

Minutes, Cheyenne Historic Preservation Board Regular Meeting

Meeting Date & Time: Tuesday, September 20, 2022 – 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
- Max B. Carre', Vice Chair
- Cathie Tabor-Douglas, Secretary
- Jason Bogstie
- X Gary Sims
- X David Benner
- John Brewster
- X Don Herrold
- Josh Chrysler
- X Amber Conwell
- X Elizabeth (Libby) Bales

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

2. Approval of Minutes:

No minutes were presented. These will be posted by the next meeting for review.

3. Audience Business:

None

4. Comments/Report from City Council Rep.

Richard discussed the racial covenants and there will be a meeting October 20th. Resolution did pass. Dan with Habitat and he has reached out to First American Title and Richard had forwarded that to Cathie. Attorney and Title Company will be present if anyone would like to attend.

City council goal session was held. One thing that came up is City's acquisition of 11 rail cars to be put on the 15th street project. Some will be at the 15th street project and others will be stored and be refurbished. If the city could not refurbish them, they could sell some of them.

Hynds building did close in August. No updated on the whole and still under the ownership of LEADS.

Finance committee yesterday was 1.4 mil dollars to go into the downtown core district. A lot went into the plaza, parking garage and some enhancements into the depot. There is still 4.5 mil left that can be collected in the 6th penny tax which the Board could possibly see if any of our projects align with the verbiage on the tax that we could tap into.

Amber was wondering if the Artist Guild where a car ran into would qualify for this? Richard does not feel that this would qualify as it is out of the downtown development district. Pumphouse may be in the district. The tax was drafted as economic development so it would have to align with that. Boundaries are 22nd on the north, House Ave. on east, Snyder on the west, and UP Railroad at 15th on the south and one block that extends all the way to 3rd street on Central as reported by Charles Bloom. Amber brought up the Bell building as well. Richard did discuss other avenues of funding that the current owners are aware of.

Richard discussed the process if we had something in mind for some of these funds.

5. Comments/Report from Urban Planning Office Rep.

Lonnie reported that they had a couple of other property owners contact them about grants for their properties and they were directed to SHPO such as Netford building. 520 East 21st Street could be coming forward for roof extension.

6. Committee Chairs' & Liaisons' Reports

Milward met with Councilman Aldredge at her request. There is an effort to shore up some bylaws and processes of some of the boards and commissions. Richard described this as Title 2 of City Code that goes through City Board to look at codes as they are written to see if current practices are in line with current happenings.

7. Old Business:

Pump house: Charles discussed funding on the pump house. There is 20,000 that is dedicated to the project. They are working on double checking with the purchasing department and will go forward with the project. They will be doing looking at previous plan and prepare a structural pan done to prepare the building for the moth balling to occur.

Airport fountain naming resolution: We have 289 signatures at the City for this. We are 11 short, and we need about 10% more to send in. Gary would like to find a council person that would support the resolution to go forward. Moved to reach out to other council in Ward 1 to support the name by Gary, 2nd by Josh. All approved. The board will reach out to other council people to ask for a sponsor was approved. Milward is willing to go to the Farmers Market to get signatures. Gary voiced his opinion on we need an additional 20-30 signatures to be sure that we have enough. We also need to make sure all the board members sign it as well.

Airport fountain phase II: Lonnie reported that phase II is more or less to complete. Mason will be back to do some final work and repair some hairline cracks. Grant reimbursements are being done now and invoices being paid. Celebration has been cancelled. The power issue is outside of Blue FCU on an island, and it had been repaired, but is now shorting out and limited

power to the fountain. The celebration should be postponed until the repair is totally complete. There also appears to be something on the breaker that could be causing the issues. There are a couple of panels that are broke on the stained glass that Gary could fix as he has stained glass experience. Per Richard we would need to get clarification to be sure that this is allowed under guidelines and insurance in case of any accident. Richard does not feel that this would be ok. Charles will discuss with the City to see what is necessary to get this repaired. We do have an extra \$10,000 extra from the grant that the board still has for the fountain so this can be used for the repairs. A press release was put out that the celebration was cancelled but there may have been something in the paper still announcing it. Boards opinion is that we should put out some sort of story telling the large amount of construction to finish phase II to explain to the public the work and why the fountain is not on as was advertised. Don will reach out to Cowboy State News to see if we can get something run.

Ornaments are in and numbered. Invoice was provided to be paid. Gary has been marketing them and he gave funds to the City to cover almost all of the cost of them. All other funds received should be profit. He also put an ad in the traders and gave an invoice to the city. These are ¼ page ads and 3 will be run. Gary suggested that we put something on the website to advertise for the ornaments. Also suggested that we could use the list that Cathie has to call or email these parties to see if they have any interest.

Gary talked about the house across the street from the Governor's Mansion. The board had been made aware that there is a current permit for foundation work, however Gary noted that that there is much more work being done. Gary asked the board to drive by the house on their way home to see the amount of work. Charles will talk to the building department to see if there are any other permits and will ask for the building department to go and take a look at it. This property is 315 E 21st.

8. New Business:

Capitol North Expansion – Milward met with SHPO, Lonnie and Charles. Lonnie reported that based on the conversation with Brian with SHPO and he had made comments on the survey used and those comments were not addressed. The organization of the structures table was not as commented on or has been done in the past. There were also a few minor grammar fixes and other changes that are easy fixes. This can be fixed as a board organized group and make changes to resubmit to the State Review Board and they have a November meeting and February meeting. We have missed the November so we can work towards the February.

Bylaws Update - Lonnie presented that there were some items that were missing in the Bylaws that explains the national historical district process. He is updating them to be more specific.

9. Other Business:

David brought up a book called the Lantern House. He thought that the Community Outreach Committee could reach out to the schools with 2nd grade +- a year or two in a historic district. Possibly see if the kids can draw or paint their houses and give them a copy of the book. David

is willing to work with the committee to see if we can get this going. Gary brought up possibly have children draw historic buildings, do our own book and sell that.

10. Adjourn:

Milward adjourned the meeting.