

**Grant Creek Neighborhood Council Leadership Team
11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. February 10, 2017
Montana Club North Reserve**

Attending: Kim Birck, Ron Larsen, Bert Lindler, Dennis Muth, Tony Marino, Lee Clemmensen, Ruth Swaney, Jane Kelly, Karen Gasvoda

Meeting minutes from the October 20, 2016 LT meeting and the December 1, 2016 general meeting were approved.

Ruth Swaney discussed her background in education and her interest in learning more about our neighborhood as she serves Ward 2 as a newly appointed member of city council.

Kim Birck moved that the Grant Creek Neighborhood Council again support the nomination of Karen Sippy for the Outstanding Neighborhood Volunteer of the Year. Ron Larsen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Bert Lindler expressed his satisfaction at seeing surveyors working at the I-90/Grant Creek interchange recently. The survey is to help plan for adding an additional southbound lane or lanes leaving Grant Creek, a project that has been sought by Grant Creek residents for the past decade. The Montana Department of Transportation and the city of Missoula are cooperating in this project.

Lee Clemmensen explained that residents in Grant Creek Hills have their own water system that neighborhood's residents pay for. Those residents do not have any interest in becoming part of the city's water system, she said.

Bert Lindler thanked the Community Forum for its support of a \$3,000 neighborhood project grant for installation of a bench, a bear-resistant trash bin, and a mutt-mitt station for the newly constructed portion of the Grant Creek Trail between the city-county line and Mellot Lane.

Lee Clemmensen suggested that the fire in Grant Creek last summer raised questions about possible evacuations of the drainage during a fire emergency and steps that homeowners should take to increase the chance their home will survive if a fire passes through the drainage.

Dennis Muth said that the background noise at the Montana Club made it difficult for everyone to hear what was being said. He suggested that future meetings should be somewhere quieter and suggested that the meeting room at Stone of Accord might be suitable.

Public comment on non-agenda items – none

The meeting adjourned at 12:20 p.m.