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Subject:

47 Forest Retaining Wall

As anyone can see the retaining wall is failing and has been since it was erected. This was Marvin Lehman's last wall and Kevin Kuchenbecker's first. Rocks continue to fall from the wall onto the street and next to the steps. No cement was used and no cap was added to keep the wall in place.

The cement (maybe rock Crete) has failed behind the house and at the basin constructed to catch water from the Centennial Street above. There are visible cracks that need attention. Mr. Burleson said the City needs to repair these cracks when the City crew was cleaning the catch basin. This cement above the house was also supposed to be dyed brown like dirt (like next to Mr. Wu's) but this never happened.

The contractor dismantled the "shed" roof behind the house and never added one to catch snow and ice to keep the wall in place and the house protected. I paid a contractor to add a shed roof.

Also, on 45 Forest which was part of this project rocks have fallen and continue to erode towards the house at 47 Forest and the catch basin.

A lot of money was paid for this project and the contractors were never held to the historical preservation standard. Other walls on Forest Avenue before and after 45 & 47 Forest are holding up well and look more like works of art. The public works director at the time of the project did not care to correct any of the work. He basically controlled the process as Kevin Kuckenbecker was new to Deadwood.

Thanks for you attention to this ongoing issue.

Sincerely, Lee C. Thompson Citizen of Deadwood







