

Minutes, Cheyenne Historic Preservation Board Regular Meeting

Meeting Date & Time: Tuesday, August 8, 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

- X Milward Simpson, Chair
- 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
- Elizabeth Bales
- X Patrick Bustos

2. Approval of Minutes from:

July 11, 2023 regular meeting minutes reviewed. Josh moved to approve the minutes; Don seconded. All approved.

3. Audience Business:

Angela Wolf came from the Laramie County Library and wanted to be more involved in historic preservation.

4. Comments/Report from City Council Rep.

Richard Johnson reported that at no one attended the city meeting for the ordinance that we submitted. Councilman Laybourn, Councilman Dr. Renee, Councilman Seagrave are on the committee. They all had several questions and concerns regarding loans or funds being available for historic preservation in the ordinance. Committee felt that a lot of the ordinance could be dealt with in the current codes. The ordinance did go forward and Council made it known that someone from the historic board should attend the next meeting.

Lonnie reported that Charles had comments on the ordinance. Several comments were discussed by Lonnie on what came up at the meeting.

Meeting dates follow and someone from the board should attend:

- Introduction and Referral 07/24/2023 at 6pm
- Public Service Committee 08/08/2023 at noon
- Second reading 08/14/2023 at 6pm Cathie will attend to answer questions from Council
- Public Service Committee 08/22/2023 at noon
- Third and final reading 08/28/2023 at 6pm

5. Comments/Report from Urban Planning Office Rep.

Lonnie reported that city staff and planning department are working on updating plans so that a cost of a building permit could be reimbursed. This will be limited to the downtown district with a contributing structure.

Lonnie let the board know that the Masonic Temple was working on the RFP.

West downtown planning project was heard last Thursday and was approved by the urban planning authority and is set to be heard by the planning commission. This will set up tax increment financing for historic structures that need worked on.

6. Strategic Goals Report

Cheyenne Homes with History -

Gary stated that there was no meeting last month with CFD going on. He has found a sign company locally that will be approx. \$250 to start for the sign but this does not include mounting or posts.

National Register of Historic Places – Josh had nothing to report. Lonnie reported that Capitol North has been sent on and the parties reviewing had a couple of minor changes that Lonnie will be taking care of. It is now set to be reviewed by the state review board on October 19th and then it will be sent to the National level. The board will revisit the date in September to set person(s) from the board to attend. Milward and Amber may be able to attend.

No update on the CLG Grant for the black history project in the works.

Airport Fountain Celebration -

Plumber is coming next week to check the fountain and complete repairs. The fountain should be up and fully running for the event on September 9th from 10 to 2. This will be in conjunction with Arts Cheyenne and have asked for someone from the board to attend their meetings. The steering committee meeting is on the 16th and Milward will attend. Invitations are going out later this month. It would be nice to have most of the board in attendance. Gary will pick up the remaining fountain ornaments to sell at the function.

Education of the Youth in Historic Preservation –

David reported that the only update is that the Classical Academy is asking for a waiver for this as they have no curriculum.

Ornaments –

Gary discussed that he has sold 4,600 in ornaments and another \$300 that should have been given to the city. He has sold the first lady of Wyoming \$1200. Entire cost of the ornaments has been covered. Cathie has over \$700 collected as well.

Lonnie reported that other boards have contacted him on the ornaments and are working on mimicking us.

7. Old Business

Pumphouse Update –

Lonnie reported that the pumphouse is progressing but is going slowly at this point. HCI was going to have a meeting with the Mayor but it was postponed due to COVID.

Burlington Northern Sign Update –

No update at this time.

Big Boy Sign in Holliday Park Update –

Lonnie reported that he is looking into other sources of information for what was previously on the sign and will continue to do so.

8. New Business

Josh asked about the progress on the Arboretum. Amber had attended the tour and this is a good project that we should be involved in. They are looking at making this into a state park but there is a lot of work to be done. Lonnie has been in contact with Jessica Freese and has offered to give tours to the board if we would like.

9. Other Business

Councilman Johnson reiterated how important it was for the board to attend the City Council meeting to answer any questions they had on the ordinance. He suggested that we put a work session together to address items that come up if it passes 2nd reading.

10. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned