



***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**  
**MAY 15, 2018**  
**First Floor Conference Room**  
**2825 3rd Avenue North**

**Members Present** –Kevin Nelson, Sue Mueller, Tracy Livingston, Blain Fandrich and Allen Rapacz

**Members Absent** –

**Staff Present** –Elisabeth DeGrenier, Tam Rodier (Community Development) and Lora Mattox

**Others Present** – None

**Welcome** – Blain welcomed the board members to the meeting.

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

**Public Comment** – No public comment.

**CDBG Rehab Projects: 4234 Stone Street and 215 19<sup>th</sup> Street West** – The first project reviewed was the property located at 4234 Stone Street. This property was built in 1963, the work proposed includes windows, roof, decking, siding, soffit/fascia, flashing/trim and gutters/downspouts. The board on a motion by Sue, seconded by Allen states that this property is not eligible for the National Register and CDBG funds are appropriate for use. The property located at 215 19<sup>th</sup> Street West is proposed to have similar work done with the addition of basement egress windows and new entry doors. The board on a motion by Kevin, seconded by Sue states that this property is not eligible for the National Register and federal funds are appropriate for use on the property renovation. The board did state however, that if feasible, original features such as the roof line, gable ends, box eaves and decorative scroll work be maintained. The board also suggested repainting the existing siding or if replacement needed, replace with like siding.

**Board Presentation to Governing Bodies (Billings, Laurel, Yellowstone County)** – Lora would like to schedule visits to the local governing in the next couple months. The Billings City Council is the difficult agenda to be placed on, Laurel and the County should be relatively easy. After the North Elevation event, Lora will schedule.

**Work Plan Implementation – 2 National Register Nominations/North Elevation Celebration**

**2018-2019 YHPB Work Plan** – Lora opened the discussion with asking the board for the initiative to begin exploring the development of a National Register nomination for Riverside Park in Laurel. With the mitigation funds Laurel will be receiving from the 2011 Exxon-Mobile oil spill, significant improvements will be made to

the park including infrastructure improvements (allow for new vault toilets) and camping site improvements. This would be a great time to approach the City of Laurel about listing the park to the National Register.

The other project identified in the YHPB Work Plan included listing the mausoleum at Mountview Cemetery. This project will be looked at in the future depending on the City of Laurel's commitment to the Riverside Park project.

Lora shared a flyer for the North Elevation National District sign dedication scheduled for Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. The event will begin at the sign location at North 32<sup>nd</sup> Street and Avenue F. Deputy Mayor Pro-tem Yakawich will do the honors.

## **Consultant's Report –**

### **Roundtable**

29 groups participated in the 2018 Roundtable making it the largest to date!

### **North Elevation Celebration**

Elisabeth and Lora attended the North Elevation task force meeting on March 20<sup>th</sup> to set a date and announce the NE celebration for May 19, from 2-4pm. They also met with Lue Ponich from the neighborhood to finish details such as music, food, and flyers. Elisabeth will be creating the script for Councilman Mike Yakawich to read at the sign's unveiling and making a self-guided walking tour of the neighborhood for the event.

### **McKinley**

Elisabeth re-took photos of McKinley elementary for Kate Hampton of the SHPO for the completion of its nomination.

**Historic Preservation Officer Report** – Lora had nothing more to add.

**Board Roundtable** – Sue asked the board revisiting the One Big Sky project as it has now expanded to more of a district rather than a block development. Blain states that we will keep updated on the development of the feasibility study and request that the plan be presented to the YHPB board when the draft is completed.

The next meeting – June 19th