

Franklin to the Fort Neighborhood Council Leadership Team Meeting Minutes

Date: October 23, 2017

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Rosauers
2350 S. Reserve St.
Missoula, MT 59801

Leadership Team Attendees: *Brad May, Chris Chitty, Connie Lewis*

Others Present:

Jane Kelly - Office of Neighborhoods;

Nathan McLeod - neighborhood resident

Due to lack of quorum, this meeting is administrative only.

- 1) Approval of June 20, 2017, July 18, 2017 and October 5, 2017 meeting minutes. Tabled.
- 2) Franklin Park Irrigation Ditch grant application. Nathan McLeod has submitted a proposal for a project to stabilize an eroding bank on the ditch, next to the path. The ditch is heavily used by dog walkers to allow their pets to drink and swim on hot summer days. The request is for \$2329 for materials. Equipment rental would be an in-kind donation from Caras Nursery. Labor would be by volunteers, directed by Mr. McLeod. After questioning and discussion, the two LT members present at the time determined that the project would be a worthwhile enhancement to the city park, and voted their approval.
- 3) Franklin School K-1 Playground grant application. Chris Chitty explained the grant request, which has been submitted by the Franklin School PTA. Although there is a well-developed playground for grades 2-5, the K-1 playground consists only of a single swing set. The project coordinators have worked closely with the building staff and the Missoula County Public Schools administration. The planners are also emulating elements of the City's Master Parks and Recreation Plan. The playground will be available for community use outside of school hours. The planners are soliciting donations from several organizations in the city, and are requesting \$3,000 from Neighborhood Project Funds. It was determined by those present that the project would be of benefit to the children in the school and the neighborhood at large, and voted their approval.
- 4) Review Leadership Team duties. Brad continues as treasurer, Brandi Whitney will be secretary, Matt Loomis continues as co-chair, and Chris agreed to be the other co-chair.

- 5) Proposal for Rosauers fuel sales. The Leadership Team has no opinion on this subject.
- 6) Urban Re-forestation Project. Brad has been working with the city forester to develop a “palette” of 25-30 approved trees for the F2F neighborhood. The forester would like for this information to be publicly presented. The F2F general meeting, probably in January, would be a good time to do this.
- 7) Montana Rail Link Park. Brad, Andrea Dahl, and Patricia Hogan have been working on the park committee. Parks Director Donna Gaukler is planning to have a public open house to present the draft master plan on Thursday, Nov. 16, 2017. Location to be determined.
- 8) Office of Neighborhoods report. The office will be busy processing grant applications. Community Forum will be the third Thursday of November and December. Volunteer of the year award nominations will be accepted in February.
- 9) Community Forum report. Jane reported that CF heard three presentations or items of note: suicide prevention, two urban development planners have been hired, and the Senior Center is not planning to sell their building and relocate.
- 10) New business. We need to start planning for a January general meeting. Jane will use online Doodle survey to get suitable dates from LT members. Brad will arrange for Franklin School. We started filling out the planning worksheet, which will be distributed to LT members as it progresses.
- 11) Public comment on non-agenda items. None
- 12) Announcements. None.

Adjourned at 7:05 PM

Minutes submitted by Brad May.