

## Lewis and Clark Neighborhood Council Leadership Team Minutes

Date: December 4, 2019 Time: 5:30 pm

Location: Lewis and Clark Village Community Room 3000 S Higgins Ave. Missoula, MT 59802

Present: Colleen Biehl, Kathleen Hanson, Jeff Miller, resident, Jane Kelly Office of the Neighborhoods

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1. All were welcomed.

2. November 2, 2019 Leadership Team Meeting Minutes stand as posted.

3. Neighborhood Traffic Safety Committee Update – Committee had first meeting prior to this meeting at 5pm. There were attendees from both neighborhoods. Their first course of action will be to draft a letter to city, state and ward representative with the proposals outlined. See Committee December 4<sup>th</sup> Minutes.

4. Updates on Bancroft Ponds pending projects

-Benches: The 3 bench stones have been placed on the trail. Thank you. Morgan and crew.

-Gravel: John and Colleen have talked to Morgan Valliant about the trail from Stephens Street to the birding area to be improved with the left-over gravel from the trails project. Jane gave the Ok as it is still being used for improved trails. Need to finalize with Morgan Valliant.

-Birding area planting: Colleen contacted Molly Dillingham to see if all the birding area was planted and it was. Buckets for watering will be place near gates in late spring and there will be a weeding and replacement planting in midsummer

-Large Grant for Interpretive signs: We will be receiving the grant money for the signs. Our grant was ranked #1. Thank you, John!

-Outdoor Classroom: Colleen, John and Dave, are ready to give a short presentation to the Conservation Lands Advisory Committee (CLAC) at their next meeting. We are waiting for Morgan Vaillant to contact us as he is to advise of the committee's next meeting on a first Monday. Dave had contacted Morgan.

5. Community Forum Report -Colleen Biehl reported that there were 4 presentations given: Missoula in Motion. You can use their app to find the fastest way to your destination utilizing buses, trails and bike lanes. Leagues of Women Voters presented power point on Additional Homes in Missoula. National Wildlife Federation Education and Outreach assistant, Claudia Hewston, presented how to earn a Wildlife Habitat Certification in your garden/yard. Nick Kaufman from WGM Group presented the 1475 Eaton Street rezone to a multiple housing unit for 55+, a community garden and paths connecting to neighborhoods on each side. This area is located at Blessed Trinity Church.

.6. Office of the Neighborhoods Report – Jane announced that Karen Gasvoda has accepted another position within the city administration and will no longer be with the Office of the Neighborhoods.

7. Public comments: Jeff Miller thanked the Pond Steering Committee and the Leadership Team on keeping the Bancroft Ponds develop going.

8. Announcements: **REMINDER No January Meeting for the Lewis & Clark Neighborhood Leadership Team.** They will resume February 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm at the Lewis and Clark Village Community Room.

**No December Bancroft Ponds Steering Committee Meeting Resume on January 15.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Colleen Biehl**