

Lewis and Clark Neighborhood Council Leadership Team Minutes

Date: October 2, 2019

Time: 4:00 pm

Location: Lewis and Clark Village Community Room 3000 S Higgins Ave. Missoula, MT 59802

Present: Terry Conner, Colleen Biehl, Dave Westfall, Susan Schott, Nort Petrovich, resident. Paul Kilzer and Jeff Stevens, South 39th Street Neighborhood Council, Karen Gasvoda, Office of the Neighborhoods

1. Welcome to Paul Kilzer and Jeff Stevens from South 39th Street Neighborhood Leadership Team, new leadership member and Nort Petrovich, interested resident and Susan's husband
2. The August 7, 2019 leadership team meeting and September 4, 2019 general meeting minutes were approved as posted.
3. Paul Kilzer, MCG & S39 leadership team, presented a proposal for a possible NPF large grant for the study on the urban deer in Missoula. He stated that many Missoulians are tired of cleaning up after the deer and having their gardens and landscaping decimated. Discussion was held about having a study done perhaps using the UM to do the research. Many studies have been done on urban deer in Montana, with Helena actively working in the problem. All of Missoula has the deer problem. The Leadership Team felt this would be duplicating projects already done and that pressure on the city council would be a better way. Dave moved not to support the proposal and Colleen seconded, all were in favor. A letter will be sent to Paul with the decision.

-Jeff Stevens presented his Large Grant proposal to transform the Utility Box at Playfair Park with taking the traffic signal box art of boxes that have been removed from Missoula and display them on the utility box near the corner of Pattee Creek Drive and Bancroft Street. He estimates that it will take \$2000 to do a wrap with 3 or 4 images on the box. Colleen moved and Terry seconded for support of the Utility Box Artwork with 3 members supporting the proposal and 1 member abstained. A letter of support will be sent to Jeff.
4. Neighborhood Traffic Safety Updates – Colleen shared that Jeff Lamson had sent her information about when he met with Rose Park Neighborhood which was unresolved. Mike Painter from the Rose Park Neighborhood Leadership Team had reached out to Terry Conner concerning the traffic issues. She will follow up with him.
5. Updates on Bancroft Ponds pending projects: Birding Area - Dave Westfall reported that some trees, shrubs and small plants were planted on Sept. 19. Also, a fence with 2 gates was constructed for temporary use to help plants become established. More planting needs to be done, date and time TBA. The stone for the benches along the trail have been ordered and the leftover money will be used to repair and extend the trails to the birding area.
7. Priorities from the neighbors
 1. Painted Sidewalk
 2. Duck Pond Maintenance including mowing
 3. Speeding
 4. Duck Pond Patrol (drinking and other behavior)
 5. Urban Deer
 6. Dogs off Leash
 7. Need for Traffic Calming Circles
 8. Sidewalks not being shoveled
8. Terry asked for a vote of support for the Large Grant request of \$6000 for the outdoor classroom. The classroom will be of large stone benches with native trees and plants. Dave made the motion and Colleen seconded. All were in favor.
9. Community Forum Report- No report given
10. Office of the Neighborhoods report – No report given
11. No public comments

12. Announcements- Kathleen Hanson Would like the meeting to be changed to after 5pm, so she can continue to come. Karen will do a google calendar for the team to see what time is best for all.

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