

Franklin to the Fort Neighborhood Council General Meeting and Annual BBQ

Meeting Minutes

Date: July 14, 2015

Time: 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Location: Franklin Park
2100 10th Street
Missoula, MT 59801

BBQ was served.

Leadership Team Members Present: Tim Streets, Jake Gardner, Wayne Raymond, Matt Loomis

Others Present: Corena Maurer, Neighborhood Assistant, Donna Gaukler, Director of Missoula Parks and Recreation, Ben Weiss, Bike/Ped Program Manager, Darcy McKinley-Lester, NWF, Shane Stack, Preconstruction engineer

1. Franklin Park Improvements – Donna Gaukler, Director of Missoula Parks and Recreation – Donna gave a presentation on the changes and updates coming to Franklin Park. There was a brief question and answer period.
2. New Business – Shane Stack from the Montana Department of Transportation gave a presentation on the future roundabouts at Orange and Van Buren.
3. Greenways – Ben Weiss, Bike/Ped Program Manager – Ben gave an update on current and potential greenways in the Franklin to the Fort Neighborhood and the City. There was a brief question and answer period.
4. Community Wildlife Habitat Initiative – Darcy McKinley-Lester, NWF – Darcy presented the Franklin to the Fort leadership team with the certification plaque of Franklin Park as a wildlife habitat. She gave a brief talk about the Missoula Community Wildlife Habitat Initiative.
5. Office of Neighborhoods Report – Corena Maurer, Neighborhood Assistant – Corena gave a brief update on the Office of Neighborhood's activity that included information about Neighborhood Night at the Ballpark.
6. Leadership Team Elections – There were currently 5 members of the leadership with spots for 2 more members (making the total 7). Brad May, Greg Strandberg and Sarahbeth Haddad were all nominated. Each nominee was asked in turn if

they would like to volunteer to be an alternate. All nominees declined. Each nominee was allowed to give a brief speech to the neighborhood. A vote was then conducted by Jake Gardner, the leadership team Chair. The final results of the voting were: 17 votes for Brad May, 5 votes for Sarahbeth Haddad and 4 votes for Greg Strandberg. Brad and Sarahbeth were appointed to the remaining two spots on the leadership team. Greg was offered the position of alternate which he declined.

7. Public comment on non-agenda items – there was brief public comment which included Derek Goldman who spoke about the upcoming school bond.
8. Announcements - None

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What is important to the Franklin to Fort Neighbors?

1. Missing curbs and sidewalks/ADA concerns - 33 Votes
2. Update on status of Forest Service Depot - 9 Votes
3. Russell St. update - 7 Votes
4. Municipalization of water system - 7 Votes
5. Neighborhood Greenways - 6 Votes
6. Franklin Park upgrades - 5 Votes
7. 5th and 6th Street proposals - 5 Votes
8. Q&A with Urban Forester - 5 Votes
9. Urban deer - 4 Votes
10. Update on 3rd St. reconstruction - 4 Votes
11. Neighborhood Watch - 4 Votes