



## ***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**

**July 21, 2015**

**First Floor Conference Room**

**2825 3rd Avenue North**

**Members Present** – Nancy Curriden, Tabatha Butler, Liz Harding, Logan Hendricks and Kevin Nelson

**Members Absent** – Judy Goldsby and Blain Fandrich

**Staff Present** – Lora Mattox and Elisabeth DeGrenier

**Others Present** – Lynda Woods, Community Development Division

**Minutes** - The minutes of the June meeting were approved on a motion from Liz, seconded by Tabatha. Approved.

**Public Comment** – None.

**CDBG Rehab Review – 2020 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue N & 4627 Mitchell Avenue** – The board first reviewed the property on 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue North. This property was constructed in 1935 and work proposed is the replacement of windows and the rear entry door. Some windows have already been replaced and are 1/1 configuration. Windows replaced will be the same configuration of 1/1. The rear entry door will be replaced with a solid rear door. The board had no issues with the proposed work. The next property is the Mitchell rehab. The proposed work is the replacement of entry doors, windows and if money is available the installation of Hardy Board siding. The windows are 1/1 and 2/2 and most will be replaced with same configuration. The bedroom windows under building code need to be full egress, there, any windows replaced in the bedroom will meet the egress code and may be larger openings to accommodate. The board has no issues with the proposed work.

#### **North Elevation Historic District –**

During the month of June, Elisabeth focused on organizing the remaining components that are being outsourced. The remaining architectural descriptions are divided among Eric Simonsen (35), Ed Guilck (18), Kevin Nelson (17) and Logan Hendricks (10). Julie Larson has agreed to photograph the last 8 properties. The mapping component is divided between Eric Simonsen (35) and Nicholas Bryant (116). Elisabeth reached out to the neighborhood to see who had their home's abstracts or who has title insurance. So far, she's received three responses. She is hoping to complete these components by the end of August.

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The Downtown Billings Association received a grant through Tiip to revive downtown and has since placed historical banners and plaques downtown. These all correspond to our Historical Walking Tour app. Each plaque has a brief description of the historical buildings and includes the YHPB logo. The Western Heritage Center is hosting a launch party August 7<sup>th</sup> from 6-9 during Art Walk. All members of the YHPB board are invited!

**Historic Preservation Officer Report** - Lora informed the board that the FCC has asked that the Rimrock Art project not move forward as AT&T's mitigation project. FCC is concerned about affecting local Native American tribes and that full contact and coordination with the tribes would be prohibitive to the scope of work. The board had discussed several projects that could be undertaken for the mitigation project, one of those was documenting and preparing a National Register Nomination for one of our heritage parks. After discussion, the board would like to ask for both Pioneer Park and South Park as the projects. Lora will continue conversation with Parks Department and AT& T consultant to move this project forward.

**Board Roundtable** – None

The next meeting will be held on August 18, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.

Meeting adjourned.