

Mountain View Neighborhood Association – March 18, 2019

Notes taken by Sarah Spernak (acting secretary in Carolyn's absence).

In attendance:

Board members: Carol, Beth, Sarah, Brian – Carolyn was absent.

Sub-committee members: Michael W, Pat M, David G

Community members: John Bennett and another community member (I didn't get her name)

Start at 6pm – Beth

No minutes from Feb b/c meeting was cancelled due to snow; introductions of people at meeting.

No reports as all were sent via email to board members before meeting.

First item of business – Improvements at neighborhood park

Summary: the letter regarding Providence Park from community member who wants Parks and Rec to do improvements to Providence Park. He wants MVNA to lobby on his behalf for improvements, not sure how to respond but Beth agrees a response is appropriate. Pat weighed in a bit on state of Providence Park and that the neighborhood HOA isn't responsible for the park; David says park dept only allows events in certain parks – nobody had ever asked to do events in a neighborhood park. Sarah suggests sending an official letter to Parks and Rec detailing concerns and asking what we should do regarding; John B asked what the problems are and agrees that it is a basic park; Pat weighs in that we should have more seating areas; Pat does say that the busy street could be a deterrent.

Action: Sarah will draft letter/ follow up with Parks and Rec.

Second item of business – roundabout on Butler Market and 27th / widening of 27th

Summary: The council discussion scheduled for March 20 on this issue was tabled for now with no new date for the discussion rescheduled at this time. Many people shared input on the roundabout and Beth says the big thing is to continue opposing the widening of 27th and encourage the city to slow traffic down; Beth summarized what she has heard (five lanes, etc. from Butler Market to Neff on 27th) and David agreed that is what he has heard as well. A community member (?) asks about the digging of the waterlines and fiberoptic cables, she lived on Hanby at the time, and reported that Hanby road is not correctly done on the city maps.

Conversation then moved in different direction: Her concerns, living in the neighborhood between Costco and St. Charles, is that there is not enough parking and traffic is too fast. Specifically concerned about new multi-unit buildings where parking will now be on the street (because of the new townhouses on Paula and then also the issues of the parking at the Pilot Butte park). And she has concerns about The Alexander's parking issues (went and looked at their parking plan); in sum, the parking is problematic.

Action: David volunteers to start the process of petitioning the city to kick up some noise about parking.

Follow up questions – Shall we include that petition in the annual meeting?

Third item of business – annual meeting on May 13

- Venue – St. Francis school for free
- Time – start at 5:30 pm for table walk arounds and official meeting starts at 6pm and runs till 8 pm.
- Community Tables – inviting Parks and Rec (Sarah), St. Charles (Beth), Dark Skies group (Sarah), city transportation/CTAC (David), Neighbor Impact (Michael), please slow down campaign (Pat), fireworks (Michael), non-profits through fire department and a veteran housing non-profit (Brian); Michael – Bend Food Project where food is donated to Giving Plate; Commute Options (Carol)

- Table addition - Michael says he has a lawn sign prototype and wants to make 25ish for our meeting and people can take them and survey will allow people to get signs later; he also has a neighborhood petition for people to sign and that petition would be separated by smaller neighborhoods. The idea is to mail a copy of the petition to the offending neighbor in the neighborhoods. His hope is that then the offender would get that petition and realize neighbors are unhappy and change behavior. Michael says it must be grassroots versus city-led, in regards to making change.
- Meeting agenda:
 - Beth says we have talked about not having a guest speaker, but we can ask Barb C is she wants to come and give a few remarks; City wants to do a training of new land use BUT Beth says let's do that another time so it doesn't detract from meeting.
 - Presentations: Transportation plan/ expansion of 27th, fireworks, please slow down campaign
 - Ideas – Beth says we could have small groups – listening groups – where we come up with a work plan for next year; Pat suggests handing out an information sheet with the GIST of each issue and explaining the meeting format and then we can break out into informational tables for facilitators to listen to concerns, and community member(?) weighs in that having an informational GIST on the postcard
 - Carol asks about logistics – what will listening table set up be like? We need to find out – Ask Carolyn to get the set-up info.
 - 30 minutes for listening sessions and some time to share out.
- Board elections – Carolyn is leaving. Need to recruit and we should have some roles designated; Beth wants 7-9.
- Follow-up email/survey – get people to do one a week – a month later to get people to weigh in on next steps
- FOOD – pizza and cookies and beverages
- Mailing/Advertising –
 - Carolyn has contacted a person to do the postcards and we will put the topics on the postcards. Last year we sent over 5,000 postcards – that will cost money.
 - Posters – let's get some up this year.
 - Michael suggests texting reminders.
 - Where's our welcome to our neighborhood signs? We could post signs on them.
- PRIZES – gift certificates for prize drawings: Jackson's Corner, Jakes, Worthy, etc... Everyone should update on google doc where they are willing to go ask
- Pat – Slow Down; It's Our Town update: sticker campaign and video update. She has worked it so that the prototypes for the sticker and posters will be ready by May 10. She would like to have them on a power point slides for our presentation. She suggests people could vote for favorites and posters.
- David – gets clarification on format. Sarah suggests having an MVNA table at the pre-tables, too.
- Michael wants to have signs printed and requests the board approve \$ for printing some for the meeting.
- Carol motions to print 25 signs for the annual meeting, Beth seconds the motion. And the signs will cost \$2.60.
- Beth asks if we want to have a facilitator. Michael says another meeting to plan that? Sarah asks if Emily Thompkins costs. Sarah suggests asking her.

Final conversations before adjourning:

David asks about the senate bill regarding cities having the ability to set their own speeds in residential areas. Beth updates that the city supports that bill and we should keep our eyes on that. And, she suggests that we keep our eyes on the fireworks bills.

Michael adds info about the fireworks bill. Beth reminds us that the city's new draft of goals does include increasing enforcement of illegal fireworks. Michael reminds us that see to cite is the problem.

Meeting adjourned at 7:17 pm.

Next meeting is April 22 and Janet will host us.