

March 23, 2010
Franklin to the Fort Neighborhood Meeting
Location: Missoula Friends Meeting House
1861 S. 12th West

- Introductions

- Public Comment –

Visitor: Mike Williams, Principal

- Levy Request by Mail ballot. Initial starting on April 8. 1.97 mils or \$6.72 for a \$200,000 assessed value home for one year only.
- New Superintendent, Alex Apostle, wants voters to be informed and know what the levy tax is covering—Educational programs, equipment and supplies, utilities and maintenance.
- Question: Is any changes being made for elections so that disabled people can get into the gym without going all the way to the front door. Mr. Williams will look into this issue.
- Questions: Changes in enrollment of Franklin School. Up and down but the general trend is generally a slow increase.

Treasurer's Report – Jon Salmonson

- No change in treasurer's report. We have not spent anything since last June.

Alderman Update

- DUI ordinance: Refusal to take breath analyzer test currently results in a 6 month suspension. Proposed: \$300 for 1st offense and \$500 for 2nd offense. Sent back to committee
- Anti discriminatory ordinance. Make LGBT a protected class. Some advocates want veteran's protected official. No resolution yet
- Rethinking the snub nose house restrictions

NEW BUSINESS

Update – Erin Scott, Neighborhood Liaison

- Side walk update – down west of the mall
- Looking for volunteers to help with 2010 Non-motorized Traffic count in May
- 3 trainings for leadership teams in April

Getting People to Your Meeting: Marketing & Networking

Saturday April 10th 9am – 1pm

Presenter: Erin Scott, Neighborhood Liaison and Guest Presenter, TBA

Location: Fire Station #4, 3011 Latimer St.

Appreciative Inquiry, Community Building & Active Listening

Thursday April 22nd 6pm – 9pm

Presenter: Janet D. Fiero, Ph.D., Co-facilitator Erin Scott

Location: City Council Chambers, 140 W. Pine

Overcoming Bureaucracy: A Panel

Thursday April 29th 6pm – 9pm

Presenter: National Coalition Building Institute, members of City Staff and City Council

Location: City Council Chambers, 140 W. Pine

Discussion of Master Sidewalk Plan before City Council April 5th

- Jon presented the Master Sidewalk Plan and shared his disappointment in the plan
- Original language: Build sidewalks where non exist
- Next Version: Install sidewalks first where the need is the greatest
- Current: Install sidewalks where the need is the greatest (incremental plan)
- Garfield and 5th St sidewalk says 1913. We have been working on side walks for 97 years and the current plan is an incremental plan for another 100 years.
- Jon Salmonson recommends a tax on car licenses or gas so as sidewalks can be built
- Ed Childers clarified several points: City can order that property owner must put in sidewalks. However, sidewalk, curb and gutter is \$50/foot and very expensive to the homeowners. They have chosen not go this direction.
- Jon will speak against the sidewalk plan at the April 5 Meeting

Marilyn Marler commented by email "I think it would be timely for the neighborhood council to comment on the need for more sidewalks, and go so far as to identify a few priorities for PW to get started on. Catlin, for one example, or any of the "top priorities" identified in the Infrastructure Plan. Doug Harby has assured me that he would welcome your suggestions. Your work on the Johnson St project was just fantastic."

- Precedent is Highway 93. Created the People's Way –fences to keep the animals off the highway. Why can't we use gas tax to build sidewalks and keep people off the F2F streets.

Medical Marijuana Businesses can only serve 3 people plus the grower (state restriction). This is not a current issue of city council. However, police and business licensing is trying to monitor the marijuana businesses.

Parks & Trails – Update

Motion by Janet Fiero to send the letter regarding the need for parks (Park Acquisition Assistance) in the F2F area as written to Director Buchanan, Missoula Redevelopment Agency. Judy Hewitt seconded, motion PASSED.

Committee Report:

Status of Franklin Trail: City Attorney Nugent says that the trail is "unowned" and can be developed. Boulevard trees can be requested from the Urban forester.

Reserve/Hwy 93 – Pedestrian Crossing (under/over)

Future Meetings:

- Eaton St trail between 3rd and 7th
- Social is being planned by Erin Scott for Forum.
- F2F Summer Social picnic to be determined?

Adjourned 9:00pm