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Diversified Contractors Inc. construction crew performed the roofing work. From left to right: Paul Heaton, Henry Hodny, Juan Rocha, Mike Kalbrener, Mark Hart, and Pat Marinac.

Yahoo! On to Phase Two

After completing the first phase of the remodeling efforts, phase two is already underway.

Buxton in Bloom, a North Dakota non-profit organization, has completed the first phase of its renovation of the granite bank structure on the main street of Buxton, North Dakota.

The structure, originally built in the 1890's, has been stripped down to the bare walls with no floor in order to salvage the bank's interior, remove the asbestos and mold from the building, and allow room to replace structural elements of the roof and floor.

Demolition and abatement was completed by Intermountain Technical Services, Mayville and J&N Enterprises, Grand Forks.

The wood and glass teller line has been removed and is being stored until it can be refurbished to

its original condition.

"We needed to strip the interior to make sure that all the cool historical furnishings and moldings didn't deteriorate any further," Bobbi Hepper Olson said.

Ms. Olson is the chair of Buxton in Bloom and also the project manager.

"The building wasn't weather tight and any more time that elapsed would have further damaged the antique wood doors and furnishings. We just couldn't leave that stuff in there," she said.

The budget for the first of four phases was \$40,000 out of a total estimated project cost of \$200,000.

According to Olson, phase one came in slightly under budget and was completed by the end of August

2005.

"I really have to thank the people who donated funds to the project, because without them we (Buxton in Bloom) wouldn't have matching funds for the grants that we received from local, state, and federal sources," she added.

Granting agencies require a local funding match to ensure local commitment to the project. No funding requests are considered without them.

Granting agencies were: Lake Agassiz RC&D, \$4,000; Traill County Historical Society, \$1,500; with funds from City of Buxton, \$1,000; Traill County EDC, \$1,500; Buxton Improvement Assoc., \$1,600; and donations as listed on Page 3.



Pictured from left to right: Christine Johnson of Hepper Olson Architects, Grand Forks, ND; Kyle Olson, Buxton; and Greg West of Hepper Olson Architects, Grand Forks, ND. These volunteers helped move salvaged items from the bank's interior.

Where the Project Is

The rehabilitation of the granite bank building in Buxton was separated into four separate phases.

Phase one is complete and phase two is well underway with the completion of the roofing rehab. When phase two is complete the building will be completely weather tight.

Phase three will include an addition to the back of the building that will house the toilet facilities and a community meeting room. Also within this phase a new floor will be put back in and all the electrical, heating and partition walls will be done.

Phase four will finish the project by re-installing the refurbished historic fixtures and moldings.

The total budget for the project was \$200,000. Construction costs to date have been approximately \$60,000.

"We have been pretty successful with our grant applications and individual donors have stepped up when we've needed them to. We are at a point where our focus needs to be on raising more funds and getting more people interested and involved."

Shouting from the rooftop without falling through it

No more water will be seeping into the Historic Buxton Bank building now that the roofing phase of the renovation has been completed.

Hepper Olson said that once the ceiling tiles were removed during phase one they (Buxton in Bloom) knew that more than a new skin had to be added to the roof. A structural engineer was called in to ensure that nothing had to be done to reinforce the building because of the poor condition of the ceiling joists.

Bob Dura (the engineer, Solien & Larson Engineering) didn't see any problems that needed to be addressed immediately, so we progressed only after the money was in place.

New roof structure construction work was done by Diversified Contractors of Fargo and the roof insulation and membrane was installed by Skinner Roofing of Grand Forks.

This phase isn't all complete. Additional repair to the mortar and capping the exterior masonry wall needs to be done during this phase.

Grant funds for roofing project: State of ND Historical Society — Cultural Heritage Grant \$5,000 (\$5,000 local match); National Trust for Historic Preservation — Hughes Preservation Fund \$1,500 (\$1,500 local match); Traill County Historical Society \$1,500 (\$300 local match); and donations as listed on Page 3.



Pictured from left to right: Paul Johnson of Intermountain Technical Services, Mayville, ND; Miguel Garcia and Nathan Wretling of J&N Enterprises, Grand Forks, ND. This photo was taken during interior abatement and salvage of interior bank items.

So, What's Next at Buxton in Bloom?

A new roof for the granite stone building on main street in Buxton was not the end of phase two of the rehabilitation and reutilization planned for the 1890s bank.

The next step, according to Hepper Olson, is to finish the mortar repair. Over time the exposure to the heat, cold, and moisture of North Dakota have cracked some of the mortar that holds the granite together.

The process is called tuck-pointing whereby the existing mortar is ground out and replaced with new material. The new mortar adheres to the stone and bonds the stones together.

"It's what holds the building together, so it's important to fix. We (Buxton in Bloom) had to do some of this type of work in order to make the building water tight, so we ended up spending a bit more on the roof than expected. But we would have had to do it anyway as part of the tuck-pointing," she said.

The remaining part of phase two is also in the works. The stain glass window that sat above the entrance door was removed during phase one and is being rebuilt.

Also, the original style of window in the front and on the sides of the building will be

installed. At one point, some of the windows were replaced with glass block, but Hepper Olson says that the original windows were rectangular panes with rounded tops.

Buxton in Bloom has already received grant funds to complete this phase of the project, but more fundraising is necessary.

"We (Buxton in Bloom) have received \$10,000 from the State Historical Society which needs the local match now. Private donations have come through for the project in the past, and I'm hoping people have maintained their excitement in seeing the project to completion," Hepper Olson said.

Updated Schedule & Budget

Phase One.....\$40,000

- Dismantle and salvage interior bank teller line.
- Removal of stain glass window for repair.
- Salvage interior trimwork and metal ceiling
- Asbestos and Mold Abatement.
- Selective demolition on interior.

**COMPLETED
DEC. 2005**

Phase Two.....\$45,000

- Re-roofing and rehab existing wood roof joists.
- Exterior masonry repair and tuckpointing.
- Stain glass window/protective outer pane.
- New entrance door.
- Sitework.
- New round top front windows and side windows.

Scheduled
for completion
AUG. 2007

Phase Three.....\$80,000

- 12 foot by 26 foot addition on back of building.
- New floor structure.
- Interior partition walls.
- Plumbing systems.
- Electrical systems.
- Heating and Cooling systems.

Scheduled
for completion
AUG. 2008

Phase Four.....\$45,000

- New hardwood flooring.
- Wood trim with historical profile to match existing.
- Installation of salvaged & refurbished wood trim.
- Interior door frames, doors, and hardware.
- Painting walls and ceilings.
- Light fixtures.
- Refurbishing of bank teller and interior bank furniture.

Scheduled
for completion
AUG. 2009

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