

# Captain John Mullan Neighborhood Council

## Leadership Team Meeting Agenda

March 21, 2024; 6pm

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1. Introduction and Roll Call – Melissa Glueckert, Karla Nichwander, Kathie Snodgrass, Firefighter's Union representative Ty Belnap, and Assistant Fire Chief Philip Keating
2. Approval of Minutes- [February 15, 2024](#) a quorum was not present.
3. Presentations:
  - a. Fire Department Mill Levy: Local 271 Fire Union & Missoula Fire Department – The Department reported that response times are 2 ½ minutes slower than the national standard. This is due to the massive growth in population and area of Missoula over the last 15 years with no increase in the number of firefighters, engines, or stations. A levy will be on the June 4 primary election ballot to correct the situation with additional staffing, a new station in the growth area west of Reserve Street, and the ability to continue funding the support team. Firefighting services are funded as part of the City's General Fund. If the levy doesn't pass, it's likely that home and business insurance rates will go up as population continues to expand and response times continue to deteriorate. If it does pass, it's likely that rates will decrease once the improvements are made. 34 mils is \$7 million. That's around \$16 per month for a \$550,000 home.
4. Items to be Discussed:
  - a. Spring Neighborhood Clean-Up – probably not this year. Our neighborhood is mostly made up of developments with homeowner's associations and commercial apartment complexes that don't have the issues many neighborhoods do.

- b. Pleasant View Park Update – Kathie did contact Donna Gaukler, and Donna said she'd assign a staffer to assist us in planning a way to accelerate the park's development. They do have the Master Plan in their files.
  - c. City Chats (May 15, 44 Ranch) – This is where the City council and staff sets up in a neighborhood to meet and talk to neighbors. We would like to provide this for our neighborhood on May 15, (in conjunction with our General Meeting?) at the 44 Ranch Park pavilion. Topics may include future development and the fire levy.
- 5. Community Forum Report – There is a video of the Code amendments required by legislation passed this last legislative session that's available for viewing.
  - 6. Neighborhood Budget
  - 7. Missoula Neighborhoods Report- Melissa/Kalina
  - 8. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items – Kathie suggested that Karla serve on our LT as an appointee until the next General Meeting and Karla assented. [krnichwander@gmail.com](mailto:krnichwander@gmail.com)
  - 9. Announcements -
  - 10. Adjournment

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