

March 14, 2006 - 615 S. Clark St.

In attendance were: Erick Vines, Justine Conlan, Dick Gibson, Kelly Rose, Phyllis Hargrave, Sabrina Holland, Robert Edwards (host), Max Detjens (host), Beth Yost, Irene Scheidecker, Julie Crowley, Mitzi Rossillon, Larry Smith, Toni Seccomb and Carrie Kiely.

Larry read the minutes from the February meeting, there were six corrections. Mitzi gave the Treasurer's report. She caught a \$50 mistake! The current balance is \$7,597.71.

The Stained Glass Tour - Dick Gibson said he and Irene have visited all the churches. Insty Prints has not completed the quote for full-color printing, but it looks like 50 posters for \$75. The tour received \$1,000 from URA for brochure/guide printing costs. Jeanette Barnes will design the cover. It will be available for \$5. The tour is free and volunteers are needed.

Dust to Dazzle Tour - Kelly Rose reported that Stacy Wilcox on Granite St. has been approached, but not confirmed. There are currently 5 houses, but we're hoping for 6. Janet Thompson's house on Antimony was a suggestion. The Silk's house (dead baby house) is for sale. The group is having a tea after the tour at the Christian Science church; tickets will be \$12.50 per person or \$20 for two. Bob Benson is in charge of the tea.

Pamphlets on historic design and materials - Mitzi brought up having a design oversight committee for new homeowners in the historic district. She has approached Brian (? Owner of the Silver Dollar) and he said he would be on the committee. Irene said there is a book in existence like that. Phyllis Hargrave said there is one in the Tech library, done by Butte Silver Bow. Mitzi will find it and make copies. Discussion followed about using local Realtors to help with pamphlet distribution, also the website and title companies. We could reproduce entire pamphlets on the website, too.

Jerry Metcalf grant - needs to be mailed 3/15 (i.e., tomorrow). Larry asked for feedback on pre-proposal. He wanted a 2 year program for workshops. Some would require contractors. He will send on 3/15.

Historic Preservation Ordinance Comments - Larry asked for input. Mitzi was concerned about "participatory party" requirements, they were not stringent enough, especially since 'design and review' input is restricted to them. Mitzi suggested amend the 'participatory party' definition to include whole neighborhoods. Mitzi said that Rolene Schliesman (SHPO) recommended passage 'as is' to preserve the Certified Local Government (CLG) status. She thought that there was enough positive content to make dramatic improvements. Julie Crowley asked about Mark Reavis' request for letters to Helena (SHPO) encouraging Butte Silver Bow be dropped from probationary status. Perhaps some could be generated by the board via email.

HIP - ads are on the website, also at the Community Development Center. Andrea may have done something for the paper. Kelly mentioned one interested party had contacted her already.

Old Business - 501c-3. IRS 1023. Larry asked who was involved in the form-filling out committee. He said that one of the lawyers from Poore, Roth and Robertson said she would do preliminary review of the paperwork for free.

Expanded Historic District Dedication reception - Julie reported that the letter to invite Secretary of Interior was mailed. The date for the reception is currently pending a response from the Sec's office. Julie said she displayed the posters she made for the reception at the Heritage Workshop and received favorable comments. The group decided that they would mention the reception in their newsletter and help with publicity. It was their #1 action item! The World Museum of Mining is considering complimenting the reception activity with a 'free day' at the museum. Mike Byrnes is getting 2 street-

wide banners welcoming visitors. Ellen Crain gave Larry's name to a man in Anaconda, David Webb, who's interested in getting the railroad ready. Carrie asked about invitations to the Keeper of the National Register. Mitzi said that it would be better to wait for a date from the Secretary of Interior's office.

Newsletter - Irene said the (January?) newsletter isn't published yet. She reported lots of stories, and was waiting for some feedback from Steve Luft. She thought that perhaps it would be better to publish regardless of feedback before the stained glass tour.

Mitzi said the **Council of Commissioners** would be hearing presentations on the Sears building "tomorrow night", 3/15.

Dick Gibson reported more statistics of the **CPR website**.

Some discussion about the upcoming opening on the **Historical Commission**.

Community Enrichment - Mitzi talked about how BSB is claiming \$1 million dollars in revenue generated from property sales. They'll probably start charging more for developer's packets.

URA - no updates.

Main St. Uptown - no updates.

Phyllis had a great idea about sponsoring an identification contest through the paper featuring details of facades around town. It could be worked like a scavenger hunt.

Robert asked why brick was not salvaged from the demolition of McQuinn Auto Body shop. BSB was required to set it aside for salvage and didn't. Larry asked if the stipulation to save the brick was in the minutes of the public works meetings, or demolition plan. Mitzi asked if he (Robert) would write to the Historic Preservation Commission for documentation.

Action items for next time: 501c-3, newsletter, JMF grant, HIP grants can now go up to \$1,000, and members may apply!

The April meeting will be at Dick Gibson's house, 301 N. Crystal