

Minutes from Upper Rattlesnake Leadership Team Meeting September 17, 2024

Attendees:

Upper Rattlesnake Leadership Team members Terri Roach (Co-Chair), Andrea Stierle (Co-Chair), Jeani Alonzo Adams (Treasurer and Transportation Committee Representative), Kathy Gaskill (Co-Secretary), Judy Molland (Co-Secretary and alternate Community Forum Representative). Other attendees were Doug Grimm (Sign Maker), Kalina Pritchard (Neighborhood Specialist), Eric Mendelson (Upper Rattlesnake Resident), David Passieri (Candidate for Representative of House District 91), Natalie Passieri.

1. Terri called the meeting to order. Andrea made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 21, 2024 Ice Cream Social and General Meeting and Jeani seconded; minutes were unanimously approved.
2. Eric is the coordinator for a proposal to have dual use of one tennis court at Pineview Park for tennis and pickleball. Eric will write a proposal for funding this project with an Energize your Neighborhood Grant. Terri told him the application, instructions and pertinent dates are on the Office of Neighborhoods website. He will contact Kalina if he has questions regarding the process.
3. The Ice Cream Social was deemed a success with approximately 90 free ice cream cones enjoyed by residents. The presentations on bear safety, bike safety, emergency preparedness and transportation related projects including replacement of the Lolo Street Bridge were well received. The total cost paid to Big Dipper was \$646 of which \$249.71 was a deposit paid from last year's budget. Residents were invited to write any concerns they have regarding their neighborhood on a posted sheet and these concerns will be routed to the appropriate city offices to address.
4. Judy attended the last Community Forum Meeting and reported that the topic of most concern was enforcement that started July 25th of the Urban Camping Ordinance that was passed by the City Council. Mayor Davis and Gwen Jones, Ward 3 Council member, provided information on how the Council developed the ordinance as a way to safely help and manage the unhoused residents of Missoula. Public comment was given by those supporting the ordinance and some who had concerns such as camping sites that were near school bus stops and children reported being harassed by campers. Mayor Davis and Gwen Jones acknowledged more work needs to be done on aspects of the ordinance to ensure it achieves the results envisioned.
5. Jeani reported the Rattlesnake Transportation Committee did not meet in September so she had nothing to report.
6. The URLT is scheduled to give a report on current issues and projects at the City Council Meeting on October 21. This will be discussed at the next URLT meeting on October

15th. Terri secured permission for URLT meetings to be held at Messiah Church on the third Tuesday of the month going forward.

7. Kalina encouraged the URLT to review the Neighborhood Action Plan document she sent to us and use it as a resource where appropriate for organizing, outreach and engaging residents, developing a 2 year work plan and how to develop action plans. She also mentioned a survey tool is being developed that can be used by Leadership Teams to gather more information on what residents are interested in and what level of importance they attach to issues.
8. David Passieri introduced himself to the URLT; he is running for State House District 91 representative.
9. Terri reported Kevin has resigned from the URLT. He plans to stay involved with URNC endeavors as he is able.
10. The next URLT meeting will be on October 15 at 4 pm at Messiah Church. Kathy made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Andrea seconded. Meeting was adjourned.