

Northside/Westside Neighborhood Leadership Team Minutes

April 18, 2022

5:30 PM

Virtual Zoom

Members present: Gretchen Hooker, Kari Neal, Cortney Perreten, Tom France and a neighbor John Ryan, Kalina Wickham and Kelly Elam, Missoula Neighborhoods.

Minutes for April 7, 2021 are not available.

1. West Broadway Master Plan Implementation and the Sleepy Inn Site

Discussion included inviting staff from MRA to come to next meeting for update. See what the process for selling Sleepy Inn.

2. Scott St. Bridge

Discussion on removing the railing. NSWWS Crew should be informed about this. Kalina is going to reach out to Eric Dickson to see if he can attend a Leadership team meeting with CREW, and City Council to discuss the railing issue.

3. Flynn Lowney Irrigation Ditch

There was discussion about who manages the ditch and cleans it up. Where does CFC end and the city start? Maybe public works would know Jeremy Keene, Public Works Director Email: KeeneJ@ci.missoula.mt.us // Phone: 406-552-6769.

4. Possible General Meeting

The team decided to get the Leadership Team up and running before having a General meeting. A possible meeting would be in the summer to give some time and to get more engagement and hold elections.

The team agreed to meet every 3rd Monday of the month until after the general meeting on July 18, at 5:30 pm. Then hold leadership team meetings every other month.

5. Neighborhood Funds:

- a. Northside-\$1500
- b. Westside-\$2050

The funds need to be spent by June 30. The team asked how much the mailers typically cost to budget for mailings. Kelly will provide the information, so we know how much to budget. It would be nice to know how many residents there are. Then we can get gift cards for food for next general meeting. If there are extra funds, they could possibly help with the potential grant if that comes through.

6. Neighborhood cleanup on April 30

Heidi West and Jennifer Savage are doing cleanup for the Northside. The westside was left out last time so just want to make sure they are included, but no captain. Possible connect with Heart of Missoula cleanup in September.

7. Community Forum report - None.

Kalina said CF has been meeting. So someone from NS/WS could attend. The City Council rep is at that meeting and always gives an update. Good way to share info from different neighborhoods. There is a rep from each Leadership team. Next agenda we could set up some roles. Co-chairs, secretary, community forum rep, etc. See if previous members are still interested in being on the leadership team. Gretchen is going to reach out to them.

8. Missoula Neighborhoods Report

Kalina gave a brief update on the Neighborhood Improvement Grant process.

Agenda Items for next meeting on May 16:

- Have Eric Dickson come to talk about Scott Street Bridge Railing
- MRA- West Broadway Implementation
- Update on Pedestrian Bridge/pocket park
- Plan for general meeting on July 18. How much money we need for mailings. Purchase gift cards for food before June 30 deadline
- Assign roles for Leadership team - Chairs, secretary, community forum rep., etc.