

Minutes, Cheyenne Historic Preservation Board Regular Meeting

Meeting Date & Time: Tuesday, July 11, 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)

1. Roll Call

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
X Amber Conwell
X Elizabeth Bales
Patrick Bustos

2. Approval of Minutes from:

June 13, 2023 minutes reviewed. Don moved to approved, Josh seconded. All approved

3. Audience Business: Comments from the Audience

Katie Leeper with the State Historic Preservation Office came to visit and was available to answer any questions we had.

4. Comments/Report from City Council Rep.

Richard Johnson discussed the article sent out about black history. Members from Masonic Temple did come to the City Council board regarding grant they received. Most of the items on the agenda were for the City and not historic preservation. Any ideas from the board for goals for the city in 2024 please reach out to Richard.

5. Comments/Report from Urban Planning Office Rep.

Lonnie presented that the blight study for the downtown area was approved by the City. Charles let the board know that the DDA will be meeting this week to discuss grants that are available for enhancements of the downtown.

6. Strategic Goals Report

Cheyenne Homes with History – Gary stated his committee has not met. Gary does have some estimates from different companies for signage but none have a good lifespan or quality. He is continuing to search for a company that can do the signs and is hoping to work with a local company. If any of the board have homes of interest, please let him know. He has at least 3 homes if not 4 that he would like to get going very soon.

National Register of Historic Places – No update from Josh and he referred to Lonnie. Lonnie reported that we just missed the committee that reviews the nominations but we are on the next agenda. Lonnie does expect some comments with revisions. He has started drafting the application for a grant for the black history district.

Airport Fountain Celebration – Date possibly planned for August 4th. Plumbers are having issues getting parts for the wide strainer. Lonnie will send an update when he hears from the plumber. Don reported that they are trying to coordinate with Art Cheyenne to do the event. They are planning on a 5K at the airport the same month and it could make the event a great celebration. With the 5K being planned on the 26th the board feels that we should do the same day. This would allow the plumber more time to get the fountain up and running to the full extent. SHPO would like to be involved in the event as well.

Education of the Youth in Historic Preservation – Nothing new.

Ornaments – Ornaments are in. 5th year we have done them. Gary has already sold over 250. 7 hidden items in the image and on the back, he has gold leaf from the original Capitol dome and is putting it on the back. Don will get it on Facebook. Gary will get some to Cathie at TownSquare Title for selling. Gary presented invoices for glue and reprinting inserts along with additional charges for \$286.87. Josh moved to approve repayment. Amber seconded. All approved.

7. Old Business

Pumphouse Update – Charles reported they are working on the professional drawings to do work on the pumphouse to fix the structure.

Burlington Northern Sign Update – No update for this month

Big Boy Sign in Holliday Park Update – City has taken the sign down and is working to update the sign and get it replaced.

8. New Business

Demolition by Neglect – No comments have been received from the board. The city would like this to go to City Council to go through the process. With possibly final approval in August. The City would like one of the members to be there for the process and meetings.

Update on 315 E 21st Street – Foundation was removed on the structure to the extent that the property would be condemned. City has reached out to a structural engineer and they believe the property can be restored. The applicant has stated he still wants to restore the structure. Mr. Palacios attended and is working with the engineer and working forward with the foundation repairs to stabilize the structure.

9. Other Business

Gary discussed the timing it takes for the meetings as it seems to take longer for the board meetings. He wanted to check to see if the book that all new members get to see if it still being given. It has been given to all new board members.

Dubois Award – We need more volunteers for a meeting on August 19th and planning the event in September.

10. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned