## Library Naming Committee Meeting Notes Tuesday, January 18, 2013, 12:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Bill Lamdin, Bill Cochran, Sara Hudson, Doug James, Kevin Kooistra, Alex Martin, Shari Nault, Evelyn Noenning, Betty Richardson.

GUESTS PRESENT: Dee Ann Redman, Mary Murphrey, Pat Bellinghausen.

## Review and confirm charge

Lamdin agreed to serve as chair of the committee. Cochran reviewed the process for consideration of renaming the new Library. Lamdin noted that a majority of the Library Board wanted to move forward with the renaming process. Kooistra felt that there would be no issues with the Billings family regarding a name change.

## Set Calendar

Cochran noted that there would have to be a short timeline for the process in order to coordinate it with development of signage for the new building, as well as the rebranding process. He suggested that the public involvement process should end in February with a recommendation and public hearing to City Council in March, followed by consultation with the County Commissioners.

The Committee developed the following timeline:

- Solicit public input through February 21, 2013.
- Committee to meet again the week of March 4 to review suggestions and select a name.
- Present recommendation for new name at the March 14 Library Board meeting.
- Submit preliminary Council agenda memo on March 7 for March 25 Council meeting.

## **Discussion**

- Noenning suggested that the public input should be presented to encourage a regional name.
- James asked if the term "library" was still valid?
- There was considerable discussion on what the name should reflect.
- Committee suggestions were:
  - Billings Public Library
  - City County Library
  - High Plains Library
  - iLibrary
  - Library
  - MyLibrary
  - o Parmly Billings Library
  - Plains of the Yellowstone Library

- o Rimrocker Library
- o River Valley Library
- o The Library
- Yellowstone River Library
- Yellowstone Valley Library
- o yourLibrary

The committee recommended that the survey should read "what should the new Library be called"? The survey will be widely publicized and posted on the Library's website with a ballot box available in the Library.

Next meeting scheduled for the week of March 4.

Adjourned 1:05 p.m.