



Yellowstone Historic Preservation Board

*A Certified Local Government (CLG)
Program representing four governing bodies:*

*City of Billings
City of Laurel*

*Yellowstone County
Crow Tribe*

*MEETING MINUTES
February 16, 2021
Via Zoom
2825 3rd Avenue North*

Members Present – Blain Fandrich, Zachary Garhart, Becky Jeter, Kevin Nelson, and Brenna Moloney

Members Excused – Evan Bruce and Keith Edgerton

Staff Present –Lora Mattox and Cecelia Gravinsky

Others Present –

Call to Order

Public Comment – No public comment.

Minutes – Zach motioned, seconded by Brenna to approve the minutes of the January meeting. Motion approved.

Old Business:

2021 YHPB Roundtable – Continue to look at October as the date for the Roundtable, however, the board will start the solicitation of award nominations in March. The two awards are the Eugene Carroll award to an individual in the area of historic preservation and the Best Practices award for a project.

2021 YHPB Work Plan – Blain reviewed the draft work plan with the board. Blain is currently reviewing the research provided by Cecelia. Blain encourages the board to provide any input or let Lora or Cecelia know if you would like to review the narrative or other parts of the nomination. Cecelia comments that the WHC is looking to offer a walking tour of Riverside Park this summer. Blain also mentions he introduced himself to Aaron Bryan, the new Tribal Historic Preservation Officer and mentioned the YHPB. He will call him in a month or so to gauge interest in participating in the board. With the Zoom technology, a member from the Crow Tribe could participate without driving all the way to Billings. Under the Education opportunities, Becky would like to encourage the placement of display boards at both the Billings and Laurel libraries. Cecelia and Lora will help with that development. Brenna motioned to approved the 2021 YHPB Work Plan as presented, Zach seconded, approved.

New Business: None

Other Business:

Board Roundtable: Cecelia reports that the Western Heritage Center will reopen on March 3 with new exhibits.

Consultant Report:

Cecilia shared the following from the Western Heritage Center:

- Cecelia, Blain and Kevin K toured Riverside Park and got some good photos and Blain was able to help with the building descriptions.
- Continue to answer research requests from the public.

Future Agenda Items:

Next YHPB Meeting: TBD