

## Historic Resources Board Meeting

### Minutes

Thursday, June 1, 2023, at 10:00 AM

Community Service Center, 118 E. 7th, 3rd Floor Conference Room

1. Call to Order (10:00 AM) by Chair Bob Wren  
Present: Chair Bob Wren, Vice-Chair Terry LaValley, Lynette Foulger, Mary Lynn McKenna, and Rose Nyman  
Staff: Gayla Hess and Carl Hamming

2. Previous Meeting Minutes  
Anaconda's Past, a community speaker series event, was held May 11, 2023, at Noon at The Forge. The presentation was attended by members Bob Wren, Terry LaValley, Rose Nyman, and Gayla Hess. The recording is available at <https://www.adlc.us/724/Anacondas-Past>

For National Preservation Month, the group hosted "Historic Stroll on Main Street" on May 20, 2023. The stroll highlighted several buildings on the National Register. Members Lynette Foulger, Terry LaValley, Mary Lynn McKenna and Rose Nyman were all in attendance along with Gayla Hess. Photos from the event are linked on Anaconda's Past webpage (link above).

Rose Nyman moved to approve May 4<sup>th</sup> minutes. Mary Lynn McKenna seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Public Comment : None.

Documents : [23-05-04 HRB MINUTES DRAFT.PDF](#)

3. Unfinished Business
  - 3.1. Preservation Month Follow-up (4.6.1)  
May event
    - Recap/Lessons Learned
    - Thank you notes for guides, CEO, and Executive Assistive:
      - Milo Manning (Lynette)
      - Terry Montgomery (Lynette)
      - Margaret Ricci (Mary Lynn)
      - Sam Walters (Mary Lynn)
      - Jerry Lussy (Lynette)
      - Bill Everett (Rose)
      - Heather Edwards (Rose)
      - Copper Village (Mary Lynn)

Rose shared with the group that Commissioner Beasoleil attended and said that he learned a lot on the tour and thanked the group during a commission meeting. She also stated that the event was well attended and would like to see it repeated. Mary Lynn agreed. Rose passed along that the Montana would like to

be included and Terry LaValley supported including the building next year. Mary Lynn said that once tours were lined up, planning was simpler than other events; lucked out with the weather.

Bob Wren asked about the timing, and Mary Lynn said most were ahead of schedule. Terry noted the theatre took longer.

Bob asked what could be done better. Rose thought the speakers may have felt rushed, complimented all guides, and thought St. Mark's with Marg playing the organ was the crowd favorite.

Lynette asked if the walking tour would always be centered on Main. Mary Lynn thought the theatre could be included every year and that walkability is important. Group listed First Montana, St. Pete's, Post office and Elks as other candidates.

Volunteers for sending thank you notes are listed in parentheses.

Public Comment: None.

### 3.II. Speaker Series (5.1.7)

- June event and tasks, including:
  - Greeter (Terry and Lynette)
  - Introduction (Mary Lynn)
  - Thank you notes (Gayla)
  - Handout – Smeltermens Day ad
  - Distribute posters (Terry, Bob, Lynette, Mary Lynn and Gayla)
  - Cookies (Lynette) and coffee (Mary Lynn)
- 2023 Schedule, including October event
- Gift for maintenance staff at The Forge

Tasks: Bob let the group know he will not be at the event. Members then volunteered for tasks (listed in parentheses). Rose offered to bring napkins, plates, and cups.

Schedule: Rose sent an email to Kate Hampton about the October event, and recommended postponing this topic until other speakers can be found. Rose suggested Dave McKernan to speak about Discovery Basin's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2024. Carl Hamming clarified the anniversary is this winter season, and Bob thought this would work well right before the start of the season. Carl volunteered to reach out to the potential speaker.

Mary Lynn McKenna made a motion to invite Dave McKernan to present on Discovery's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in October. Terry LaValley seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Gift: Bob asked about previous gifts and noted that Patty helps with setup and making sure coffee is refilled throughout the event. Rose reported that \$50 was given last year. Bob asked about funding, and Rose said that \$350 is available

through the CEO budget and additional funding is anticipated. Rose volunteered to take care of getting and delivering gift cards.

Mary Lynn McKenna moved to approve (2) \$50 gift cards for Forge staff. Lynette Foulger seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Public Comment: None.

### 3.III. CLG 2023-2024 Grant

Potential projects for \$2,000 funding:

- Story mapping for historic neighborhoods
- Cemetery project
  - Tours (with printable maps and possible story mapping for virtual tour)
  - Other
- National Register nomination

Carl asked if this was a one-time additional grant offer, and Gayla confirmed that it is in addition to the regular \$2000 grant and is to be used on a project.

Rose told the group of additional funding anticipated and thought 2 projects could be selected. Lynette wondered if any of the projects could be made to involve younger kids.

Mary Lynn asked about the printable maps and how it would build on the online map. Gayla explained that the printable maps could be for a self-guided tour with an online story map to highlight individuals and how they've impacted the community. Rose asked if the County Attorney had reached out to Gayla concerning liability issues. Rose mentioned Morgan Evans daughter and how flowers are regularly placed on her grave. Mary Lynn thought people would be interested in the ties to Lizzie Borden or offered Spanish [Inquisition- American War Veterans plot](#) as a theme. Terry asked where the maps could be made available.

Mary Lynn asked about a National Register nomination and if it would of the north side. Gayla confirmed the group had spoken of nominating this neighborhood and that homeowners need to be onboard for the nomination. Carl asked if property owners have been contacted yet and recommended meeting with them face-to-face. Bob asked if a National Register nomination creates restrictions to a property and Gayla explained that it does not.

Lynette Foulger moved to table until next month to allow more time to consider. Mary Lynn McKenna seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Public Comment: None

## 4. New Business

### 4.I. Preservation Booth At Smeltermen's Day (5.1.10)

- Ad
  - Days/hours

- Oral history wording
- Tasks
- Space (reserved by Rose)
- Materials needed
  - Cookies (Bob, Rose, and Mary Lynn), water (Gayla)
  - Table for registration (Rose)
  - Handouts – Astle article and card with cemetery link
  - Information for cemeteries
    - Kiosk
    - Card with link
- Volunteers

Ad: Rose noted the second day was requested by Margie Smith for help with registration for an oral history project. Bob asked if someone from that group would be there for registration and if not suggested removing it from the ad; group would then only display photos on Saturday. Mary Lynn was ok with the hours.

Group discussed how whether to have a computer available or to provide the link to the cemetery map. Mary Lynn suggested changing ad to read “Link to find a family grave will be provided.” Rose suggested using a heavier stock paper for printing and Bob requested a draft be sent to the group. Mary Lynn moved to approve ad with updates. Lynette Foulger seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Tasks: Bob asked about Friday setup. Rose reminded the group that last year setup occurred during the meeting. Members voiced availability to meet Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup> at 10AM.

Materials: Mary Lynn offered to bring folding chairs.

Volunteers: Bob, Lynette, and Mary Lynn volunteered for Saturday. Terry was available either day. Bob suggested 2-hour shifts if the schedule becomes Saturday only.

Public comment : None.

Documents: [HISTORICRESOURCES-SMELTERMENS2023.PDF](#)

#### 4.II. Self-guided tours of upper hill cemetery

This was discussed as part of 3.III.

#### 4.III July meeting

Rose Nyman moved to not hold a Historic Resources Board meeting in July 2023. Mary Lynn McKenna seconded. Motion carried 5-0

Public comment: None.

5. Miscellaneous/Announcements

a. Board – None.

Gayla shared that she's working with the Garden Club for landscaping at 1612 Smelter Rd, that Copper Village is working with Brenda Wahler (a Marcus Daly biographer) for an Anaconda event and asked the group if they are familiar with Alice Burke and Nell Richardson's coast to coast trip as follow-up to a website inquiry. Rose said she might have seen information and would look.

b. Public- None.

6. Public Comment- This is the time for the public to comment on items NOT appearing on the agenda that fall within the board's jurisdiction.

None.

7. Next Meeting: August 4, 2023, at 10AM in the Kennedy Common Multipurpose Building

Note: Anaconda's Past, a community speaker series event, will be held next Thursday at Noon at The Montana

8. Adjournment (11:29am)