

Moose Can Gully (MCG) and South 39th Joint Neighborhood Council Leadership Team Meeting
November 25, 2019 6:00 PM

Hal Fraser Conference Room, 140 W Pine Street, Missoula

MCG Present: John Nugent-Chair, Janet Van Dyke, Carol Garlington, Betsy Weber

MCG Absent: None

South 39th Present: Paul Kilzer, Ruth Burke, Dave Bell

South 39th Absent: Jeff Stevens-Chair, David Touchette, Rosemary Hubbard

City Staff Present: Jane Kelly, Office of Neighborhoods Program Coordinator

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by John Nugent.

1. November 13, 2019 Meeting Minutes

A revised draft of the minutes was circulated by email to members with attachments. Carol Garlington moved they be approved as revised with attachments. This was seconded and unanimously approved

2. Neighborhood Priorities Questionnaire Results Summary

Carol presented a draft summary of questionnaire responses. Discussion followed about issues finding property owner and address on vacant properties when reporting complaints.

- Decision was made to have Ruth put the summary into Google Docs format to share for revision suggestions. The document will be sent via email with instructions to Leadership Team members with email access
- Suggestions must be completed by Thursday Dec 5th.
- Final draft will be written by Carol and Jane by Tuesday Dec 10th.

3. Update on Neighborhood Project Funds Grants

Jane distributed a list of grant proposals received this year. For \$18K available grant funds, \$63K was requested in the proposals. Mayor Engen has assured Jane that the Urban Deer Study will be funded outside of the neighborhood grant funds. (corrected 1/29/20: *Paul Kilzer noted that he and Ruth Burke would follow up with Bryan von Lossberg on the planned urban deer study*) The Splash Montana Art Box grant was funded.

Other projects funded were: Bancroft Ponds, Grant Creek Trail Tree Hazard, Outdoor Cinema, Traffic Signal Boxes at Stevens & Beckwith and Orange & Sixth. Grant approval will not be final until approved by Community Forum at their Dec 19th meeting. For further detail, see the [minutes of the 11/19/2019 NPF Committee meeting](#).

4. Hillview Crossing Update

The City Council is meeting tonight to discuss this project. Recent developments include Fire Marshall stating he is unable to approve the project design unless streets are 35 feet wide or each unit is sprinkled.

5. Office of Neighborhood Report - Jane Kelly

- Jane and Carol invited members and a guest to a holiday party December 19th. A brief Community Forum meeting will occur during which grant approval voting will occur. This will be followed by a potluck Community Forum Holiday Party (bring an appetizer or dessert), with pizza and water is provided and a white elephant gift exchange.
- Jane suggested that members be thinking of candidates for Outstanding Volunteer to be decided in April.

6. Community Forum Reports

- Betsy reported attending the Oct 24 meeting which included 3 presentations: Van Buren Soil Wall and Mural - grant project, update on Higgins Avenue Bridge, Garden City Compost. Heidi West also discussed housing projects under consideration by City Council.
- Carol reported attending the November 21 meeting, which included 4 presentations: Missoula in Motion, League of Women Voters housing exercise, National Wildlife Federation gardening for wildlife certification, rezoning of 1474 Eaton Street near Blessed Trinity on Mount and Reserve to allow better flow with housing developments.

7. Public comment on non-agenda items

No non-members were present.

It was announced that the Carousel will be open on Thanksgiving and free to the public.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 6:50PM by John Nugent.

Next meeting: January 27th, 2020.

Minutes by Betsy Weber - Secretary, MCG Leadership Team