

University Neighborhood Council Leadership Team

Meeting Minutes

Date: September 4, 2019

Time: 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Location: LEWIS and Clark Villages Community Room, 3000 South Higgins Ave

Present: Rick Caron, Jordan Lyons, Jennifer Copley, Julie Stephenson, Peter

Drakos, Bryce Rowe, Jeff Birkby, Tony LaPlante, Karen Gasvoda

1. Approval June 5, 2019 Leadership Team Council meeting minutes : Unanimously Approved.

2. Treasurer's Report -Peter Drakos : Peter Drakos detailed the the current UNCLT general fund balance.

3. Community Forum Report- Jennifer Copley/Bryce Rowe : Jennifer Copley outlined topics presented at the Community forum meeting that included Neighborhoods, Missoula budget report, sex trafficking concerns in Missoula, and large and small grants.

4. ASUM Report- Jordan Lyons : Jordan introduced ASUM members. He also discussed the idea of having a piano crosswalk painted on Maurice Ave, and stated that it could be very difficult to get accomplished per a discussion he had. He discussed the idea of installing campaign signs to indicate children in the area on Maurice Ave to help slow traffic. The UNCLT group also discussed the option to install a temporary calming circle at Woodworth & Maurice at a cost of \$ 2,500, because there is more and more concern about cars running the stop sign at that intersection. Jordan also mentioned that a \$ 500.00 snow shovel grant was approved. The UNCLT group mentioned the importance of having fraternities, sororities, and athletes getting involved helping University residents shovel during winter season. Jordan also mentioned the new ASUM Blog that is now active.

5. Neighborhood Council Report- Jane Kelly, Karen Gasvoda : Karen Gasvoda mentioned that two calming circles have yet to be adopted. They are located at Daly Ave and Hilda Ave, and at Central Ave and Gerald Ave. Karen also mentioned the upcoming Stories and Stones event on 9/15/19. Karen also mentioned the Candidates Forum at the City Council Chambers on 9/24/19 for Wards 3 & 4.

6. Large Grant topics for discussion due late October 2019 : The large grant amount that one can apply for has increased to \$6000. Jeff Birkby introduced 4 possible large grant topics for submission. 1. More wayfinder bollards for the Kim Williams trail. 2. Improvements to the Bonner Park band shell/ADA access. 3. More trees for Bonner Park. 4. Install adult exercise equipment at Bonner Park. The group also discussed the possibility of writing to Donna Gaulker in support of an adult exercise park.

7. Topics/speakers for Fall General Meeting Oct. 1, 2019 : The group discussed several possible topics and speakers for the general meeting.

8. Public Comment /Non-agenda items : Peter Drakos updated the UNCLT regarding the Higgins Ave Bridge improvements/better ADA access. Peter contacted Public Works director Shane Stack regarding the project. Peter also contacted the Mayor of Missoula to discuss the project/funding for 2021.

Peter also contacted a civil rights group, the Director of parks, and recommended getting community groups to write a letter of support for this upcoming project.

Adjourn- Next UNDC General Fall Meeting October 1, 2019 6:15pm : The UNCLT meeting concluded at 8:30pm