

Riverfront Neighborhood Council Leadership Team

Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, April 10, 2017

Time: 5:30- 6:30 pm

Location: Bernice's Bakery
190 S. 3rd St. W
Missoula, MT 59802

Attendance: Mary LaPorte, Jeff Rice, Jane Kelly (Neighborhood Coordinator), Janet McMillan, Britt Arnesen, Jonathan Qualben, Caleb Kasper, Gwen Jones (City Council)

Residents of the neighborhood/ guests: Sherry McLauchlan, Will McLauchlan, Michael Dean

1. **Approval of [February 13, 2017](#) and [March 13, 2017](#) minutes**

Approved ; Motioned by Janet McMillan and Second by Jonathan Qualben

2. **Update on 5th/6th Traffic Safety Analysis: Ben Weiss (invited)**

Ben, Kevin, and Joe from Alta planning spoke with businesses impacted by the possible lane adjustments to work on some tweaks to the current version of 1-C that will satisfy all parties. One adjustment is for westbound traffic on 5th to have 2 lanes going through the Orange Street intersection and then the left lane ending as an entrance into Orange Street Food Farm.

3. **New Willard School Planning Process: Mary;** Coordination Rose Park Neighborhood

There will be a new community engagement process starting up in mid-April regarding the planning for the new school. Rose Park Leadership Neighborhood has invited Riverfront Neighborhood to be a part of the process.

Along with the planning process for a new facility, the Willard School is also looking for ideas regarding planning for any school program adjustments. They are looking for community involvement opportunities.

4. **Community Forum Report – Mary LaPorte** (*to include possible topics for general meeting*)

There is a tree plan that has been completed for our neighborhood. It is an option to present that during the General Meeting.

Orange/5th and Orange/6th traffic signal boxes have not been painted. Brit, Mary, and Caleb have volunteered to be involved in the processes.



Some other neighborhoods are promoting a neighborhood cleanup day. We are able to utilize neighborhood council funds for bags, etc. We will propose this opportunity during the General Meeting to gauge interest and determine a date/location for cleanup.

5. Preparations for May 8th General Meeting : FreeCycles, 5:30 – 7:30- pm

- a. Logistics: postcards, signs, facilitation, minutes, refreshments
 - i. Mary will handle Postcards, Jonathan will facilitate, Jeff will do minutes if present but Britt can back-up in case
 - ii. It was agreed that Michael Dean will explore other options for food. He and Mary will decide if we will provide other options, based upon price, qualifications of caterer, and menu.
- b. Agenda Items
 - i. 5th/6th Street Update & Future of Higgins Street lanes between Broadway and Brooks
 - ii. Tree Plan
 - iii. Cleanup Day
 - iv. Announcement of Fall General meeting: Wednesday, September 20th at Silver Park Pavilion at 5:30pm

6. Office of Neighborhoods Report – Jane Kelly, Neighborhood Coordinator

At 6pm on May 18th there will be a traffic circle gathering to talk about the responsibilities. There are currently 3 traffic circles in the Riverfront Neighborhoods that have not been adopted.

Jane wanted to gauge the interest of joining Riverfront with Heart Missoula Leadership teams because the Heart of Missoula committee is harder to keep active however the general response from our team is that we are currently not in a comfortable position to get up to speed on another neighborhood's developments and would rather not join.

7. New Business

None

8. Public comment on non-agenda items

Michael mentioned that it would be nice to approach the International School regarding hosting the Winter Farmers Market until the construction of their school begins.

9. Announcements

None

Minutes submitted by Jeff Rice

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