



TOWN OF LA PLATA
Historic Preservation Commission Minutes
July 18, 2025, 11:00 AM
Regular Meeting

PRESENT: Rich Gilpin
Steuart Bowling
Mary Beth Chandler

ABSENT: Paddy Mudd, Jane Hobbs, Paul Guttenberg

TOWN STAFF: Don Dooley, Director of Planning
Lucinda Anderson, Special Events Coordinator

GUESTS: Kathy Quimby
Barbara Hays, La Plata Garden Club
Carole Rauchiesa, La Plata Garden Club
Kathy Hettel, La Plata Garden Club

1. Call to Order

1.1. Call to Order

Chair Gilpin called the meeting to order at 11:04 AM.

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Gilpin led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Approval of Minutes

2.1. Approval of minutes from meeting on May 16, 2025.

Approval of minutes was deferred to the next regular meeting.

3. Matters of Discussion

3.1. To adopt a five-year workplan (2025-2030) for the La Plata Historic Preservation Commission for the Town Council's review and approval.

Director Dooley provided an overview of the proposed five-year workplan.

The Commission scheduled a work session for August 8, 2025, 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM, to further develop the five-year workplan.

3.2. Workgroup Reports

- Train Station Museum
- Historic Plaques
- Firehouse

- Tornado Anniversary Observances

Firehouse: Kathy Hettle addressed the Commission with concerns about the potential impact of renovations to the Firehouse Museum on the existing native pollinator garden. Chair Gilpin indicated that the Commission will work with the La Plata Garden Club to mitigate impact.

3.3. Approval of Purchase for Reimbursement (Bowling/Air Conditioner Unit)

Ms. Chandler moved to approve reimbursement to Mr. Steuart Bowling for one hundred sixty-eight dollars and fifty-four cents (\$168.54).

Moved By: Mary Beth Chandler, seconded by Rich Gilpin.

Ayes: Gilpin, Bowling, Chandler

Nays: None

Abstained: None

Absent: Mudd, Hobbs, Councilman Guttenberg

Passed

4. Other Business

Ms. Chandler identified that the terms for herself and Paddy Mudd have expired.

Bowling moved to Forward Mary Beth Chandler and Paddy Mudd to the Town Council for re-appointment.

Moved By: Steuart Bowling, seconded by Rich Gilpin.

Ayes: Gilpin, Bowling, Chandler

Absent: Mudd, Hobbs, Councilman Guttenberg

Passed

5. Matters of Information

5.1. Town Council Report

There was no Town Council report.

5.2. Staff Report

Director Dooley presented the Staff report.

6. Adjourn

6.1. Adjournment

Steuart Bowling moved to adjourn at 1:09 PM.

Moved By: Steuart Bowling, seconded by Rich Gilpin.

Passed Unanimously

Submitted by:

Lawrence J. Jones Jr., Town Clerk