

**Great Falls/Cascade County  
Historic Preservation Advisory Commission**

**MINUTES from the  
March 13, 2013 meeting**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sandi French, Ken Sievert, Carol Bronson, Carole Ann Clark, Carol Bradley, Kelly Parks, Ken Robison, Ryan Forde, ex-officio members Kristi Scott and Joan Redeen

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Bob Milford

**STAFF PRESENT:** Ellen Sievert

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Cascade County Commissioner Jane Weber; Vista employee Bethany Salmon.

HPAC Vice Chair Ryan Forde called the meeting to order at 12 noon. Carol Bronson moved to approve minutes from the February 13, 2013 meeting, Ken Robison seconded the motion and the minutes were approved unanimously.

**HPO REPORT:** Ellen continued to meet with Deputy Planning Director Wendy Thomas to discuss her retirement, scheduled for June 30. In other developments, city planners discovered in the basement of the Civic Center a cache of original blueprints for the Rocky Mountain Building, the Baum-Trinastich building and a number of other historic downtown structures. Ellen purchased a large flash drive on which to store the blueprints. She continued to work with the Downtown Chicks on research for the Brothel Tour April 19 and 20.

**CRAFTSMAN BUNGALOWS:** Craftsman bungalows committee chair Carol Bradley said she would fill out the application for a Preserve Montana Fund grant, which is due March 27. HPAC will request \$5,000, the maximum amount made available. Money from the commission's Christmas ornament fund would be used to match the grant amount. Commissioners were enthused at the prospect of receiving funding that could help make a bungalow district a reality.

**HISTORIC TROLLEY:** The city attorney is continuing to review the appropriateness of having HPAC invest \$3,000 in the purchase of the Historic Trolley from Carol Place. HPAC would be one of a number of civic groups chipping in to buy the trolley.

**NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATION FOR OLD HIGHWAY 91:** Ellen urged commissioners to post online comments supporting the nomination of the old highway between Great Falls and Helena to the National Register. The State Review Board will meet May 11 to discuss the nomination.

**PRESERVATION AWARDS RECEPTION:** HPAC's annual Preservation Awards reception will be held May 23 in the Missouri Room of the Civic Center. Commissioners were asked to to nominate candidates for awards. The deadline for submitting nominations is April 25.

HPAC's next regular meeting is at noon April 10 in the Rainbow Room at the Civic Center.

Respectfully submitted by  
Carol Bradley  
HPAC secretary

