



## ***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 15, 2015**

**First Floor Conference Room**

**2825 3rd Avenue North**

**Members Present** – Logan Hendricks, Blain Fandrich and Kevin Nelson

**Members Absent** – Judy Goldsby, Tabatha Butler, Liz Harding and Nancy Curriden

**Staff Present** – Lora Mattox, Kevin Kooistra and Elisabeth DeGrenier

**Others Present** –

**Minutes** - The minutes of the August meeting were tabled until October due to a lack of a quorum.

**Public Comment** – None.

**CDBG Rehab Review – 123 Birchwood** – This item was tabled until October due to a lack of a quorum.

**North Elevation Historic District** –

During the month of August and into September, the Western Heritage Center staff, Julie Dial, Elisabeth DeGrenier, Kevin Kooistra and Lisa Olmsted, along with Ed Gulick (Architect) and Julie Larsen (Photographer), are working to complete the National Register Nomination for the North Elevation Historic District. Numerous volunteers are helping out, including Kevin Nelson and Blain Fandrich (YHPB board members), Keith Dial, Mary Beth Haynes, Rose Hoven, Joyce Jensen, Ann Kooistra-Manning, Guy Liautaud, Tracy Livingston, Joyce Mayer, Lynn Meade-Larson, Kevin Olmsted, and Eric Simonsen. Lora Mattox, the local Historic Preservation Officer, has been reviewing the work. Kate Hampton, at the Montana State Historic Preservation Office, has been very helpful. Western Heritage Center staff is currently in the editing phase of the 151 property nominations and staff is writing the overall nomination narrative for the neighborhood. This has been our main focus of the museum and volunteers over the month and a half. Staff estimates about 600 hours have been committed to the project in just the past six weeks. The deadline is Monday, September 21, 2015.

**Consultant's Report** – Included in North Elevation update.

**Historic Preservation Officer Report** - Lora informed the board that on she will be attending the Montana History Conference in Bozeman from September 24 – 26. There will be a Certified Local Government meeting and Lora will present on behalf of the board and recent activities. Lora also attended the Yellowstone Kelly Committee's meeting this month to present on the National Register programs and potential grant sources. This group is raising funds to improve the site of Yellowstone Kelly's gravesite.

**Board Roundtable** – Kevin Kooistra informed the group that the Montana History Foundation is looking at a cemetery program. Blain has been working with Jessica from the State Historic Preservation Board and the Advisory Council on possible resurrecting the documentation project for the Rimrocks. This project was not favored by the FCC. Kevin Nelson discussed an YHPB tour of McKinley and Broadwater schools. Lora will send out a couple dates for early October to see what works best.

The next meeting will be held on October 20, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.

Meeting adjourned.