

Franklin to the Fort Neighborhood Council Leadership Team Meeting Minutes

Date: Tuesday, Jan. 26, 2016

Time: 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Location: Rosauers
2350 S. Reserve St.
Missoula, MT 59801

Leadership Team Attendees: *Tim Streets, Matt Loomis, Brad May, Jake Riggs*

Others Present: *Corena Maurer, Office of Neighborhoods; Connie Lewis, and Andrea Dahl, neighborhood residents.*

- 1) Planning for the General Meeting, Monday, Feb. 29, 2016, 6-8 PM, at Franklin School, in the gymnasium.
 - a) Will serve pizza, soda, and water. Paid from LT budget. Jake will arrange.
 - b) Will do post card mailing. Brad will draft. Corena will send him a template. Corena will contact “The Directory” or “Town Mailer.” Corena will send Brad a P.O. for the county print shop.
 - c) Jake will place sandwich signs throughout the neighborhood.
 - d) Will do election to fill vacancies on Leadership Team.
 - e) Will ask city council members Marilyn Marler and Michelle Cares to speak and answer questions, especially regarding the Russell Street project. Corena will make the contact.
 - f) Will ask MCPS Superintendent Mark Thane, or the Franklin School principal, to provide an update on the replacement of Franklin School. Matt will make the contact.
 - g) Will present a progress report on other items of neighborhood concern:
 - Pocket park
 - Franklin Park, including National Wildlife Federation (NWF) certification.
 - Traffic signal box art
 - Street light installed
 - Stopped the zoning variance issue on Catlin Street.

- 2) Discuss Neighborhood Council name change. Because of proposed boundary changes, F2F will no longer have any territory west of Reserve. Will ask for suggestions for Neighborhood Council name change at the general meeting.

The process will require by-laws changes, and a vote at a later general meeting, maybe this summer.

- 3) Vacancies on Leadership Team. An interested person has contacted Matt.

- 4) NWF habitat certification for Franklin Park. The Parks Department is still working on design of a universal sign that can be used in any park. They want to include interpretive information.
- 5) Neighborhood tree committee. The city is developing a plan to replace urban trees in all neighborhoods. A census is being completed. Each Neighborhood Council is being asked to contribute suggestions on type, locations, etc. Patricia Hogan and Dennis Johnson are representing F2F.
- 6) Community Forum report. None; the last CF meeting in December was social, rather than business, in nature.
- 7) Office of Neighborhoods report from Corena.
 - Nominations for outstanding neighborhood volunteer are due Feb. 3. Individuals or groups may be nominated. Nomination form is online.
 - Stephanie Kolb, a work study student for the Office of Neighborhoods, will be available to help in the Office if Corena is out.
- 8) New business. Matt reported that the city council has concerns about a town home development at Spurgeon & Eaton. Also that residents have expressed concern about a proposed Verizon cell phone tower at Reserve & Mount. He also mentioned that sometime in the past the city has given consideration to conversion of 5th and 6th Streets between Russell and Orange to two-way traffic.
- 9) Public comment on non-agenda items. Andrea said that she works with the Summit Independent Living Center, and that she has an interest in monitoring accessibility issues.

Meeting adjourned ca. 7:30 PM.

Minutes submitted by Brad May