

Present:

Leadership Team	Neighbors
Kathy Greathouse	--Jim Hausauer
Jon Salmonson	--Ed Childers, Missoula City Council Member
Mike Greathouse	--Ellen Buchanan, Missoula Redevelopment Agency
Patricia Hogan	--Todd Gass, Missoula Redevelopment Agency
	-- Olivia Riutta, ASUM Renter Center
	-- Erin Scott, Neighborhood Office Liaison
	About 10 others (see sign-in sheet)

**Announcement** – Jim Hausauer explained the petition he circulated in support of prioritizing a grade-separated pedestrian crossing over Reserve at CS Porter School.

**Presentation:** Todd Gass of the Missoula Redevelopment Agency made a brief powerpoint presentation setting forth the URD III curb, sidewalk, and gutter (CSG) project. The mission of MRA is to reduce blight, therefore CSG falls within their purview. The job will take four years, to be implemented in four phases, each valued at about \$1m. Ellen Buchanan explained how the tax-increment financing for the CSG in the area works, obviating the need to assess the property owners, commercial or private. The project will not involve other major infrastructure, such as water and sewer mains.

Jim Hausauer suggested they prioritize CSG along Grant from 14<sup>th</sup> St to North Avenue, as being part of the Safe Routes to School path.

**Introductions** of those present.

#### Public Comment

- What about the dogs-at-large problem?
  - That is tabled til next month's meeting, due to this month's crowded agenda.
- What about traffic calming at 11<sup>th</sup> St and Garfield?
  - -- That is on tonight's agenda.

#### Treasurer's report for end of FY09

- \$-0- in the postage fund.
- \$-0- in general fund

We begin the new fiscal year (07-01-09 – 06-30-10) with \$800 in the general fund, and a mailing allowance.

**Alderman Childers' Update**

Nothing new to report on the hydrant installations.

Ed will get an officer to attend next month's meeting to address how to deal with the problem of dogs at large.

**Parks & Trails Committee** – Jon Salmonson, Jim Hausauer, Mike Greathouse

Have been researching potential parcels for creating more parks in the neighborhood. Mike Barton (Office of Planning & Grants) has agreed to join the committee to research the possibility of a like-for-like trade of USFS land for city-owned land near Fort Missoula, in the effort to acquire the USFS parcel southwest of 14<sup>th</sup> St and the tracks.

**Summer Social**

The Summer Social was unanimously held to be a great success, with a good turn-out and new sign-ups. Jon Salmonson was acknowledged for the wonderful job he did in managing to get the new trees planted in Franklin Park, and inspiring the City Parks and Recreation Dept. to pay more attention to the need for trees in our neighborhood.

**Traffic Calming**

Eric (10<sup>th</sup> St & Garfield) presented his preliminary plan for traffic calming on Garfield: bulb-outs, with a 9-ft travel lane separated from a 4-ft bike lane by a 3.5-ft pedestrian island. Also suggests rotating the orientation of the stop signs at 10<sup>th</sup> St and Garfield.

Eric will head up a committee to get this traffic calming effort going with the city; several members volunteered to assist him. He circulated a sign-up sheet for anyone interested.

**Personnel Introductions**

Erin Scott, Neighborhood Office Liaison.

Olivia Riutta, director of the Associated Students of the U of MT Renter Center

**New Business**

- *TIGER grant* is part of the stimulus package; the Missoula MPO will organize the Active Transportation project, valued at \$50m and already on the shelf, by 0815-09, to submit by the 09-15-09 deadline. This project builds trails and CSG; the latter will require less than \$20m of the grant request. It involves a “buy-in” of a 40/60 SID for sidewalks. [K2]
- We will put a hold on the *F2F Boundary Change discussion* for the meantime. Hans Christensen of the Triangle Neighborhood informed Jon that the boundaries of the Franklin and Russell Elementary school districts may be changing soon, and this will impact our decisions on the Neighborhood Council limits.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Hogan, F2F LT member