

Rose Park Neighborhood Council

Leadership Team Meeting Minutes

RPNC LT Meeting – September 15, 2014 - 5:30 p.m. – 606 Woodford

In Attendance: Gwen Jones (RPNC LT), Clare Wood (RPNC LT), Juliane Devlin (RPNC LT), Michael Painter (RPNC LT), Jane Kelly (Neighborhood Coordinator), Charlie (RPNC LT Mascot).

A meeting of the Rose Park Neighborhood Council Leadership Team was held on Monday, September 15th, at 606 Woodford, starting at shortly after 5:30 p.m.

Rose Park NC Leadership Team Meeting (08/20) Minutes - Minutes approved.

Rose Park Neighborhood Projects Update

Gwen Jones led a discussion of the status of some neighborhood projects which the Neighborhood Council & Leadership Team has supported and/or is working on:

- Small Neighborhood Grant – Trees @ Sunset Memorial Park
No trees planted yet (per Juliane Devlin). Painter to contact Helen & Brian Jenkins to request an update / time frame on the project & ask if there's anything the neighborhood council can do to assist. Some discussion about "Sunset Memorial Park" name & specific location of trees. Juliane mentioned that one of her neighbors has a tree business and may be interested in working on the project.
- Community Garden @ "Triangle Park" (Ivy & Marshall)
Gwen Jones & Painter attended the Neighborhood Grant Workshop put on by the Office of Neighborhoods (thanks to Jane Kelly for that training & information provided) – also in attendance interested in supporting the community garden project in the Rose Park Neighborhood were Gwen Hoppe (former Rose Park NC resident, currently on the leadership team of Riverfront NC) & Linda Sliter (with Garden City Harvest). The Office of Neighborhoods provided RPNC with copies of grant applications previously submitted for community gardens.
Genevieve Jessop Marsh (Garden City Harvest) has scheduled a meeting to discuss & develop a work plan for completion of a large neighborhood grant application for the community garden. That meeting is scheduled for Monday, Sep.22.2104, at 12:00 p.m. (noon) at Buttercup Market (1221 Helen).

Community Forum Report

Clare Wood represented RPNC at the August Community Forum meeting and gave a report on that meeting. Two presentations were given:

- Dan Lautzenheiser (with DJ & A Engineering) gave a presentation on work on the Missoula to Lolo Trail & Reserve Street Crossing.
- Jane Kelly & Michelle Cares (Community Forum representative from Franklin-to-the-Fort NC) discussed the current process of updating Missoula's Growth Policy. "Listening Sessions" have been held by the City's Development Services staff & volunteers for different growth policy focus groups are still being sought.

The other project discussed at Community Forum was the upcoming Sunday Streets event, scheduled for Sunday, Sep.21.2014. Jane has not yet heard where the Office of Neighborhoods' table will be located, but

expects to be back in the vicinity of Higgins & S 3rd St.

The next Community Forum meeting is scheduled for Thursday, Sep.25.2014 – Clare will be representing RPNC.

RPNC General Meeting – September

Gwen Jones led a discussion about specifics of Wednesday night's meeting:

- The agenda has been posted on the city's website. Postcards were sent out & the city council representatives invited. (As of Monday's meeting, Painter had heard back from Alex Taft – who sends his regrets, as he is out of town & Emily Bentley – who will be in attendance.)
- Painter has copy of park use permit & will bring same to meeting.
- Weather forecast looks good – Painter will pick up awnings from Office of Neighborhood on Wednesday. Attendees have been asked to bring their own chairs and/or blankets.
- Office of Neighborhoods has provided:
 - Sign-in sheets, name tags, pencils & markers for same;
 - Roll of tickets to be used for ice cream (we should count out 100 prior to start of meeting);
 - Large map of Rose Park neighborhood (Painter to bring flip chart stand for displaying map)
- Gwen has completed contract with Big Dipper – their truck should be in place & ready to serve by 6:30 p.m..
- Painter will appropriate picnic tables (if available) to use as sign-in station (under 1 awning). Leadership Team to staff table during first half-hour or so to encourage attendees to sign up to receive City Digest and RPNC notifications & project information.
- Painter to contact Jim Sadler to (a) confirm he is still planning on attending and (b) ask for any specific introductory information or curriculum vitae he would like us to mention prior to his presentation on Rose Park's gardens & the Rose Society's work. (John Pilsworth was going to research the history of the park – we will get an update from JP when he is back in town.)
- Gwen & John will coordinate running of the neighborhood council meeting. It was generally agreed that a sound system was not necessary. (Painter suggests having Juliane repeat any / all announcements in song – Ms. Devlin demurs and officially designates Painter as “incorrigible” which he either appreciates or resents, depending on what it means.)
- Discussion about making water available – Jane suggests making use of the “Hit The Tap” trailer. Gwen will contact Mountain Water to invite them to assist / participate.
- Painter to bring 50 copies or so of our “Neighborhood Resources” contact list & hand one out to anyone interested at the meeting.

New Business / Additional Neighborhood Projects

Additional discussion about other projects:

- Book Houses: Clare suggested RPNC look into supporting some “Book Houses” in the neighborhood. There is one at a residence on Edith & other possible locales suggested were churches and/or parks in the neighborhood. Clare will contact Missoula Public Library to ensure that they don't object to neighborhood book houses as possibly interfering with the library's work or mission.
Jane provided a copy of city council resolution regarding Neighborhood Council funds (Resolution #7581) which may in some instances allow for expenditure of neighborhood funds for such a project. Further discussion to follow at future LT meetings.

- Parks & Trails Bond Issue: Discussion about inviting a representative from the group supporting the Missoula County bond to give a presentation to the LT at the next meeting. The bond issue goes to the voters on Tuesday, Nov.04.2014. Gwen will contact “Citizens for Parks and Trails” to discuss their interest in presenting at the next LT meeting.
- Regular/Next Leadership Team Meeting(s): Discussion about how often to schedule LT meetings & deciding on a regular venue for same. Jane suggested use of one of the conference rooms in the City Council chambers building (Jack Reidy Conference Room; MRA Conference Room). Next LT meeting tentatively set for Tuesday, Oct.14.2014, from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the Jack Reidy Conference Room (if available). Jane will reserve the room if it is available. (Note: Per e-mail from Jane on 09/16, the room was / is available and she has reserved it for us.)

Public Comment – None.

Summary / Minutes submitted by Painter.