

Lewis & Clark Neighborhood Leadership Team Meeting Minutes

November 1, 2023

5:30 pm

Lewis & Clark Elementary School Library, 2901 Park Street, Missoula

1. Jay and Coille Putman of the neighborhood were introduced.
 - a. Roll Call: Terry Conner, Colleen Biehl, Eric Warren and Kathleen Hanson were present to form a quorum.
2. October 4, 2023 Meeting Minutes were approved as posted.
3. Treasurer Report- Colleen Biehl reported the status of the Bancroft Grants and the Neighborhood Budget. See attached report. Discussion was had on consolidating the small amounts of the 3 outstanding grant's balances totaling \$1,068.00. It was voted to place the funds in one account as to clear up the past balances from 2018, 2019 and 2021 and spend by fiscal year end. The funds will be exclusive to Bancroft Ponds Park. A meeting is proposed with Jeff Gicklhorn and John Conner and other interested members to work on a project.
4. Items for Discussion
 - Membership Positions – Kalina Pritchard - Tabled
 - Neighborhood Survey- Claire Battaglia – Tabled
 - Update on Camping at Bancroft Ponds Park – The Parks department and the city have had the campers relocate due to unsanitary conditions. The area along 34th Street has been cleaned up.
 - Update on Landscaping at Bancroft Ponds – Colleen Biehl reported that Sasha from the CLM and crew did some planting in the birding area and there was work on fixing the cages around the Hawthorne trees. The deer fence along Bancroft and 34th Street has been shored up with streamers to keep the deer out as the new plants get established.
 - Scheduling Guest Speakers - No decision made – perhaps, the new mayor.
5. Neighborhood City Forum Report – Eric Warren reported that the League of Women Voters spoke about the process for review of Montana city and county government laws every ten years with the voting done at the primaries. 2024 will be the year. This became state law in 1996. No meeting in November.
6. **Public Comment** – Jay and Coille Putman brought their concerns over the proposed music festival to be held at Playfair Park with the possibility of 20,000 to 440,000 people. This event has not been presented to the Lewis & Clark Neighborhood Leadership team. The team along with the Putman's discussed the impact on the neighborhood. Consensus was no festival in the Lewis & Clark Neighborhood. An information meeting on Monday, November 6 at 4:30pm City Life Community Center, 1515 Fairview Ave, Missoula

Impacts would be: Parking, outhouses, destruction of properties, overuse of soccer field, noise, people wandering around neighborhood, close to Russell Elementary School and Sentinel High School, Splash, people camping on streets.

7. Announcements: Next Meeting Wednesday, December 6 at 5:30pm Lewis & Clark Elementary School Library

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Lewis & Clark Neighbor Grant Account

FY18 Bancroft Pond ADA Trail	\$436.07
Birding Trail Excavating	<u>\$320.24</u> for gravel
Remaining	\$115.83
FY19 Bancroft Signage	\$455.53
FY21 Bancroft Pond Outdoor Classroom	\$1,612.64
Landscaping	<u>\$1,116.00</u> for trees
Remaining	\$496.64
Total	\$1,068.00

Neighborhood Budget 2023-2024	\$1400.00
9/10/23 Big Dipper (General Meeting)	<u>\$309.00</u>
Total	\$1,091.00