

Minutes of University Neighborhood Council Meeting
7:00 PM Paxson School

20 March, 2012

The meeting was attended by over 40 people (the exact number was difficult to assess as several people entered while the meeting was in progress).

1. The meeting was called to order by Dave Chrismon who welcomed the attendees, stressed the fact that there would be time for discussion of all topics on the agenda, mentioned the election of a Leadership team which would be held later in the meeting, and introduced Jane Kelly.
2. Jane Kelly, the Missoula Neighborhood Liaison, described the structure of the Neighborhood Councils. There are 18 Councils, each consisting of 5-7 members on the Leadership Team and one member designated to attend the monthly meeting of all Neighborhood councils. There will be one alternate to attend in the event the designee is unable. The structure is described in the pamphlet entitled Missoula Neighborhoods.
3. Beki Hartmann, the chair of the University of Montana Neighborhood Ambassadors described the Ambassadors program wherein the University area is divided into several districts, each with an ambassador whose task is to mitigate problems arising between student renters and area homeowners. She introduced several of the volunteers and described their bi-weekly newsletter. They are also planning a to assess issues and mitigations.
4. Sample Issues: Ian Lange, retired professor of geology, discussed the University's plans to build a new College of Technology campus on the University Golf Course. Ian described the changes in plans that had occurred over the past few years and the impact the new COT would have on parking, traffic, and pollution in the area. Bob Giardino discussed paving the Riverfront Trail and the alternatives to asphalt such as Pine Resin and other natural materials.
5. The Public comments section brought forth several contributors: Lee Clemmenson discuss the impending issue of infill. Jane Kelly read a note from Bob Jaffe. Lynn Dixon mentioned the positioning of four rocks placed on various sites on Mount Seminal and Mount Jumbo the mark the ancient lakeshore of Glacial Lake Missoula at 4200' altitude. Jana Stepp of Beverly Ave. suggested we have some neighborhood parties to foster community attitudes among the residents. Wade Vanderberg asked about the city's making Maurice into a one-way street. Mary Ann Richman and Suzette Dussault brought up problems with traffic in the area
6. Prior to Elections being held, Jane Kelly reviewed the duties of the Leadership Team. Nominations were made and the following members were elected to the leadership team:
 - Bill Miller
 - Dave Chrismon (Community Forum Representative)
 - Joel Fleischer
 - Miriam Richmond
 - Paul Tatto (Community Forum alternate)
 - Tom Roy