

Lewis & Clark Neighborhood Bancroft Ponds Steering Committee

August 19, 2020 Time: 4:30 PM

Zoom Meeting

Present: Naomi Alhadoff, John Conner, Colleen, Jake Gieger, Kelly Elam, Office of the Neighborhoods

1. Colleen Biehl welcomed Jake Gieger, new resident of the neighborhood. Introductions were made of committee members present.

2. July 15, 2020 minutes were approved as posted.

3. Bancroft Pond Updates

-Birding area is looking great. Biehl's and Conner's are watering each week. A schedule was sent to the committee for watering sign up, no additional volunteers have come forward.

-Interpretive Sign Project and Trail work – Morgan Valliant sent an email stating that the interpretive signs project was put on hold. He is looking to hire a designer for all the parks involved with the project as there will be continuity and will be able to order all the signs together for better cost. Look for more news this late fall.

-Outdoor Classroom -John Conner has been working on sprucing up the grant for the Outdoor Classroom. He will add Nathan McLeod, City landscape architect, to work on the ADA and other recommendations when the Parks Board approves the project. Morgan feels that this will pass and Donna Gaukler is very supportive of the project. Parks Board Meeting is on Tuesday, September 8, 2020.

-Dogs off Leash - Dave Westfall said Morgan Valliant told him that people should call 911 for aggressive dogs off leash in the park. The 911 dispatcher will transfer your call to the animal control. Do not hesitate.

4. Newsletter content – Please send information for the newsletter to Kathleen or Colleen, asap. The newsletter deadline is Sept. 15

5. Office of the Neighborhoods- Kelly Elam informed the committee that the date for grants will be changed as will the scoring process. Colleen suggested she and Colin contact Ray Aten as he has been on the committee for the grants for some time and he would have good insight on what recent changes have been made.

6. No public Comments

7. Announcements: Next Zoom Meeting to be held on Wednesday, September 16, at 4:30 pm.

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What is important to Lewis & Clark Neighbors?

- Bancroft Ponds Committee:
- Duck Pond maintenance including mowing
- Duck Pond patrol (drinking and other behaviors)
- Urban Deer
- Dogs off leash

Safety Committee:

- Lack of painted crosswalks

- Speeding
- Sidewalks not being shoveled