



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 19, 2017
2822 Montana Avenue**

Members Present –Nancy Curriden, Ed Saunders, Kevin Nelson, Sue Mueller, Tracy Livingston, Blain Fandrich

Members Absent –Allen Rapacz

Staff Present –Elisabeth DeGrenier, Tam Rodier and Lora Mattox

Others Present – None

Minutes - The minutes of the October meeting were approved as presented.

Public Comment – No public comment.

CDBG Rehab – 611 Terry Avenue – Tam Rodier presented this project to the board. The house was constructed in 1914 and is approximately 1200 square feet. The architectural style would lend towards a hip roofed bungalow. Work includes the replacement of the windows, stair railing (back), eaves, soffit, fascia, and electrical mast. If funding allows, the gutter and downspouts will also be replaced. The Board stated that this property could be eligible to the National Register as the structure maintains its original features. Sue motions that the use of CDBG funds is appropriate with the recommendation that the window replacement be compatible with the structure with the same type and size configuration, Tracy seconds. Approved.

CDBG Rehab – 112 South 33rd Street – This property was constructed in 1910 and is approximately 3100 square feet. Work proposed includes a new front door, windows, and siding. This property has been renovated previously. Kevin motions to approve the use of CDBG funds on this property, Sue seconds. Approved.

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Elisabeth and Cecelia of the WHC presented at Sky View High School's STEAM day promoting art based careers. Elisabeth spoke about public history and historic preservation avenues.

Elisabeth did research in the Billings Parks and Rec archives at their downtown location and in Mountview for her presentation on Billings' parks on Thursday, December 21. Could be a possible preservation and archival project for YHPB?

2018 round table is marked for March 20th. The WHC is willing to host if there are no other locations available. Will send out list of potential locations to board at the start of the new year. WHC will update the website this month and Elisabeth will send out preliminary invites and nominations in January.

Kate Hampton contacted Elisabeth for a secondary copy of the historic property records for the North Elevation. Requests are being received from homeowners for their plaques.

Historic Preservation Officer Report – Lora reported that she received notice of the 2018 CLG grant announcement. Lora will bring the grant for board action in January. Lora discussed the preliminary discussion on a neighborhood event in North Elevation to unveil the National Register sign that will be placed in the pocket park the intersection of Avenue F and North 32nd Street. The Board will be welcoming a new member in January, James Graff will be the new City of Billings appointed representative. Lora thanked the board members who will be leaving at the end of the year, Ed and Nancy. Both will be greatly missed and we greatly appreciate their dedication to historic preservation.

Board Roundtable – Elisabeth mentions that the WHC center will be closed January and February getting ready for new exhibits. The final 2017 noon WHC program will be this Thursday, December 21st and will be a discussion on the City parks.

The next meeting – January 16, 2018