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MINUTES OF THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION MEETING
FOR THE CITY OF HAYDEN, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO

Thursday, June 11, 2026

Regular Meeting: 11:00 AM

Hayden City Hall Council Chambers, 8930 N. Government Way, Hayden, ID 83835

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 11:03 AM by Chair Eichelberger.

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

Commissioner Barbara Bennett: Present
Vice-Chair Bill Brizee: Present
Commissioner Rhonda Budvarson: Present
Chair Judy Eichelberger: Present
Commissioner Ransom Storm: Absent at time of roll call

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Eichelberger.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS

N/A

CONSENT CALENDAR - *All items on the Consent Calendar are Action Items*

Approval of Meeting Minutes from the Special Meeting on May 1, 2026
Approval of Meeting Minutes from the Regular Meeting on May 18, 2026
Motion to approve minutes as written:

This motion, made by Commissioner Bennett and seconded by Commissioner Budvarson. Motion carried.

Barbara Bennett: Yes
Bill Brizee: Yes
Rhonda Budvarson: Yes
Judy Eichelberger: Yes
Ransom Storm: Absent

Yes: 4, No: 0, Absent: 1

VISITOR/PUBLIC COMMENT on Non-Agenda Items (5-minutes maximum):

N/A

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Update on photos for the Historical Boards for Hayden Days:

Chair Eichelberger and the other commissioners discussed taking photographs of structures throughout the city for use during Hayden Days. The commission plans to create display boards showcasing a variety of architectural and construction styles found in Hayden. Community members will be invited to view the displays and vote on which photograph they feel best represents the character and identity of Hayden using green dots for the ones they like and red dots for the ones they don't like. The commissioners continued to share photos between each other and discuss where they took photos in the city. Chair Eichelberger showed photos of structures off Landcaster Avenue that she took photos of, and Vice Chair Brizee showed photos that he took from Riverstone in Coeur d' Alene referencing a coffee shop that him and his wife like to visit. Commissioner Storm entered meeting at 11:09 AM.

ROLL CALL OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

Commissioner Barbara Bennett:	Present
Vice-Chair Bill Brizee:	Present
Commissioner Rhonda Budvarson:	Present
Chair Judy Eichelberger:	Present
Commissioner Ransom Storm:	Present

Vice Chair Brizee explained the plan for the boards at Hayden Days to Commissioner Storm who arrived late to the meeting.

Discussion continued about potential questions that members of the public might have about the boards, and how the commissioners would be equipped to answer those questions. Chair Eichelberger used an example as a member of the public saying "what are you trying to do? And if someone wants to build this type of construction then isn't that a matter of taste?" To which Vice Chair Brizee said that this data could be used for Historical grants which require public/community input. He went on to say that he believes that the Historic Preservation Commission is charged with making recommendations to every city commission and entity.

Discussion continued about this remark, and Chair Eichelberger wrapped up the discussion by saying that she wants to verify the document that Vice-Chair Brizee was referring to and an updated version of this document was requested. Sadie Roe, Clerk, offered to send the chapter of City Code that speaks about Boards and Commissions to the commissioners.

The commissioners continued their discussion about the boards for Hayden Days. Chair Eichelberger stated that everyone that has taken photos can send their photos to Commissioner Storm so that he can get started on putting the boards together. Vice Chair Brizee explained that these boards could possibly help them get grants by conducting a "community wide survey" and by this being an act of "community outreach."

The commission decided to schedule another meeting for June 25,2026 at 11:00 so that they can discuss reviewing the boards and making any changes if needed, along with discussing the Spokesperson for the Commission, and clarification on the code document referenced earlier.

Recap of the HPC Awards – What did we learn:

Chair Eichelberger asked about the brass plates for the awards, and if they got put on the frames of the awards? To which Vice Chair Brizee said yes.

Chair Eichelberger continued by saying that she would like to discuss more about the history of the buildings next year during the award presentation, she also mentioned that starting the process earlier would be a good idea as well. She mentioned asking the press to also attend the next awards ceremony.

Spokesperson for Commission:

Chair Eichelberger stated that they have touched on this already, to which Vice-Chair Brizee said that when he attends a public hearing or meeting, he always introduces himself as a member of the Historic Commission but at the time is not representing the commission during his public comments. Choosing an official spokesperson is being tabled until the next meeting per Chair Eichelberger.

Donations of Ordinary People, Extraordinary Lives book:

Chair Eichelberger said that in the Fall of 2026, copies of the book will be donated to local schools. Chair Eichelberger stated that Hayden Library and North Idaho College (NIC) Library already have a copy. Commissioner Bennett suggested donating a book to the Coeur d' Alene (CDA) Library as well.

Motion to donate the Ordinary People, Extraordinary Lives book to selected local Hayden schools in the Fall, and to the CDA library, and the museums in Post Falls and Rathdrum:

This motion, made by Chair Eichelberger and seconded by Commissioner Bennett. Motion carried.

Barbara Bennett:	Yes
Bill Brizee:	Yes
Rhonda Budvarson:	Yes
Judy Eichelberger:	Yes
Ransom Storm:	Yes

Yes: 5, No: 0, Absent: 0

REPORTS

Chair Eichelberger discussed the “CAMP” all day event that she attended with Director, Donna Phillips, and Vice Chair Brizee. Chair Eichelberger spoke about the speakers at the event, stating that there were two main speakers, one being a lawyer, and the other was representing SHPO. There were also attendees from Wake County Historical Society, along with the Coeur d' Alene Tribe, and the Nespers Tribe as well.

Chair Eichelberger also mentioned that she gave another copy of the Ordinary People, Extraordinary Lives book to the Museum of North Idaho.

She went on to discuss the “Hayden Lake Neighbors” magazine, saying that next month they could have a feature in the magazine to promote their book if the HPC gets something over to them to publish by next Tuesday.

ADJOURNMENT *ACTION ITEM*

Meeting adjourned at 12:17 PM by Chair Eichelberger.

This motion, made by Commissioner Budvarson and seconded by Commissioner Bennett. Motion carried.

Barbara Bennett: Yes

Bill Brizee: Yes

Rhonda Budvarson: Yes

Judy Eichelberger: Yes

Ransom Storm: Yes

Yes: 5, No: 0, Absent: 0

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