

**Greenough Park Advisory Committee  
Minutes, January 5, 2009**

**Present:** Susie Spindler, Cyndy Braun, Kathleen Kennedy, John Horrell, Matthew Koehler. Also present: Morgan Valliant, City of Missoula Parks and Recreation.  
**Absent:** John Pierce, Barbara Stanley.

**Minutes:** The revised Minutes of the November 2, 2008, meeting were approved.

**Public Comment:** None; however, the group discussed and affirmed the value of public comment.

**Bridge Funding Ideas:** Kathleen presented the Fish, Wildlife & Parks Trails Program. There are two grant levels with 80/20 coverage/match, one under \$15,000 and one from \$15,000-30,000. Kathleen suggested that we include other items besides the bridge (estimated at \$18,000), e.g. interpretive trails, entryway signs, a 3-panel kiosk. The deadline for proposal submission is July 1, with interim deadlines starting in May. Susie suggested using safety concerns to promote the bridge.

Kathleen also discussed a DEQ mini-grant for \$1,500; suggestions were made to partner with the Montana Natural History Center or WEN (Watershed Education Network). Matthew will take the FWP grant material and contact the Natural History Center and WEN. He will also contact Tim Bechtold from Friends of Missoula Parks.

Susie suggested targeting dog-walkers as potential donors for money, perhaps to be used as seed money to get a grant. Morgan suggested that Parks & Rec can help in that effort. Susie will investigate other larger grant opportunities for urban parks to fund items such as restrooms and bridges.

**Park Vision Discussion:** Susie distributed and discussed a sample planning document to help with defining GPAC. By next meeting each person will write 2 or 3 suggestions per section.

**Other Agenda Items:** Morgan reported that the City of Missoula is developing a new Website that will include a Conservation Lands Management Plan and comprehensive plan and goals/visions for managing lands. Morgan would like to include info like the GPAC brochure (still in progress); Kathleen will work with him to develop a trail map. Morgan also suggested a GPAC member be on the Citizens Working Group; this would entail monthly meetings, proofing documents, and attending hearings/public meetings from February through July.

The next meeting is scheduled for 4:00 p.m., Monday, Feb. 2, 2009, in the City Council Chambers Conference Room on Pine Street.

Submitted by Cyndy Braun