

Lewis and Clark Neighborhood Council Leadership Team Meeting Minutes

Date: October 3, 2018

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, Jeff Lamson, Kathleen Hanson, Jeff Miller, Jane Kelly, Neighborhood Coordinator

1. The September 5, 2018 leadership team were approved. The September 19, 2018 General Meeting minutes will be on the Nov. 7 agenda for approval.

2. The leadership team duties will remain the same Co-chairs: Dave Westfall and Terry Conner; Secretary: Colleen Biehl, Kathleen Hanson available when needed; Treasurer: Jerry Dirnberger; at Large: Jeff Lamson and Andy Coe, Kathleen Hanson.

3. Large Grant Application – After discussion on the Large Grant Application Titled Bancroft Ponds Park – ADA Trails, Dave Westfall moved to proceed with the Large Grant application with the support of the Leadership Team for the Bancroft Ponds Park – ADA Trails. Colleen seconded. All were in favor.

4. Review general meeting – The Meeting was well attended with 41 adults present. Morgan Valliant's presentation on the Bancroft Pond projects was well received. Traffic Calming is still a big item, several people talked about different traffic problems in the neighborhood. Chad Bauer from Republic Services gave a presentation on Recycling

After discussion of the cool evening and sunlight fading fast, it was decided to have the Fall General Meeting, on Wednesday, September 4, 2019 at 6pm at Playfair Park Shelter.

5. Neighborhood priorities – These were not discussed due to lateness of meeting. The priorities from last year will remain current.

6. Recycling- Dave will check out other alternatives for recycling besides Republic Service's pick up. They say only 22-23% of Missoula are recycling. Many people share the containers and there other means to recycle, so the percentage maybe higher.

7. Traffic calming – Jeff Miller reported that there is so much information that he has downloaded from the City's site and the information received from the Bicycle and Pedestrian Office is overwhelming. A discussion was held that a committee should be formed as traffic safety is very important to the neighborhood. Dave moved that a committee be formed for the Lewis and Clark Neighborhood Committee on Traffic Safety. Jeff Miller, Jeff Lamson and Terry Conner will be on the committee. They will determine meeting date and time. Ben Weiss from the Bicycle and Pedestrian Office is to be invited to the Nov. 7 Leadership Team Meeting.

8. Bancroft Ponds update - Colleen reported that Morgan Valliant has sent the cost for the work to improve the trails, fix the 2 bridges, work on the entrance on Stephens Ave. for the large grant. Title is Bancroft Ponds Park- ADA Trails. John Conner is writing the grant and Colleen is giving him assistance. There are several individual letters of support and a pages of those who support this from around the neighborhood. Other items on the Pond committee agenda are: the 5 Valley Audubon Chapter's Society's birding area offer, the Kiosk and the outdoor classroom.

9. Sentinel High School parking issues – As John DiBari stated in the October 3 meeting, the school is trying to remedy the problem on the parking. After discussion concerning the parking issues, it was decided that the Sentinel High School Parking issues would be placed in the Committee on Traffic Safety.

10. The Community Forum was attended by Terry Conner on Sept. 20. All the neighborhoods are busy with general meeting this Fall. There were two presentations: 1. The annexing of the airport and surrounding areas. 2. UFDA gave a

planning and development of Missoula over the last decade. Check both the airport project and UFDA online. October 15 is the date for City Council to vote on concealed weapons at voting places.

11. Office of Neighborhoods Report was not given—Jane Kelly had to leave for another neighborhood meeting.

12. Public comment on non-agenda items – Jeff Miller suggested to use random canvassing for neighborhood petitions of each area instead of house to house.

13. No Announcements

What is important to Lewis & Clark Neighbors?

- o Lack of painted crosswalks
- o Duck Pond maintenance including mowing
- o Speeding o Duck Pond patrol (drinking and other behaviors)
- o Urban Deer o Dogs off leash o Need for traffic calming circles o Sidewalks not being shoveled

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