

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

Thursday, April 23, 2026

Commission Meeting: 11:00 AM  
Hayden City Hall Council Chambers, 8930 N. Government Way, Hayden, ID 83835

**CALL TO ORDER  
ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE  
ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS**

1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
2. **CONSENT CALENDAR *All items on the Consent Calendar are Action Items***
  - A. Approval of Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2026

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

Thursday, March 12, 2026

Commission 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 11:05 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: Absent at time of roll call  
\*Visitor Michael Phillips Present\*

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Visitor Michael Phillips.

**ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS**

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

Approval of Meeting Minutes of February 23, 2026

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

**Commissioner Bennett: Yes**  
**Vice-Chair Brizee: Yes**  
**Commissioner Budvarson: Yes**  
**Chair Eichelberger: Yes**  
**Commissioner Storm: Absent**  
**Yes: 4, No: 0, Absent: 1**

Commissioner Storm showed up for the 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

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** *All items under Unfinished Business are Action Items:*

Update on Ordinary People, Extraordinary Lives book sales and book signing events. Chair Eichelberger updated everyone on the status of the book signing & the 2nd order of books that are needed. 76 more books were ordered. Book rate is \$13 per book to ship. Books are currently sold out. The estimated timeline for the next book shipment is 2 weeks from now. Museum of North Idaho would like a copy of the book and would like to be added to waitlist. 6 copies of the book were taken to Hayden Super 1, and all of those books sold. Super 1 would like to have more displayed there once the second order of books comes in.

Update on Ordinary People Extraordinary Lives: Volume 2:

Commissioner Bennett is going to do an interview with a Stoddard family relative for the 2nd book. She is also working on interviews with the Fergusons for the book as well.

Update on City Council Meeting Agenda items and next steps:

Chair Eichelberger started the discussion about the last meeting with City Council. The Stoddard Silo is to have a structural evaluation done by the City of Hayden. Referenced Allyn (Director of Public Works). Vice Chair Brizee found a few different grants that the Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) could potentially apply for: "Heart Family Funds For Small Towns"; "National Trust for Historical Preservation." Vice-Chair Brizee also spoke about how they could apply for it as well. He mentioned the "National Historic Landmarks Program" as being another grant that he looked at as well. He also spoke about "the Silo" and about getting a concrete remediator. He went on to mention the Arts Commission and the "T-Mobile Grant."

Commissioner Ransom mentioned that "It looks like that grant (National Trust for Historical Preservation Grant) is for populations of 10,000 people or less." He is going to do some research utilizing AI to find more information on this grant and how to apply for it. Director Donna Phillips spoke about the different questions that the Historic Commission needs to propose to City Council. She went on to discuss the pros & cons of the grants that HPC could receive and apply for. After further discussion it was recommended for HPC to make a "Master List" to present to the City Council with their findings. Use of the NAPC site was recommended.

Project items are: Stoddard Barn & Silo, and the History board off of Honeysuckle Avenue were mentioned as preservation locations. Chair Eichelberger also mentioned "Lost Apple Project" where they take grafts off old apple trees—"Matt Hayden's apple tree" was mentioned as well. Government Way project: "Then vs Now". Owl Café site stone for the artist who painted the owls, and putting a history board there about the artist.

Update on Hayden Preservation Awards:

Chair Eichelberger asked if we are ready for applications to be submitted? She would also like a post on Facebook to be created, and she would also like the photo used on the Awards flyer emailed to her as well.

Sadie Roe gave an update: The HPC website will be updated by the end of the week for the applications to be submitted online via the City's website. Applications can be printed for people also.

Director Donna Phillips also let the commission know that the book information will also be on the website as well by the end of the week, and staff will coordinate with Abbie to get the

Facebook posting done as well.

Vice Chair Brizee would like single sided copies of the Awards flyers. 11 x 17 size if possible.

Locations discussed for possible Hayden Preservation Award nominees: "School that is now a Church", "Hardware store", Birdie's Pie Shop.

Submittals by Historic Preservation Commissioners were frowned upon by Director Donna Phillips. Discussion about application submittals, and the correct way to submit nominations was also discussed.

Dates of Awards were mentioned as well.

**NEW BUSINESS** *All items under New Business are Action Items:* N/A

**REPORTS:**

Commissioner Budvarson brought in some wood from Stoddard Barn.

Vice Chair Brizee talked about the possibility of "Peter" or "Scott" being able to use the wood (from Stoddard Barn) to make frames for the Hayden Preservation Awards.

Commissioner Storm & Commissioner Bennett will be working together on photographs before his baby is due next month (April 21<sup>st</sup>).

Director Donna Phillips mentioned an opportunity for additional education -- March 25th; she also asked Chair Eichelberger who will be responsible for the spreadsheet for the "Grant options." Chair Eichelberger mentioned: Sadie Roe, which Ms. Phillips declined this option. Donna mentioned the possibility of making a Google spreadsheet.

**ADJOURNMENT** *ACTION ITEM*

**Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Chair Eichelberger second by Commissioner Budvarson. Motion carried.**

**Barbara Bennett: Yes**

**Bill Brizee: Yes**

**Rhonda Budvarson: Yes**

**Judy Eichelberger: Yes**

**Ransom Storm: Yes**

**Yes: 5, No: 0, Absent: 0**

3. **VISITOR/PUBLIC COMMENT on Non-Agenda Items (5-minutes maximum)**
4. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
  - A. Update on Ordinary People, Extraordinary Lives book order and upcoming book signing events.
  - B. Ordinary People Extraordinary Lives: Volume 2 Update
  - C. Update on Hayden Preservation Awards
  - D. Update on Hayden Canyon Charter School story telling event
  - E. Update on Funding Sources/Grants
5. **NEW BUSINESS**
6. **REPORTS**
7. **ADJOURNMENT *ACTION ITEM***
8. **WORKSHOP**