

## March 10, 2009 • MoFAB

The March meeting was called to order by President Larry Smith at approximately 7:00 p.m. and adjourned at 8:40 p.m. In attendance were Nicole von Gaza, Dick Gibson, Andrea Stierle, Robert Edwards, Julie Crowley, Mitzi Rossillon, Carrie Kiely, Curt Buttons, Stephen Foreman, Shari Schmit, Irene Scheidecker, Kelly Rose, and Larry Smith.

The action items from the last meeting were read.

**Treasurer's Report:** Expenses about \$794, income about \$220 (mostly dues), checking balance about \$7,223.

### Education:

#### Articles for Newspaper

- We are on a hiatus after about 30 were published. The plan is to re-start the series April 1, but we need at least 6 in the slush pile to start again, and there are only two at this point. Dick is the coordinator, at Nicole's request. Larry suggested a topic: "New World of Paints".

### ACTION ITEMS - March-April 2009

- **Larry** - Continue followup with Brown Plumbing, Thomas, etc. re roof drain for Dumas (carryover)
- **Everyone** - review CPR Objectives and comment (carryover)
- **Nicole** - next report for C&A Grant (carryover)
- **D 2 D Committee** - Meeting March 19 at Kelly's
- **Mitzi, Irene, Robert** - Windows Workshop(s) contacts
- **Mitzi** - contact Mike Hogan re HWH workshop
- **Dick** - add various things to web site
- **Nicole** - send Redd Center grant app by March 15
- **Irene, Mitzi** - Greek Cafe Thank-you + History Flyer
- **Dick** - Jim Warner Preservation Award article (carryover)
- **Nicole** - letter to URE re Garland Apts
- **Dick** - draft letter to URA re: their rules
- **Dick** - photos of all HIP awardees; map of all locations (ongoing)
- **Dick** - get form for Salvage space (for users to report purchases etc) into salvage space (carryover)
- **VOLUNTEERS** - hours to Nicole (Workshop-related hours to Larry)
- **Everyone** - Please contribute to Newspaper Article project (see list in Members Only area)

**Workshops:** Windows: Irene has tried to contact the NPS folks with no response. Discussion suggested that we contact Kirby Matthews, USFS Deer Lodge Preservation Team, as one who could do it. **Irene to contact NPS again, Mitzi to contact Kirby, Mitzi to contact Mike Hogan** about a second Hot Water Heat seminar. Discussion at various times during the meeting suggested a goal of "free" for our workshops, given existing and potential grant support.

**Dust to Dazzle tour:** Possibly four locations in place for the tour; two more desired. Focus is on Craftsman style. **Next committee meeting March 19** at Kelly Rose's, 1135 W. Mercury. Contact CPR at info@buttecp.org if you would like to be on this committee or have ideas.

**HIP Grants:** Revisions posted to the web together with "good examples", and Nicole sent the press release which appeared in the paper. Earlier deadline this year (April 3) and there is to be a **workshop** to help people with their proposals - Nicole and Larry will be at the Office (MoFAB) Saturday March 21, 10-3 to spearhead this effort (other CPR members are encouraged to help out!)

**Salvage:** An inquiry came in seeking replacement tin ceiling tiles - has been circulated to those who

may be able to help.

**Grants:** Discussion of need to invoice Dori for the Preserve America SHPO sub-grant for workshops. Mention of need to send in C&A report to free up next release of dollars.

## OLD BUSINESS

**Friends of the Greek Cafe:** Lysa from NPS indicated positive feeling about our CCS grant application. Nicole sent a thank-you note to Council. **Irene and Mitzi** are working on a thank-you-plus-building-history flier. CCS grant determination may be as soon as this July, but even so the money would not be available before Feb. 2010.

**313 S. Idaho demolition request:** HPC voted to invoke the allowed 90-day delay to seek alternatives to demolition.

**Revolving Fund Draft:** Dick said he understood the Consent Decree was on track to be signed in about two weeks. Then the ordinance creating the fiduciary board for the Arco Redevelopment Trust money should proceed apace, and it is probably being worked on now at the staff level. There is discussion as to how the board should be constituted and who the advisory board for it should be; the Butte Restoration Alliance is trying to make a case for it having membership and advisory roles. Most optimistic scenario for everything to be in place is perhaps the first of July; later is likely.

**National Historic Preservation Month (May): Nicole is the coordinator** and will set the theme, if any. The HPC is interested in sponsoring the display CPR had (with HPC and RA co-sponsorship in name) in the Court House. Dick said if they (HPC) want the display panels they need to talk to him since they are his.

**Other:** none

## NEW BUSINESS

**APA's Great Places Planning Grant (Julie):** We missed the deadline, and Julie says this is something that should come from the Planning Dept. (APA is American Planning Association).

**Vandalism Posters (Julie):** Julie is following up on this.

**Redd Center grants (Nicole & Dick):** Nicole sent the REF around, Dick drafted three starting-point scenarios. Group tonight decided to submit the grant application to request support for workshops in 2009-2010, after our PA grant expires. Deadline for submission March 15, awards announced April 15, money available May 1, maximum amount \$3,000. **Nicole will handle.**

## OTHER REPORTS

**Historic Preservation Commission:** One vacancy, seeking a "Realtor" but some vagueness as to exactly what that means and it is a "may be" rather than a "must be". The HPO position announcement closes March 12. Robert reported that the HPC had a nice, non-commercial presentation on windows from John Marvin, and that there is a plan to have him give the same presentation specifically to the URA board. Would CPR like to sponsor a public presentation by him? Consensus was yes, and maybe CPR could pay for a night's lodging or an honorarium from the Workshop Grant, and maybe he would be a Dust-to-Dazzle sponsor. **Robert, Irene, and Mitzi to follow up** regarding scheduling and coordination with the broader Windows Workshop.

**Community Enrichment:** Discussion of "where does the license plate money go?" Larry asked a lot

of county folks but no one seems to know, as some informed him rather rudely.

**URA:** Discussion of need to bird-dog the URA to try to ensure that they follow their own rules, for example in not approving funding for projects that have already started, failing to go through the HPC for design review, allowing competitive bidding by entities associated with the applicant, and failing to follow up on required conditions for the funding. Suggestions for individual letters as well as something official from CPR. Separately, **Nicole indicated her plan to write** to the URA about the stained glass windows in the Garland Apartments.

## **OTHER DISCUSSION**

None.

**Next Meeting:** *Tuesday April 14.*