



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 3, 2014

First Floor Conference Room

2825 3rd Avenue North

Members Present –Judy Goldsby, Kevin Nelson, Logan Hendricks, Tabatha Butler

Members Absent – Nancy Curriden, Liz Harding, Ellen Kuntz

Staff Present – Lora Mattox, Kevin Kooistra,

Others Present – Kathleen Armstrong

Introductions -

The minutes of the June and August meeting were approved with a correction in the August minutes.

Certificate of Appropriateness - 1 South Broadway - Lora introduced the request for the replacement of several basement windows. The applicant is proposing to replace the existing wood windows with new wood windows that are hopper style. The openings will not be altered and the new wood windows will have the same profile to match existing. Kathleen Armstrong, agent for the applicant, informed the board that the building was built in 1918 and that Randy Hafer of High Plains Architects renovated and converted the old warehouse to apartments in the basement and commercial offices on the main floor. When High Plains completed the renovation they glazed the existing windows, did not replace any. On the North and East side of the building, the windows were replaced with egress windows per building code and basement living space. Kathleen went on to explain that due to the cost of each window, 2-3 of them may become a fixed window rather than the hopper type. The owner is sensitive to the historic character of the building and plans on completing any renovations that are sensitive to the character. Lora opened the public hearing, no public was in attendance, Lora closed public hearing. Kevin Nelson motioned to approve the application as submitted, Judy Goldsby seconded. Discussion included a question from Logan Hendricks regarding why the windows on the remaining windows were not being replaced? Kathleen explained that the remaining windows are located in living units and that would trigger building code to install egress windows, due to the location of the sidewalk and slope of the curb, egress windows in those locations will be an expensive and could impact the character of the building. Kevin Nelson asked if the window were metal clad? Kathleen states that no, they are all wood. Logan then asked about the metal grates and existing screens, they are not very appealing, will those be replaced? Kathleen states that there are no plans to replace the screens and grates, no sure but they may be original to the building. There was no further discussion. On a 4-0 vote, the board approved the COA request.

Public Comment - No public was present but Lora did share that the YHPB will meet on September 16th for two CDBG project reviews. We may also try to schedule a work session on the SHPO grant for this meeting. Kevin reminded the board that the next North Elevation walk is scheduled for September 8th at 6:00 p.m. Meet at Madison Harper.

The next meeting will be on September 16th.