

River Road Neighborhood Council Leadership Team Meeting Minutes

Date: March 16, 2016

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Location: The Salvation Army
355 S. Russell Street
Missoula, MT 59802

Leadership Team Members in Attendance: Jesse Neidigh, Melissa Neidigh, Kari Marrero, Patrick Guinard

Others Present: Corena Maurer, Neighborhood Coordinator, Kali Orton, Graduate Student, Lewis Marrero, Katie Mickey, Esme Neidigh

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1. Approval of Minutes – there were no changes to the posted minutes. The minutes were unanimously approved.
 2. Research Methods for Social Change – Garden City Harvest – Facilitating a Focus Group Regarding New Farm Facilities – Kali Orton, University of Montana Graduate Student – Garden City Harvest is looking to build 2 new buildings at the River Road Farm. One building will be the new main office/headquarters of Garden City Harvest and one building will be a barn with a kitchen, event space and storage. Kali is looking to form a focus group to gather public input on the proposed changes. Katie, Melissa and Patrick expressed interest in participating.
 3. Discussion/Review of General Meeting – Jesse did a recap of the general meeting. Placing the food on the side of the room instead of in the back behind the speakers was suggested. Everyone commented favorably on having the meetings at the Salvation Army.
 4. Next Steps on Neighborhood Priorities – the new priorities were discussed and suggestions were made on how to pursue them. Jesse will contact Ben Weiss to attend a leadership team meeting/general meeting to discuss Greenways and Wayfinding. Patrick will look into more information on lighting.
 5. Applying for Reallocated Funds – the leadership team has decided unanimously to have Nick Shontz (LT member) apply for reallocated funds in the amount of the overage that is currently on the account. They will discuss at the next LT meeting if they will be applying for more reallocated funds for a summer meeting, depending on when they decide to hold it.

6. New Business – Jesse gave an update on the last Community Forum Meeting. Corena discussed the upcoming Bus Tour.
7. Public comment on non-agenda items – None.
8. Announcements – The next LT meeting will be April 20th at the Salvation Army at 6:30 pm.

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What is important to the River Road Neighbors?

1. Pedestrian and Bike Connectivity - 26 Votes
2. Wayfinding - 17 Votes
3. Trail Lighting - 14 Votes
4. Neighborhood Watch - 9 Votes
5. Street Lighting – 8 Votes
6. Trees - 6 Votes
7. Bus Stops - 6 Votes
8. Through Street Connectivity - 6 Votes
9. Sidewalks - 5 Votes
10. Connecting with City Council Members - 4 Votes
11. Local Services - 3 Votes
12. Russell Street Progress - 1 Vote