

Rose Park Neighborhood Leadership Team Meeting Minutes

November 8, 2023, 5:30 PM, Hal Fraser Conference Room, 140 W. Pine St.

1. Introductions and Roll Call
 - a. The meeting was called to order at 5:32 pm
 - b. Present were Melissa Glueckert, Eric Claxton, Rachel Calderon-Navarro, Gary Smith, Audrey Hayes, Sean Hayes, Tony Rollin.
2. Minutes from October 18, 2023 RPLT meeting were approved.
3. The RLT and several other volunteers met at the Slant Street Gateway on Sunday, November 5. Very good progress was made in cleaning up walkways and raking leaves.
 - a. Melissa agreed to inquire about the city's ability to pick up piles of branches at the east end of Franklin Street.
 - b. Sandwiches were purchased for participants. Tony will get receipt for sandwiches to Melissa for reimbursement as the RPLT had previously agreed to provide such sandwiches.
4. Neighborhood Grants
 - a. Tony reported that Missoula Rose Society has yet to respond to request for participation in this year's Grant process. The concept was dropped for this grant cycle.
 - b. The "Teaching/learning permaculture Free Food Garden" concept was unanimously agreed upon as the concept to progress. Rachel will continue to lead the initiative.
 - i. Tony agreed to fill out some background information on the Grant application. This was completed and sent to the rest of the RPLT by email on November 13.
 - ii. Rachel agreed to reach out to Garden City Harvest for someone to teach classes.
 - iii. It was agreed to try and identify a plot for demonstration of concepts. Action for Rachel to cost out such a plot.
 - iv. Tony learned about an Extension Service initiative at their new facilities at the Fairgrounds concerning gardening and will get more information on what the Extension Service initiative is all about. Extension Service personnel are also viable teachers for this concept.
5. Tree Brochure Concept
 - a. It was agreed to invite the urban forester to the January RPLT meeting – action for Melissa
 - b. It was also agreed that safety aspects of trimming trees away from power lines should be included.
6. Budget remaining for Rose Park is ~\$700.

- a. These funds need to be spent by June 30, 2024.
- 7. Leadership Team Position selection – it was agreed to have this selection at the January, 2024 meeting.
- 8. Community Forum Report
 - a. Rachel reported that Geoff Badenoch, who represented the League of Women Voters, gave an interesting presentation on the City Charter evaluation. Citizens can vote to make changes to the governing structure for Missoula through this process. She recommended that everyone look at Geoff's presentation. Melissa agreed to provide a link thereto.
 - b. The next Community Forum will be held on December 6.
- 9. Office of Missoula Neighborhoods report
 - a. Melissa said that the Neighborhood Leadership Training was very well received and that there was going to be follow-up training in the spring, 2024.
- 10. No Public comments
- 11. Announcements
 - a. Tony brought up that he was in contact with the University Neighborhood Leadership Council and that one of their members had good ideas for advancement of the University Neighborhood. He will share such ideas as they come available.
 - b. Gary mentioned that RPLT should consider use of organizations such as Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and other youth organizations who do community service to assist with distribution of door hangers in advance of the next Rose Park General Meeting. Another concept, that of supporting other neighborhoods in exchange for their help was also proposed.
- 12. Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Rollin

November 13, 2023