



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

December 18, 2012

Members Present – Kathleen Armstrong, Nancy Curriden, Julie Larsen

Members Absent – Renee Flood, Diane Jung, Darrell Aaby

Staff Present – Lora Mattox and Kevin Kooistra

Others Present – Emily Corbridge, Café DeCamp

The minutes of the September meeting were approved on a motion by Julie, seconded by Nancy.

Public Comment – None.

Certificate of Appropriateness – 2905 Montana Avenue - Emily began the discussion by showing the board examples of the tile they are proposing to use as replacement. The windows, which are not original will be replaced and framed with re-claimed wood from Wyoming. Kathleen asked about the ghost sign on the side of the building, do they have any plans to do anything with that sign. Emily responded that at this time they will probably just let the ghost sign remain. Kevin stated that trying to even preserve the sign is dangerous and it is better to let them be. Kevin asked how many tables does the restaurant hope to have, Emily responded that they would like to have 75 tables. The existing awning railing will be removed to allow for more natural light into the space. They currently have two apartments upstairs and both are occupied.

Kathleen opened the public hearing, there was no public comment and the hearing was closed. Nancy recommends approval of the COA as submitted, seconded by Julie. Approved on a 3-0 vote.

Consultant's Report – Next page

Facebook:

Starting to update the Facebook page.

Annual Historic Preservation Roundtable:

The Historic Preservation Roundtable details and nomination forms for the Roundtable are sent out in the next month. 3/19/13

Education Trunks:

Western Heritage Center will host a trunk preview in January.

North Elevation:

Completing the step by step inventory of the Historical Property Records for the North Elevation, including all the exterior house photographs. Kevin will be hiring part time help to focus on the North Elevation and get this project kick-started.

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 (2815 2nd Avenue North), City Hall (North 27th), and St. Patrick's Cathedral. Kevin is focused on this project and Michelle Caron, with a background in architectural history, is assisting with architectural descriptions.

Historic Preservation Officer Report – Lora reported that this would be Kathleen's last meeting as she is at the end of her terms. Lora presented Kathleen with a Certificate of Appreciation and the whole board thanked her for her service.

Board Roundtable – Julie mentioned that she had recently visited San Diego and stayed in the very historic Hotel Del Coronado. She said it was a beautiful building.

The next meeting will be held on January 15, 2013 at 8:10 a.m. The meeting may be held at the Western Heritage Center to look at the education trunks.

Formal Meeting adjourned. The YHPB then journeyed to view the Christmas trees located throughout the Moss Mansion.