

Lewis and Clark Neighborhood Council Leadership Team Minutes

May 4, 2022

5:30 pm

Meeting at Playfair Park Shelter

Terry Conner moderated the meeting.

1. Staci Shepard and Alli Kane from Missoula in Motions were welcomed.

Roll Call was taken, and a quorum was established. Terry Conner, Colleen Biehl, James Walter, Jerry Dirnberger, Susan Schott, Kalina Wickham, Missoula Neighborhoods

2. Minutes from the April 6, 2022 were approved as posted.

3. **Treasurers Report** - Susan Schott

Tabled - Propose use of remaining Balance for the mailing of Sunday Streets or something else for the Neighborhood - Colleen Biehl

4. **Traffic Safety Committee Updates** – James Walters

James reported that the school district still needs to vote on the change for reduced speed for all the city's school streets.

-Call for Street Art - James Walter explained his proposed grant for painting the calming circles. Neighborhood Forum has approved the grant for \$5300 which covers most of the artist fee and supplies. City Council needs to vote on the grants at their next meeting. The grant would cover one circle to be painted by the artist and to make templates for the other two.

A discussion was held on asking the neighbors on the corners of the intersection where the circles are to see if they would like a specific design and or paint one themselves. James was open to the idea and will pursue asking the neighbors. The grant will cover materials. The City Art Committee will review the proposal and send out a call for artists. Finalists will be selected by the end of July. Then the project will proceed.

5. **Sunday Streets September 18, 2022** - Kathleen Hanson

Kathleen drew up two different routes on the neighborhood map (see attached) for possible routes to use during the Sunday Streets. We all liked the route around LC school area and nearer to the calming circles. Alli and Staci said it was a good route as there were no bus stops or major streets to consider. They will take the plan and check with the traffic dept. to see if there are any problems in closing the streets off. Missoula inMotion will send information out in mid-August to the neighborhood through mailings and social media. We can use our sandwich boards to help get the word out. There will be information tables, such as for the neighborhood and other outreach agencies. Missoula in Motion will help get the food trucks.

For more information check out www.missoulainmotion.com

Bancroft Ponds Park Updates: John Conner

-Outdoor Classroom - Final setting of the stone benches was done this week and laying of gravel around ADA area. Tree planting will be in the Fall.

-Restoration of Eastend - Planting was done by Sentinel High School students volunteers under the direction of Clancy from the Parks & Rec Dept. on April 18, and 19. This was handled by the Park Department.

-Interpretive Signs and Birding Trail - We approved the outgoing Bid for the designer for the signs. Still waiting for the Storm Water Dept to decide on accept a bid. We agreed to go with the Storm Water Dept since we could receive the signs sooner and they are doing a sign in conjunction with us as part of the storm water filter system through the park.

7. **Community Forum Report** - Colleen Biehl reported that Missoula for Trees and the City Forestry Dept gave a joint presentation on how trees make a neighborhood safe, calming and reduce heat absorption in the summer. Information was shared on how trees can be planted on the city right of way for boulevards and curbside sidewalks.
8. Missoula Neighborhood Report - Kalina Wickham reported that
9. Public comments

Announcements: Next Meeting Wednesday, June 1, 2022 at 5:30 pm

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LEWIS & CLARK NEIGHBORHOOD HIGHLIGHTS



- New stop signs & calming circles- possible calming circle painting collaboration during event
- Bancroft Ponds (tough to cross Bancroft..?) - Highlight outdoor classroom stone placements, new native vegetation plantings, birding area
- Lewis & Clark Elementary School - good open space
- Elms Park - good open space for classes, etc.
- Pattee Creek - Runs along Pattee Cr Dr and an important/valuable neighborhood asset. InviteBig Sky Watershed Corps and Missoula's Storm Water Utility to set up on the creek and help educate about their planned habit restoration efforts?
- Playfair Park
- Route past/ include lower income housing near McDonald, Stephens & 34th street