

Franklin to the Fort Neighborhood Council Leadership Team Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, October 24, 2016

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Location: Rosauers
2350 S. Reserve St.
Missoula, MT 59801

Leadership Team Attendees: *Andrea Dahl, Brad May, Matt Loomis, Connie Lewis, Mykal Funk.*

Others Present: *Jane Kelly - Office of Neighborhoods; Patricia Hogan-neighborhood resident; Kathi Olson, Public Art Committee.*

- 1) Approval of minutes from the July 26, 2016 Neighborhood Council General Meeting
- 2) Follow-up from the neighborhood walkabout. This activity on October 15, 2016, was conducted by the Missoula Invest Health project. The purpose is to identify problems and assets within the city that affect health and well-being of residents. Participants on the walkabout were members of the Leadership Team and interested neighborhood residents. A formal report will be forth-coming.
- 3) Discuss potential dates and location for next General Meeting. Prefer not on a Monday, so that city council members can attend (except 5th Monday, which is a non-council day). Porter Middle School would be a possible location, but decided on Friends Meeting hall at 12th & Grant (1861 S 12th St W). Patricia Hogan will contact, and a \$25 donation was approved. A date of Tuesday, January 24, 2017 was approved.
- 4) Discuss ways to purchase more sandwich boards. Will have to wait, because city code compliance staff have raised concerns about signs on the right-of-way. Political signs are not allowed, but Neighborhood Councils are an extension of city government, not a political group.
- 5) Discuss how to reach more neighbors about our meetings and issues. Awaiting decision on sandwich boards. Discussed cost of current mailing practice: about \$57 for post cards and printing + \$933 for directory mailing service = \$990. Decided to continue this practice. Also will work with GIS department in the spring to do an inventory of individual apartment & duplex numbers.
- 6) Large grant proposal for traffic signal boxes (TSB). Kathi Olson and Patricia Hogan provided information about Missoula's long-term project to decorate TSBs by local

artists. At this time, 55 out of 77 are complete. However, the Montana Department of Transportation will eventually replace nine boxes, and the art work cannot be preserved. Patricia will be submitting a grant request to decorate two boxes for \$1500 each. This is a stipend paid to the artist for their talent and materials. The locations will be at Garfield & South and North & Russell. Neither of these locations is actually within the F2F boundaries, but are very close.

A suggestion was made to invite a TSB artist to present at a general meeting.

- 7) Vacant Leadership Team position. May be up for consideration at the next General Meeting. An interim person could be appointed. Several neighborhood residents participating in the walkabout were told of the vacancy.
- 8) Community Forum report. Brad May reported on some of the topics at the last two meetings. Detailed information can be found in Community Forum minutes.
- 9) Office of Neighborhoods report. Jane Kelly noted that: The ballot issue on the location of a new Cold Springs school is zero-cost, because the money was already approved in a previous election; and that the City is holding discussions concerning annexation of land at the proposed construction site of a new Costco.
- 10) Public comment on non-agenda items: Someone mentioned the need to report pot holes and damaged street signs to the appropriate City departments.
- 11) Announcements: None.

Next meeting: Wednesday, December 7, 2016. 6:00 PM. Rosauers.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40.

Minutes submitted by Brad May.