

## **Missoula University Neighborhood Council Leadership Team Meeting**

**Location: Home of Bill Miller, 1401 Gerald Ave.**

**Meeting Time: 7PM,11,June, 2012**

**Attending:** Dave Chrismon, Joel Fleischer, Bill Miller, Tom Roy and Missoula Neighborhood Liaison, Jane Kelly.

**Absent:** Miriam Richmond

**Minutes:** Tom Roy moved, Bill Miller seconded approval of the 8, April, 2012 minutes. Motion passed.

**Report from Community Forum:** Dave Chrismon reported that the Community Forum at its most recent meeting had:

- announced a computer training available free of charge to neighborhood council members
- approved several grant requests

**Review of By-Laws:** The leadership team went through the proposed changes to the University Neighborhood Council by-laws that had been submitted by leadership team members sentence by sentence. Dave will retype our recommended amended by-laws and circulate them to leadership team members and to the city attorney. Assuming that the amendments are "a ok" we shall formally adopt them at our next leadership team meeting and present them as a seconded recommendation for approval at the fall neighborhood council meeting. –Dave Chrismon will be typing up the By-laws

**Next Neighborhood Council Meeting:** The next meeting of the Neighborhood Council will be Tuesday, 18, September, 2012. Dave will try to schedule the meeting for Paxson School.

**Budget:** We have a balance of \$796 in our General Budget. The fiscal year ends 30, June, 2012. Since we had not had time to discuss how to responsibly spend the money, Bill moved and Dave seconded that we not expend the monies and allow them to revert. Motion carried. We have a balance of \$682.45 in our mailing budget with the fiscal year again ending 30, June, 2012. Tom moved and Bill seconded that we direct Jane to see if our mailing fund balance could be prepaid to Town Mailer for mailings that would occur in the next fiscal year. Motion carried.

**Public Comment:** Bill asked what the relationship should be between the University Homeowners Association (UHA) and the Neighborhood Council. While no vote was taken, the consensus was that members of UHA had a right as residents of the neighborhood to participate in all University Neighborhood Council meetings but that UHA, as an association, had no special standing. There was discussion about how the neighborhood council could be relevant if it is primarily a forum while there are contentious issues about the proposed Additional Dwelling Units and the location of the College of Technology on the university golf course engulfing the neighborhood. Again while no vote was taken, the consensus was that the neighborhood council is not to address issues directly but to serve as forum or vehicle for broadly participatory discussions around critical issues. Beyond serving as a forum the neighborhood council has a critical role to play in advancing neighborhood improvements both among residents and through the city council.

Next Meeting of the Leadership Team: The next meeting of the Leadership Team is Wednesday, 15, August, 2012 at Christ the King on Gerald Ave.

Submitted by: Tom Roy, secretary