

Southgate Triangle Neighborhood Council Leadership Team Meeting Minutes

Date: May 13, 2015

Time: 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Location: Southgate Mall Community Room
2901 Brooks Street
Missoula, MT 59801

Leadership Team Members Present: Bob Martin, Hans Christiansen, Carole Ulrigg, Carrie Schreiber, Deke Tidwell

Others Present: Jane Kelly, Neighborhood Coordinator, Patrick Weasel Head, City Council, Tod Gass, Missoula Redevelopment Agency, Cory Davis, Territorial Landworks, Inc.

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1. Burlington/Garfield Sidewalk Project – Tod Gass, Missoula Redevelopment Agency and Cory Davis, Territorial Landworks, Inc. – Missing sidewalks are defined as blight and is something that is going to be addressed in the Urban Renewal District. Gass and Davis are here to introduce the project to the neighborhoods. There will be an open house June 11 in the Community Room from 6:30 – 8:00 pm. Surveys have been completed. Coordination with public works and MRA is now happening.
 2. Review and Discuss Questions Collected at the General Meeting – Patrick Weasel Head, City Council Member - Jane suggested a moderator for the next general meeting to help coordinate input from the general public. We received questions and answers from Patrick Weasel Head in email format. Generally, if citizens have concerns, there is a place to file complaints on the City Council Website. The alderman encouraged the public to use it. Questions and answers from Patrick Weasel Head:

When will the Bellevue project be completed? I assume this is the sidewalk project. As I understand, there are a couple of items such as mailboxes that need to be placed, and the landscaping needs to be finished. Those punch list items should be completed soon. If this question refers to something else, let me know.

On the 35th and 36th street intersection, there was concern that handicapped accessibility might be compromised. The handicap accessibility will be improved once the project is finished. The sidewalks will meet or exceed ADA standards.

What is the plan of completing Charlott Street and how does one

decide when it gets done? Are there more details on this question? As far as I can find, there is no plan for any project on Charlott.

34th to 35th on Paxton needs resurfacing. As far as I have been able to find, there are no current plans to resurface Paxson. The City's new pavement management system will help us to rank streets based on the condition of the asphalt and traffic volume. If there are potholes, etc. those can be reported online at our website.

Dump trucks driving on 34th and 35th street are eroding the street. What can be done about that? During construction projects in the area, dump trucks had to use those streets. Once the projects have been completed, this will no longer be an issue.

What is happening to the cost of lawyers for the water takeover? Some people are hearing 2---3 million, and some are saying 6---7 million, community members would like to know and how it will impact them. As of May 11, the City's expenses are \$2.3 million. We will also be responsible to cover Carlyle's legal expenses.

Are current well users in the city going to be required to be on city water? Will it be at their own expense? I will check into this.

3. Parks and Rec Needs 1-2 People to Plan the Bike Skills Area – Jane Kelly, Neighborhood Coordinator - "I Ride for Tanner" Mother has been doing fund raising to get bike skills parks done. There would be three areas. A county park in the Upper Rattlesnake, Fort Missoula Regional and the last is Bellevue Park. Parks will bring money to the table. The International Mountain Bike Association is involved. Carrie and Bob Volunteered to be part of the committee to help with the Bellevue area.
4. Office of Neighborhoods Report – Jane Kelly, Neighborhood Coordinator – The Bus Tour Committee is considering increasing the number of tour sections to three from two. Jane still needs a member of the leadership team to report to city council after our general meetings. Traffic circles - Jane needs help to approach home owners near traffic circles to see if they would be willing to "adopt them". Jane has free 100' hose to give away to new adopters of the traffic circles. The National Wildlife Federation is working towards making Missoula the first Certified Wildlife Habitat in Montana.
5. Approval of Minutes – Deke Tidwell – the minutes were unanimously approved.

6. Treasurer's Report – Carrie Schreiber – Bob would like to see dates on the treasurer's report. Jane will see if a date can be added. Approval of the report will be tabled until the next meeting.
7. Can We Buy a Picnic Table? – Hans Christiansen - Jane is going to look into the budget to see about buying a picnic table for Boyd Park. Carol moves to ask Jane to determine if we can get one, then we will. Bob seconds. Motion passes unanimously. Plan B would be to apply for a small neighborhood grant.
8. Community Forum Report – Bob Martin gave an update on the Community Forum activities. Hans made a motion to approve the report. Carrie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
9. New Business - Hans wants to discuss the community garden. The community member who was spearheading negotiations with Garden City Harvest is having trouble because of the water issue. She may be out. Jane will follow up with GCH and update the leadership team on the status.
Carol wants to redo neighborhood priorities. Jane said that needs to happen at a general meeting where community members can help establish priorities. That will happen in October.
10. Public comment on non-agenda items - None
11. Announcements – Next Leadership Team Meeting June 10, 2015

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What is important to the Southgate Triangle Neighbors?

1. Bellevue Park—9 Votes
2. City owned water system—8 Votes
3. Maintenance Fees—8 Votes
4. Safe Routes to School—7 Votes
5. South Crossing—6 Votes
6. Urban Deer—4 Votes
7. Community Garden—4 Votes