

BISMARCK HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

May 20, 2026

The Bismarck Historic Preservation Commission met on Wednesday, May 20, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. in the Tom Baker Meeting Room in the City-County Office Building, 221 North 5th Street. The meeting was held in person. Dakota Media Access was present to record the meeting and archive on freetv.org for public viewing. Chair Engel presided.

Commissioners present were Matt Hull, Beth Nodland, Kane Perrin, John Swanson, Greg Zenker, Amy Sakariassen, and Chair Engel.

Staff members present were Darcy Vaughan - Office Assistant, Lauren Oster – Planner.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION REPORT

Five reviews have been conducted and Chair Engel noted that three were approved today.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Engel opened the public comment period. No public comments were made or submitted for the current agenda or prior to the May 20, 2026 agenda. Chair Engel closed the public comment period.

MINUTES

Chair Engel called for consideration of the minutes of the April 15, 2026 meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Zenker to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2026 meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sakariassen with Commissioners Hull, Perrin, Swanson, Nodland, Zenker, Sakariassen and Chair Engel voting in favor of the motion, the motion was approved.

2024 HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND GRANT UPDATE

Ms. Oster stated that currently there are three open projects: South Capitol Survey, Local History Education Resource Kits, and Baseball History Brochures. Regarding the South Capitol Survey, staff are working with the consultant on scheduling an end of project presentation tentatively scheduled for August 12, 2026. No action was recommended at this time.

2025 HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND GRANT UPDATE

Ms. Oster stated that the Historic Preservation plan subcommittee is finalizing a draft document to be presented at the next Historic Preservation Commission meeting in June. No action was recommended at this time.

2026 HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND GRANT APPLICATION UPDATE

Ms. Oster stated that the City of Bismarck was awarded \$37,800 with the 2026 Historic Preservation Fund grant. Commissioner Hull asked about local match. Ms. Oster stated that the local match is 40% of the overall grant total, not for each individual project. Match can be in-kind. No action was recommended at this time.

OTHER BUSINESS

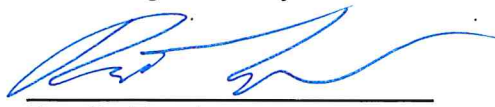
Ms. Oster communicated to the Commissioners that the Historic Preservation Award will be presented to Chris Anderson at the Bismarck City Commission meeting on May 26, 2026.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Engel declared the meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission adjourned at 3:07 p.m. to meet again on June 17, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. in the Tom Baker Meeting Room.

Respectfully submitted,


Darcy Vaughan
Recording Secretary


Damita Engel
Chair