Minutes, Cheyenne Historic Preservation Board Regular Meeting

Meeting Date & Time: Tuesday, May 9, 2023–6:00 pm

Meeting Place: Zoom and Council Chambers
Attendees: Cheyenne Historic Preservation Board
Ex-Officio City Council Representative (invited)
Urban Planning Office Representative (invited)

Meeting called to order by Milward

- 1. Roll Call
- X Milward Simpson, Chair
- X Max B. Carre', Vice Chair
- X Cathie Tabor-Douglas, Secretary
- X Gary Sims
- X David Benner
- X Don Herrold
- X Josh Chrysler
 - **Amber Conwell**
- X Elizabeth Bales
- X Patrick Bustos

Others Present: Lonnie Olson and Charles Bloom, City Planning, Councilman Richard Johnson

2. Approval of Minutes:

No minutes available. They will be available in the June meeting

3. Audience Business:

4. Comments/Report from City Council Rep.

Councilman Richard Johnson stated that nothing has happened in the last few weeks regarding historic preservation.

5. Comments/Report from Urban Planning Office Rep.

Lonnie reported he has been working with the Community Recreation office to get the water turned on for Airport Fountain Park turned on the 17th of May. Electrician will be out to evaluate the issues we were having. Hopefully after the 19th it will be ready to go. Renee Smith, grants writer & Lonnie will be going to NEPA training with the 2022 CLG Grant.

Charles reported on the Reed railroad corridor as it was suggested that this be reviewed for a nomination for national registration district. He met with others to have consultant interviews for a 100% design plan to make a multi mobile transportation corridor.

Patrick asked the planning department for a budget from last year to have a better understanding of what we have, where it came from and what plans the board has for it.

6. Strategic Goals Reports

Historic Structures Signage – Gary is still looking at a reasonable cost sign company as they vary greatly. If any board members have homes they feel will be good for this project please do a write up so the committee can go forward once the sign company has been found.

National Register Places – Josh reported that the Capitol North extension project is still moving forward and is current with SHPO for review and are waiting for revisions that are expected. Update on the black / African American project – Josh had reached out to the Casper historic group and did receive their copy of the grant write up they had done. This will be good to assist Lonnie in ours. Josh has been doing some community outreach for information.

Airport Fountain Celebration – Patrick reported from the committee meeting. They are looking at possibly August 5th or August 12th at 11:00 for the date of the celebration. \$5,000 – 10,000 budget for the event they feel will be needed. They will be somewhat mimicking the first event for the program. They would like to get the costs of the event sponsored through different organizations.

Historic Preservation Month –Facebook page is getting more and more reactions through the month with the posts that Don has put up. Page has reached over 16,000 people, new pages likes is 45, new page followers 62 and 328 comments. Most of that has come this last week. Richard read the proclamation at the event for the LeClerc Jones award which was well attended at the church.

Education of the youth in Historic Preservation – David heard back from LCSD #1 and they are not doing anything currently on historic preservation. Seventh Day Adventist has not been doing anything either. St. Mary's does have a program and Don is reaching out to them.

Ornaments – The design was present by Gary for the year. It is the Capitol top and he will be putting a gold piece on the back from the Capitol dome. He will be ordering 750 this year and feels that these will sell. No motion needed for costs for the ornaments.

7. Old Business

Update on 315 E 21st – Lonnie had sent the application to the board previously and it was reviewed by Lonnie in detail. The planning department would recommend approval of the application as it is line with the ordinance and their code. Mr. Palacios discussed his application and is trying to make the home in line with what is being asked. Amber had emailed an opinion to Lonnie and it was read to the board. Don moved to approve the certificate of appropriateness for 315 E 21st Street; Seconded by Gary; Motion amended to add the conditions that the historic preservation staff member review the plans to adhere to the certificate of appropriateness with approval of the second. Approved by all.

Pump House – Charles has been talking with other organizations regarding funding on the project. He also consulted with the City Treasurer to be sure there were funds for the demolition of the additions on the back of the structure.

Burlington Northern sign – no update currently.

Dubois Award – Don discussed a mid-mod house and he has visited with the owner. Property is 1714 East 19th Street. Not a typical mid-mod as is larger with a bedroom apartment for a maid. Built in 1956 and original owner was Abraham Fox. He showed slides of the inside building. Owned by Carol McDonald and she is working on maintaining and restoring the character of the house. Gary moved to award this home the Dubois Award; Seconded by Patrick. Approved by all. Don will inform the owner and will coordinate the planning of the event possibly in August in September.

Demo by Neglect – No comments have been made to the City on the revisions. Put this as prominent in the next meeting.

8. New Business None

9. Other Business

Josh asked about the VOA building. Planning department reported there was an article in the paper on the building. There will be a community meeting at the location next Wednesday, the 17th at 5:00 going over the project.

Charles discussed a follow up on the E 21st project. He feels that we need to go out and advertise this district to preserve our history.

10. AdjournMeeting adjourned