

**MEETING MINUTES – April 21, 2020**  
**BUTTE CITIZENS FOR PRESERVATION & REVITALIZATION**

**Call to Order:** Larry Smith called the meeting to order shortly after 7:07 p.m. The teleconference was held via Zoom.

**Attendees:** Board Members: Larry Smith, Mitzi Rossillon, Noorjahan Parwana, Nancy Woodruff, Jason Silvernale, and Pat Mohan. Not present: Doug Shidler. Other attendees: Keegan Hall, Joe Tavary, Kelly Rose, Tom Nance, and Scribe Lee Whitney.

**Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:** The March 2020 minutes were approved.

**Public comment:** None

**Reports/Announcements:**

- **Treasurer's Report:** Mitzi distributed a report prior to the meeting via email (attached). Basically, the report shows that 10% of the budget (rather than the expected 25%) was expended in the first quarter. We are still holding in abeyance the \$7,500 for the Stephens' Block and \$10,000 for the Basin Creek House. Mary McCormick will find out about her grant application for work on the Basin Creek House by early June.
- **Council of Commissioners:** No report.
- **URA Meeting:** A URA meeting has not been held.
- **HPC Meeting:** The HPC approved the design review of CPR's proposal to restore the prismatic glass window at 7 S. Montana St. It will be up to the URA to determine if funding will be granted for the project. A meeting is not scheduled at this time.
- **Website:** No report.

**Committee Reports:**

- **Dust to Dazzle Update:** Kelly reported that they have received half of the agreements from property owners. Larry brought up that only one of the properties is occupied at this time (the Kelley Mansion where the tea will be held). Kelly said that they will decide on April 30 whether or not to proceed with the tour. She talked about the cons of trying to reschedule the tour. She is not in favor of rescheduling for personal and practical reasons. Kelly's work on the project was recognized by the board, and she shared that with the other volunteers on the committee. She and Larry both acknowledged Bart Wackerbarth for securing several healthy sponsorships.
- **Prismatic Glass Project:** Other than the update on the HPC, there was nothing to report.
- **HIP Grants:** Larry said he has several volunteers to review applications. He has sent material via DropBox. Larry will be in the field working the first 10 days of May while the review is taking place. He asked Pat Mohan if he had heard anything from Jill Barber about their application for work on the Cabbage Patch. He had not.

- **1772 Project:** Keegan is working with Brianne Downey from the URA on potential granting agencies. Joe reported that he is continuing to work on the outline.
- **Salvage Sales:** In response to a question, Mitzi said that, although they don't want to have many people in the storage place at this time, she and Mike Hogan will try to accommodate people who want items. Nothing else will be done until restrictions are lifted. She did say that they have about 20' of wrought iron fencing that is in 3 to 5' lengths.
- **Sign Committee:** Nancy and Noorjahan said that because of the virus, they have done very little. Now that the new normal is becoming more comfortable, they may contact potential partners who are interested in and willing to work on the project, such as Carol Link. They discussed three categories of signs that they will concentrate on initially: no off-premise signs, no flashing signs and Zone C3 which allows billboards.

**Other:** Jason reported that Northwestern Energy is going to demolish one of its buildings in Great Falls. Although preservationists have tried for years to find a new use, nothing appropriate has arisen.

Mitzi reported that both the O'Rourke and the Carpenter Union Hall have applied for the new DOC money that is funded by the bed tax. Because of the virus, it is difficult to determine how much will be available.

**Adjournment:** Larry adjourned the meeting at 7:45 p.m.