

MINUTES OF THE COMSTOCK HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Date:

Wednesday, February 13, 2023 6:00pm

Place: The Comstock Historic District Commission (CHDC) meeting is open to the public and may be attended via the Zoom link, by phone, or in person at the Comstock History Center Meeting Room, located at 20 N E Street, Virginia City, Nevada.

1. **Call to order** 6:03pm and Pledge of Allegiance-Chair Curtis

2. Roll Call

Present: Cassinelli, Curtis, Dillon, Sturtz, Workman.

Not present: De La Garza, Mitchell, Cleaves, and Lyon County position/open

Additional: Anthony Walsh/State Legal Advisor, Candace Wheeler, Administrative Staff CHDC

3. Public Comment

None at this time

4. Administrative Items (For Possible Action)

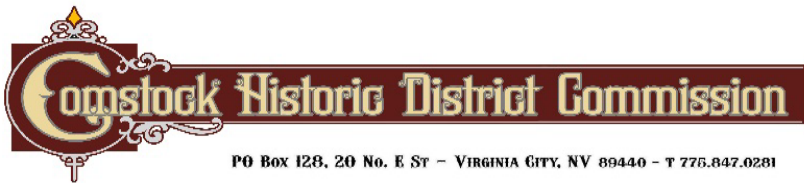
Chair Curtis has been reviewing the Regulations for the CHDC. Staff provided a report in writing for the board's review. John Cassinelli advised us that a new Lyon County person has been appointed and he will provide contact information in order to fill the opening. Minutes were approved: 9/12, 2022 **Motion:** to approve by Cassinelli/second Sturtz, **Vote:** Unanimously in favor. Minutes 1/11/23, **Motion:** to approve by Dillon/second Workman, **Vote:** Unanimously in favor.

5. New Residential House Construction-110 North K Street (For possible action)

Sierra Daly (owner) presented plans for new construction. Applicant open to alterations and/or ideas. It was agreed she could receive a conditional *Certificate of Appropriateness* with documentation of CHDC comments. Staff should continue to work with Daly on plans. Recommend changes/alterations as follows: 3050 style windows preferred, fixed windows are discouraged (or insert Muntins/separate panes), porch rails stained wood, beveled garage doors without windows, aluminum shake shingles for roof with a recommend pitch of 4/12, turret is okay if windows are in compliance, painted wood siding-work with staff on colors.

As a side note, owner expressed displeasure with the NVE installed pole lights next to the K Street lot.

Motion: to approve a conditional COA with all CHDC comments and staff review requirements Workman/Cassinelli, **Vote:** Unanimously in favor.



6. Stop Work Order Nevada Energy inappropriate pole lights (For Possible Action)

Staff provided an overview of emails/conversations with NVE's representative. Email communication was distributed: it provided no options for compliance.

7. Public Comment

Mike Northan, Storey County, Public Works, provided additional input, comments, and suggestions regarding the NVE installed lights. Storey County was not consulted, nor approved the fixture and illumination levels of pole lights. Safety concerns and appropriateness issues raised by the general public.

Motion: Send letter from Chair Curtis asking NVE to provide the CHDC with fixture and illumination mitigations by March 10, 2023. If not forthcoming, our AG representative will consult with NVE's attorneys. If met with no success, the CHDC will escalate to a full-on Stop Work Order per NRS 384 with associated penalties. **Motion:** Cassanelli/Dillon, **Vote:** Unanimous in favor.

8. Review of Governors Executive Order (Discussion Only)

Staff reviewed EO, provided copies of current regulations adjusted in 200502006 to meet same directives (refer to Legislative Council Bureau (R143-06). Agenda for additional alterations due on Friday, February 24, 2023 for a March 13, 2023 meeting. Commissioner comments included with Agenda, deadline for report from staff due April 1, 2023.

9. Adjournment (For Possible Action) 8:18pm

Motion: to adjourn Cassinelli/Sturtz, **Vote:** Unanimous in favor

Respectfully submitted,

Candace Wheeler
Administrative Assistant

Approved by,

Joe Curtis
Chair

This is a synopsis of the meeting. A recording is available at the CHDC office.