

March 11, 2008 - CPR Office, MoFAB

The March meeting was called to order by President Larry Smith at approximately 7:00 p.m. In attendance were Stephen Foreman, Dick Gibson, Nicole von Gaza, Mitzi Rossillon, Sharon Amundsen, Julie Crowley, Chuck Carrig, Rolene Schliesman, Mary McCormick, Kelly Rose, and Larry Smith. New additions to the membership mailing list are posted in the "Members Only" pages.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved as summarized by Dick and posted on the web site. One typo was fixed.

ACTION ITEMS - Feb-Mar 2008

- **Dick** - check PayPal re: notifications
- **Dick** - Noorjahan re: D2D
- **Larry** - Dumas, masonry
- **Mitzi** - get Gate Protection report to Robert for review (carryover)
- **Andrea-Kelly** - Article/press release about past winners and 2008 HIP grant (carryover)
- **Mitzi** - tax receipt for Curt
- **Everyone** - talk to possible Commissioner candidates, talk to Cindi Shaw about approach
- **Everyone** - Please contribute to Nicole's Newspaper Article project (see list in Members Only area)
- **Everyone** - Contribute ideas for a name of the Newspaper Article series (contact Nicole)
- **Larry** - Copper City Signs, Board of Realtors re HIP Grant
- **Julie** - Letter to HPC re: granite pavers
- **Someone?** - find out if Rotary would like to have a talk (or talks) from CPR

Treasurer's Report: We've received about \$1500 in recent membership dues; checking account total is \$9337.

Education:

Articles for Newspaper - Nicole reported that Carmen Winslow (*Montana Standard*) plans to run the first of the articles on Sunday March 16, and expects to run them at two-week intervals. Nicole still needs more articles - see Members Only section for the idea list, or come up with your own. Please contribute! Articles need only run 300-350 words. **We need a title for the series** - contact Nicole with suggestions and ideas.

Workshops We were awarded the sub-grant from the SHPO's Preserve America II grant. The budget needs to be tweaked to accommodate \$150 that was assigned to refreshments but needs to go elsewhere. Mitzi is dealing with this in concert with the Workshop coordinators: Windows = Irene (planned for May); Brick = Larry (planned for July); Hot Water Heat = Mitzi & Mike Hogan. Larry has received lots of tips from new member Richard Godbey with Chemical Lime in Nevada.

Tours: The **Dust to Dazzle tour** (slated for June 28) committee met Feb. 27, 6:00 pm, at Kelly's home. They have potential venues at three locations. Dick will check with Noorjahan and others will check with others. Kelly has submitted announcements to Old House Journal and American Bungalow, and Rolene mentioned Preservationdirectory.com as an additional location for announcing things. The **Stained Glass Tour** committee adopted Mitzi's idea of a guided bus or trolley tour, to include businesses, churches, and homes. Details are to be worked out, but the date is scheduled: Sunday May 18.

HIP Grants Butte Board of Realtors donated \$500 to support this program in 2007. Thanks! Andrea

and Kelly will write an article reflecting both last year's awards and the upcoming 2008 program (If Andrea can't get to it, Dick volunteered). Larry will talk to Copper City Signs, as well as to the Butte Board of Realtors about a 2008 donation in support of the program, and will try to involve Jen Titus in the HIP Committee. Deadline for applications is set at May 9.

Salvage: Mitzi has a source for a million pallets (Quality Supply). She also reported on conversations with Restore, Inc. of Missoula, a company upon whose coattails we might ride regarding liability insurance in certain cases of salvage.

Grants: The C&A Grant (for office operational expenses) requires some signatures, provided at this meeting, and an adjusted budget statement, which Dick and Mitzi finished. It should be sent off March 12 and then we can get the first half of the award. Other deadlines are posted on the website calendar.

Membership Drive: See the **membership page** for more information. Our membership is for the calendar year, so dues are now due for 2008!

OLD BUSINESS

Dumas: Larry will deal with the masonry contractor.

Historic Artifact Preservation (cobblestones/granite pavers): Spirited discussion, bottom line is Julie will write a letter to the Historic Preservation Commission requesting that they work with the new HPO toward establishing some kind of policy and means of dealing with the pavers.

National Historic Preservation Month (May): Dick mentioned a list of possibilities including:

- Showing of film *Blue Vinyl* (Mary McCormick)
- Stained Glass Tour - Sunday May 18 (Irene, Dick, Nicole, Julie, Denny) and Stained Glass talk - any day after tour (Dick & Irene)
- Save the Dumas Day - Carrie Nation & others, Susan Roberts? *Prostitutes for Preservation!*
- Open House - St. Paul's (Omar Bradley) ?? - Talk to Bob Baide
- Public Lecture re: the Ordinance & Guidelines (HPO, HPC??)
- Guided walk on BA&P Trail (Dick)
- Performance: *This Butte - in their own words (mostly)*: Mark Twain, Mary MacLane, Marcus Daly, W.A. Clark, Carrie Nation, Frank Little
- Reception @ MoFAB

Hawthorne School - Open House is scheduled for Tuesday March 25, 7:30 p.m. It would be nice if someone who attends could write an article for the newspaper series.

NEW BUSINESS

CPR Library & Office: Larry donated a computer to the office. Dick said he's bought the National Trust Preservation Library and plans to make it available in the office.

Talks: Someone will contact Michelle Anderson with the Rotary about us giving talks to them. Vintage Suites wrote us a nice letter thanking us for our efforts and inviting the board to a lunch, and asking us to make some presentations there as well.

New proposal for Headframes: Julie reported on a proposal to put recreational "zip lines" on headframes. Consensus was that this is an inappropriate use of the historic structures. Julie will bring up the topic with the Restoration Alliance Historic Preservation subcommittee as well as with the RA Recreation subcommittee.

Save America's Treasures: Rolene encouraged us to study these grants and work toward applying for them. They apply to contributing properties in a NHLD.

OTHER DISCUSSION

Mercury Street Revitalization: Spirited discussion including a lot of acknowledgment that we don't really know the facts. We would like to have a presentation from Cindy McIlveen about it. Steve F. will check on ownership of the old building on E. Mercury.

Next Meeting: Tuesday April 8, at our office on the third floor of the MoFAB (405 W. Park)