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Boards and Commissions Application

Board/Commission or position applying for:	Historic Preservation Commission
First and Last Name	Larry McDonald
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Why would you like to serve on this Board or Commission?	I was born in Gunnison in 1958 and have a great interest in sharing and preserving the very interesting history of our area. I have done extensive research on historic events and places, and may be able to find more ways to share it with the public.
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January 4, 2019

To the attention of the Gunnison Historical Preservation Commission,

Please accept this letter of interest for a position on the Historical Preservation Commission with Gunnison County.

I was born in Gunnison in 1958, while my father attended Western State. After he graduated in 1960, he took teaching jobs in Fountain and Kremmling during our early elementary years. We returned to Gunnison in the summers, as Dad continued studying at Western to earn additional certifications. He loved to fish, and we scoured the Gunnison Valley seeking the not so elusive trout. I did not take to fishing, and while Dad and my younger brother fished, my mother and I would search for old historic sites. I loved collecting old bottles and other item's left behind by early pioneers. We used to find Indian arrowheads lying on the ground at the old Los Pinos Indian Agency while visiting my fathers friend who worked for the forest service in the early 60's.

Over the past few years, I've visited many of our area ghost towns and cemeteries, and researched the history of this area. It is fascinating! So much happened here that affected our countries growth in its early years. We have so much history to share, and I think I can help spread the word.

I recently completed a historical pictorial book as a tribute to the 59 victims of the Jokerville mine disaster, that I'm planning to unveil at an event in a couple of weeks. I have a great passion for history and would enjoy being a member of the Historical Preservation Commission of Gunnison County.

Thanks for your consideration.

Larry McDonald

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