



***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**

**October 21, 2014**

**2825 3rd Avenue North - Miller Building**

**Members Present** –Nancy Curriden, Judy Goldsby, Kevin Nelson, Tabatha Butler

**Members Excused** –Liz Harding

**Members Absent** - Ellen Kuntz, Logan Hendricks

**Staff Present** – Lora Mattox, Kevin Kooistra

**Others Present** –

**Introductions** -

The minutes of the September 3, 2014 special meeting were approved on a motion by Judy and seconded by Tabatha. The minutes of the September 16, 2014 meeting were approved on a motion by Tabatha and seconded by Judy.

**Public Comment** – None.

**North Elevation Historic District Grant** - Lora updated the board that the additional \$2000 from the City Council was approved, giving a total cash amount of \$14,000 for the North Elevation District nomination completion. In addition to the \$14,000 in cash, an additional \$3500 (approximately) is calculated as in-kind match. The in-kind match includes time donated by the Historic Preservation Officer, the YHPB, North Elevation Task Force and some in-kind copy services by the Planning Division. Some of the work that can be completed with volunteers is property record research, architectural style review, photography and review of National Register narrative. Lora will attend the next North Elevation Task Force meeting on November 18th to discuss the project in more detail.

**Consultants Report** – attached

**North Elevation Historic District:**

The focus for the past month has been with re-energizing the historic district nomination.

Elisabeth has been spending 12 hours a week on city deed records at the Courthouse and filling in the historic property record forms for property ownership history.

Elisabeth: Used the online Clerk & Recorder Document Search to record all deed records since 1998 (the year they began recording electronically). Added the architectural notes from the Monday night walks with Ed Gulick to the correct property records.

Elisabeth and Kevin joined Ed Gulick, architect, and Shauna Kerr, of the North Elevation Task force, on Monday evening, September 29 to walk the neighborhood and define the architectural styles of homes on North 31<sup>st</sup>.

The next gathering is scheduled for Monday evening September 8 at 6pm - we will meet at Harper and Madison on 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue North.

We are beginning to fashion a work plan to involve a couple volunteers from the North Elevation Task Force.

**Historic Preservation Officer Report** - Lora stated that she completed the semi-annual CLG report and submitted to SHPO. Liz was re-appointed to the YHPB by the County Commissioners this month for her second term.

**Board Roundtable** – Kevin K stated that he is conducting two tours at 10 am on Friday and Saturday called Suicides and Scandals; Calamities along the Tracks. Lora talked about some of the sessions at the Montana History Conference. Kevin K also discussed an interesting topic at the Montana League of Cities regarding the different housing issues affecting the three very different communities of Billings, Sydney and West Yellowstone.

The next meeting will be on November 18th in the first floor conference room.

