Franklin to Fort Neighborhood Council Leadership Team Meeting November 13, 2018

- 1. Welcome and Introductions Chris Chitty, Andrea Dahl, Connie Lewis, Mark McClements, Cindy Hockelberg,
- 2. Mark moves approval, Andrea seconds and minutes are accepted.
- 3. Behavioral health and housing Rebecca Pettit Director of Development and Community Engagement, Missoula Interfaith Collaboration, Kristine Freeman with Friends (volunteer on MIC, housing committee)- MIC. Have been in Missoula for about 7 years, 32 congregations and non-profits. E.g. Housing advocate, Missoula Works. Institution based organizing. Help them to identify the issues that important to them as an Institution and then collaborate on issues. Right now housing and behavioral health. Bring a proposal forward to determine interest.

Kristine explained about the food bank which operates with amazing volunteers and sensitivity. Kristine sits there to talk about the housing situation, what problems, hurdles etc. She invites them to participate in the housing effort. She has been talking to folks, Chris asked about conclusions about all these conversations on homelessness or lack of housing. Two main issues. Rentals being forced to go to a property manager, hand \$120 for an application fee, four different p roperty managers this is equal to a month's rent. Another issue need for mental health services, depression and no connection to put them in a place to obtain services. Very hard to qualify. Finding housing that has heat, many rentals do not have central heat. How can they rent a place that does not have central heat?

Rebecca - policies and decisions made every day by the city, very inaccessible to many people. MLC ask people what are the pressures that you are feeling and are you interested in getting involved in this. Institutions working on F2F are Friends, Parenting Place, Missoula Housing Authority, and Blessed Trinity. They have a vested interest in this area. Collect these stories and collective interest. February 7th they will be having a meeting with Missoula elected officials. Would like to work through the neighborhood, possibly the annual general meeting. There will be an assembly on December 13th for Behavioral Health as an example of how the program would work. Goal to influence discussions with the City. Looking for the group of citizens who are impacted by the decisions being made. Needs to be a lot of public support for this.

Increase civic engagement.

- 4. Annual General Meeting When will the meeting be = January the 8th at Franklin School (tentatively).
- -Homes People Can Afford Community Discussion
- -Center the Meeting around the Theme of Housing facilitate small group discussions. An hour of discussion.
- -Question and Answers for City Council
- -Update priorities
- -Find themes across neighborhoods where people can come together
- -Post cards.
- -Refreshments Food and Drink Get pizza from the Bridge.
- -Agenda budget sign in sheets.
- Minutes.

- 5. Priorities for neighborhood council poster with all the topics. Jane will email the info to us and we will administratively discuss this.
- 6. MRL Park Dog Park is open, ribbon cutting for the main park in the spring. Waiting for picnic tables, interviewing folks for art projects.
- 7. Design excellence in commercial corridors because there have been no standards for a long time. Changing the zoning on Reserve Street. Solar dehydrator two received grants from the city. Going to put on an eight week local government citizens academy. Tuesdays in different places around the city. Starts on January 15th through March 5th once per week. There is an application process. Will be from 7-9, except last one 6-8.