance.

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28 Chair Riddile asked Professional Assistant Huster to inform Town Council about the event,
29 add it to the town's events calendar, and include it in the e-newsletter.

30 **Motion: Chair Ruth Fletcher made a motion to approve the date and details for**
31 **the Down Valley Brewing designation plaque celebration. Commissioner Ruth**
32 **Fletcher seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.**

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34 **Consider Approval of CLG Audit**

35 Professional Assistant Huster presented the CLG (Certified Local Government) audit report
36 incomplete, so commissioners had input. Professional Assistant Huster said she needed
37 commissioners' responses on three specific questions related to accomplishments,
38 problems, and planned activities.

39 Commissioner Parks said the accomplishment he was most proud of was the designation
40 of the Texaco Building at 589 W. Main Steet. The commission was also excited over the
41 videography project that was shown during Founders Day in February of 2025.

42 Commissioner Ruth Fletcher said the biggest challenge for the commission was getting
43 town residents to see the potential benefits of historic designation.

1 The commission said they were looking forward to continuing the videography project with
2 aging town residents. Commissioner Parks suggested reapplying for a historic main street
3 designation by downsizing the area to include those already designated then working
4 outward to more addresses. They were looking forward to celebrating the plaque
5 designation at 589 W. Main St.

6 **Motion: Vice Chair Ruth Fletcher made a motion to approve the CLG audit report.**
7 **Commissioner Richard Fletcher seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.**

8 **MOTION: Chair Riddile made a motion to approve the minutes from August 18,**
9 **2025. Commissioner Parks seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.**

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11 **Adjourn**

12 **MOTION: Chair Riddile made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Parks seconded**
13 **the motion, and it passed unanimously.**

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15 The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

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Professional Assistant to the Town Clerk
Michelle Huster

Mari Riddile, Chair