



Yellowstone Historic Preservation Board
A Certified Local Government (CLG)
Program representing four governing bodies:

City of Billings
City of Laurel

Yellowstone County
Crow Tribe

MEETING MINUTES
April 18, 2017
First Floor Conference Room
2825 3rd Avenue North

Members Present – Ed Saunders, Kevin Nelson, Sue Mueller, Nancy Curriden

Members Absent – Tracy Livingston, Allen Rapacz, Blain Fandrich

Staff Present – Elisabeth DeGrenier, Tam Rodier and Lora Mattox

Others Present –

Minutes - The minutes of the February were approved on a motion by Sue, seconded by Kevin.

Public Comment – No public comment.

CDBG Rehab Projects - 545 Jackson, 216 South 36th, 244 Terry, 1708 Alderson, 523 South 30th – Tam Rodier discussed the proposed CDBG rehab projects with the board. After review, the board had the following comments on the projects:

- 545 Jackson – No comments;
- 216 South 36th – If funding allows maintain front window configuration, maintain wood front stairway, replace siding with horizontal small profile slats;
- 244 Terry – If funding allows maintain a window configuration similar to the original window;
- 1708 Alderson – No comments;
- 523 South 30th – No comments

National Register, What's Next? – Lora discussed the difficulty in getting participation from the residents in the North Elevation Historic District to get enthused about a neighborhood block party to celebrate the listing of the neighborhood to the National Register. Lora has also been asked when additional properties will be added/or the district expanded to the west towards Pioneer Park. This will really depend on the availability of funding. Lora also mentioned the South Side neighborhood and the potential of historic properties to be reviewed and nominated. The board also needs to check the status of SHPO's nomination of McKinley Elementary School.

Consultant's Report –

Roundtable – The month of March was focused on the Roundtable. We had a very successful turnout with 26 groups participating from architects, newspapers, museum, and community organizations. The Montana History Foundation also participated this year and are interested in copying our format for their own board presentations.

North Elevation – The Western Heritage Center is going to continue the North Elevation neighborhood walking tour for the 2017 season. We are hoping to offer a tour to the residents during May, historic preservation month, and encourage them to “unveil” the Register signs.

Historic Preservation Officer Report – Lora reported that Blain has submitted a draft of a letter regarding One Big Sky to SHPO for review. When he has the draft completed it will be shared with the board. Lora submitted the final report for the 2016-2017 CLG grant. And finally, Lora informed the board that next month there will be a Certificate of Appropriateness submitted for 2223 Montana Avenue.

Board Roundtable –Ed stated that the dedication of the Women of WWI Memorial was excellent. He is now updating the Mossmain Bridge National Register nomination, it was lacking detail.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 16th at 8:30 a.m.