



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

September 18, 2012

Members Present –Kathleen Armstrong, Renee Flood, Diane Jung, Julie Larsen

Members Absent – Nancy Curriden, Darrell Aaby

Staff Present – Lora Mattox and Kevin Kooistra

Others Present – None

The minutes of the August meeting were approved on a motion by Renee, seconded by Diane.

Public Comment – None.

Consultant's Report –

North Elevation:

Completing the step by step inventory of the Historical Property Records for the North Elevation, including all the exterior house photographs. Chandra will begin working directly with local neighborhood partners.

YHPB Walking Tour Research:

Researching for the next 12 properties. U.S. Post Office, Dude Rancher, Greyhound Bus Depot (2502 First Avenue North), Preston B. Moss Home (Division), The Castle (Austin North Home), Oasis (2718 Minnesota), Klos Building / Yukon Bar (2720 Minnesota), Montana National Bank (201 North Broadway), Yellowstone Garage (2303 Montana), Kress Building (2816 2nd Avenue North), City Hall (North 27th), and St. Patrick's Cathedral. Michelle Caron, a WHC volunteer with a background in architectural history, is assisting with architectural descriptions.

Further discussion on the walking tour included the few people Kevin hears from that don't have Smart Phones and access to the online tour. There are still some who like to have a piece of paper. Suggestions include tri-fold brochures, information to hand out at the tourist stops (Peter Yegen Museum), and one page map synopsis of the locations (similar to the Chamber of Commerce's Place Mats). This will be re-visited in the future as we expand the walking tour.

Historic Preservation Officer Report – Lora reported that the YHPB did not receive the MAP mini grant for the archive workshop. Although Kevin was just informed that the guest speaker broke her leg in Ireland and has a long recovery road ahead and this program will have to be delayed and rescheduled probably for next year. With the delay, Lora will look into funding sources to assist with the cost. Diane mentioned that she would be willing to provide some local funding to the program. Kevin is meeting with the Genealogy Forum next week and will discuss with them. Lora also mentioned that she will be attending the Montana History Conference starting September 20th in Helena.

Board Roundtable – Julie mentioned that Family Services is hosting a fund raiser for their organization on October 20th at the Holiday Inn Grand Montana Convention Center. Craig Campbell, a country-western singer will be performing. More information can be found at this link: <http://famserv.com/dining-out-for-life-2>

Kevin discussed upcoming events at WHC including Raising Our Spirits fundraiser on October 27th. The MTPRS will once again be providing mini ghost hunts. There are two presentations, the first at 4:00 p.m. and is more kid and family friendly, and 8:00 p.m. which includes “spirits” and snacks.

The next meeting will be held on October 16, 2012 at 8:10 a.m. in the larger conference room, 4th Floor, Library.

Formal Meeting adjourned. The YHPB then journeyed to the Tracy Lofts for a tour of Randy Hafer’s latest loft apartment project on Montana Avenue.