

**MINUTES**  
**MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
**68th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**  
**COMMITTEE ON (H) JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON LONG RANGE**  
**PLANNING**

**Call to Order:** Chair Rep. Mike Hopkins-R, on January 11, 2023 at 8:00 AM, in 317 B

**ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Rep. Mike Hopkins, Chair (R)  
Sen. Mike Cuffe, Vice Chair (R)  
Sen. Ellie Boldman (D)  
Rep. John Fitzpatrick (R)  
Rep. Paul Tuss (D)

**Members Excused:** Sen. Mike Lang (R)  
Rep. Matt Regier (R)

**Staff Present:** Katy Callon, Legislative Fiscal Analyst  
Sara Fleming, Secretary

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

**Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted:

HB 12 01/11/2023

Executive Action:

08:01:37

**HEARING ON HB 12 - Montana historic preservation grants**

**Opening Statement:**

08:01:51 Rep. Mike Hopkins (R), HD 92, opened the hearing on HB 12, Montana historic preservation grants.

**Questions from Committee:**

08:02:00 Renee Lemon, Division Administrator, Department of Commerce (DOC)

08:04:05 Elijah Allen, Montana Heritage Commission

08:05:20 Sarah Justice, Executive Director, Paris Gibson Museum of Art

08:12:13 Sen. Mike Lang joined the meeting.

08:12:17 Sen. Mike Lang

08:12:28 Sarah Justice, Executive Director, Paris Gibson Museum of Art

08:13:49 Renee Lemon, Division Administrator, DOC

08:17:01 Tyrel Hamilton, Commissioner, Stillwater County

08:21:34 Sen. Ellie Boldman

08:24:18 Jason McGimesey, Project Manager, A&E Design

08:26:04 Sen. Mike Cuffe left the meeting.

08:26:14 Stephanie Ray, Economics Development Director, Stillwater County

08:28:18 Sen. Ellie Boldman

08:31:51 Rep. Mike Hopkins

08:32:02 Nicole Schreiner, Manager, Babcock Theater

08:36:41 Sen. Ellie Boldman left the meeting.

08:38:15 Rep. Mike Hopkins

08:38:42 Renee Lemon, Division Administrator, DOC

08:39:39 Susanne Wigginton, Chairperson, Lewistown Business Improvement District

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08:47:18 Rep. John Fitzpatrick

08:49:33 Makenzie Espeland, Program Specialist, Montana Department of Commerce (DOC)

08:50:16 Aly Turner, Executive Director, Moss Mansion

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08:54:00 Mike Nelson, Chairperson, Billings Preservation Society

08:56:06 Mackenzie Espeland, Program Specialist II, DOC

08:56:27 Heather McMilin, Project Developer and Coordinator, Homeward

09:01:32 Rep. John Fitzpatrick

09:04:59 Mackenzie Espeland, Program Specialist II, DOC

09:05:25 Sen. Mike Cuffe joined the meeting.

09:05:44 Heather McMilin, Project Developer and Coordinator, Homeward

09:07:12 Rep. Mike Hopkins left the meeting.

09:07:29 Rep. John Fitzpatrick left the meeting.

09:08:53 Sen. Mike Cuffe

09:08:58 Karissa Trujillo, Homeward

09:10:40 Mackenzie Espeland, Program Specialist II, DOC

09:11:52 Sharon Moore, Miles City Convent Keeps Community Center

09:18:08 Sen. Ellie Boldman joined the meeting.

09:18:14 Mackenzie Espeland, Program Specialist II, DOC

09:19:06 Heather McMilin, Project Developer and Coordinator, Homeward  
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09:20:40 Rep. Paul Tuss left the meeting.

09:21:42 Mackenzie Espeland, Program Specialist II, DOC

09:23:32 Recessed

09:35:49 Reconvened

09:37:17 Ellen Sievert, Consultant, Sievert Cultural Resource Consultants  
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[EXHIBIT\(230111JLHa7\)](#)

09:41:57 Sen. Mike Lang joined the meeting.

09:45:31 Sen. Ellie Boldman

09:49:01 Mackenzie Espeland, Program Specialist II, DOC

09:49:55 Mary Beth Roy, Owner, Fountain Terrace Condominiums

09:52:29 Suzie Tuss, Self, Fountain Terrace Condominiums

09:54:38 Mackenzie Espeland, Program Specialist II, DOC

09:56:16 Rep. Frazier, HB 78

09:57:24 Jordan Green, Chief Administrative Officer, Deer Lodge

10:00:54 Rep. Paul Tuss

10:02:10 Mackenzie Espeland, Program Specialist II, DOC  
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10:05:22 Gil Mangels, Founder and CEO, Miracle of American Museum

10:13:13 Mackenzie Espeland, Program Specialist II, DOC

**Questions from Committee:**

10:14:45

10:15:03 Kelly Lynch, Executive Director, Montana League of Cities and Towns

10:15:45 Ben Tuss, Self, Fountain Terrace Condominiums

10:18:59 Chere Jiusto, Executive Director, Preserve Montana

10:21:13 Sen. Mike Cuffe left the meeting.

10:25:18 Sen. Ellie Boldman

10:26:04 Mackenzie Espeland, Program Specialist II, DOC

10:26:35 Katy Callon

10:28:36 Rep. Mike Hopkins

10:28:50 Sen. Mike Lang joined the meeting.

10:30:27 Rep. Mike Hopkins

10:31:46 Mackenzie Espeland, Program Specialist II, DOC

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**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 10:33:08

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Sara Fleming, Secretary

Additional Documents: [EXHIBIT\(230111JLHaad\)](#)