

May 8, 2012 - Butte Archives

Present: Bobbi Stauffer, Theresa Doty, Michael Basel, Dick Gibson, Larry Smith, Julie Crowley, Stephen Foreman, Gretchen Miller, Chad, Mike Hogan, Mitzi Rossillon, Doug Shidler, Robert Renouard on phone. 7:00-8:30.

Action Items: **Mitzi** - bullet points re concerns on vacant buildings ordinance proposal to Dick; **Dick** draft letter. **Julie** - letter to Walkerville re: St. Lawrence church - go/no go in absence of CCSP money? **Theresa** - work with Mark Reavis re Carpenters' Union Hall. **HIP committee** - signs; **Dick** to work toward sign for Special Projects. Not discussed, but **990 tax form deadline is May 15.**

Treasurer's report: about \$42,000 in bank.

Old Business

Historic Preservation Ordinance revision: committee has not met.

Open Space zoning: nothing to report

Graffiti removal project: Mitzi reported that 6 people cleaned up 8 places. About 8 remaining, plan to have another event.

Dumas skylight repairs: has not happened; bad weather, and Scot is moving.

Windows painting: Creperie and Tait done. Butte Central students will have a history tour from Mark Reavis on May 10, 1-3.

Dust to Dazzle tour: 6 locations + tea, 7 vendors, volunteers still needed (contact Mitzi or Anna Doctor)

Anaconda Road memorial [moved to old business by secretary]: Julie reported many people/orgs are seeking to use the pavers. Planning continues.

Vacant Buildings Ordinance: following up on discussions within Community Enrichment Committee seeking to pursue such an ordinance. Example given from Minnesota would allow easy demolition of anything after a year of being vacant. Might be a way around the Historic Preservation rules. We wish to indicate our concerns. Mitzi to send Dick a list of talking points, Dick to draft letter for board approval.

Special Project Grants: discussion that official notice needs to be given to the four candidates, asking for them to formally indicate that they can or cannot proceed without the CCSP money. Mary MacLane and Knights of Columbus are both proceeding. Trinity church contacted, no response. St Lawrence church (Walkerville) not contacted, but they have a new, much lower bid for painting. Julie to contact for the go/no go indication, given the lack of the CCSP money. June 1 is deadline.

New Business

Carpenters' Union Hall: suggestion of inviting Joe Tobiness for a 10-minute informational presentation next fall, closer to the next action. Anything we do needs to be coordinated with the locals, and should go through Mark Reavis who has been working with them.

HIP Grants: Committee (Larry, Mitzi, Andrea) recommends the following. All have some issues of

details, materials, colors, etc. to be worked out between CPR and owners, so these are recommendations contingent on those issues. If those issues are worked out, the members present and the quorum of the board present approved the following, totalling \$6,900:

- Barber, 411 W. Park - for porch and painting, \$3,300.
- Madrazzo, Front Street Station - for doors on eastern depot building, \$2,000.
- Mohan, 108 S. Arizona - for repairs on access to second floor, \$1,000.
- Trafford, 711 N. Emmett - paint and stain, \$600.

The HIP committee will find the existing metal signs promoting CPR at HIP awardees' locations. Dick will work on a plastic sign for the Special Projects.

Other Discussion

Salvage: could/should we have a salvage sale? We don't have all that much stuff. Mike discussed possible specific sale of windows stored at the Tait. Gretchen Miller asked if CPR would want the toilets in the old YMCA; consensus was no, if they want to sell them they could have their own salvage sale; but CPR is certainly interested in the building and its interior if the possible projects there come to fruition (science academy, dorm, etc.)

Charles Clark Chateau: Gretchen Miller, BSB Arts Foundation, discussed the needs there. The city-county owns it but has no money. Gretchen has made a list of issues, ranging from repairs on front gate and back door to serious plumbing problems. People suggested trying to get the Chateau into a budget line item; giving an informational presentation to council; working on the URA for matching support. Gretchen wants the Chateau to be more available to the community, for space use, for history connections, and whatever else is possible. Discussion of CPR's previous open houses (Leonard, and YMCA), and maybe we could/should do another one and the chateau could be a venue. Nothing formalized.

Announcement

Theresa Doty is the new appointee to the Historic Preservation Commission, filling out the 1 year remaining in a seat vacated by a resignation.

Next meeting: June 12, Archives.