



THE INTER-NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (INC) MEETING OF BOZEMAN, MONTANA  
DRAFT MEETING MINUTES  
**Thursday, Feb. 08, 2018**

**Attending:** Jennifer Rockne (SCAN), Kathy Powell (UNA), Gail MacMillan (BPNA), Ginny Cowan (BCNA), Suzanne Held (NENA), Joe Genovese (NHVN), Jono McKinney (MarLin), Maddy Weisz, Bob Wall (SENA)

**QUORUM Present**

Tanya Andreasen (Neighborhood Coordinator)

Captain Andy Knight, Bozeman Police Dept.

Commissioner Terry Cunningham

Dick Canfield - Sees a number of neighborhood issues that have been of interest to all of us. Active in Bozeman Preservation Advocacy Group (BPAG). SCAN has several historic districts embedded in it...

Watched our work on ADU's and STR's...I so appreciate that you folks engaged so thoroughly in that. Represented neighborhoods. Strong voice for neighborhoods. Message is simple – thank you.

Upon review of 1-11-18, minutes approved as submitted. Jono moves, Gail seconds. Addition of the comment that upon further review of website, the notifications do work

**4:36 Jennifer called meeting to order**

Public comment - Dick Canfield, representative of SCAN.

**4:35 Capt. Andy Knight – BPD Updates**

Detective work – one case was a stabbing on Warbler Way. Behind the scenes, the detectives are working hard to find who did that. Probable cause statement reads like a story. Suspect was tracked down. New officer went the wrong way going down a side street and saw suspect and they were able to use the footage from his car.

Person arrested.

Property thefts – like unlocked guns, cars, etc. Keep valuables out of cars. Lock your doors – home and car. Elder abuse case – neighbors can report suspicion of elder abuse. Please be aware of neighbors.

A lot of the things they investigate – do get solved.

Snow removal: It has been a snowy year! Each year we hire a contractor to clear walks and even he is having a hard time keeping up with complaints. Please do let us know – we will go out and flag it. Volunteers for education – information to neighbors about snow clearing.

One of the detectives from the Dept. is one of the people who will be honored as part of the “20 under 40” awards on Feb. 28.

Volunteer Ed Kibbey was recently given a Rotary award.

Currently have a part-time short term animal control officer. Interviewing for the position next week - had 73 applications. Will interview 6.

Kathy asked about the hiring of a second code compliance officer. City will be working those into the process reconciling with the budget and will submit to the City Commission. Talked about compliance for the upcoming changes for short term rentals. Enforcement of people selling without a license may be more proactive, not just waiting for people to complain.

A lot of people have registered their properties. Reports that a number of people have decided not to rent out properties because of the cost of licensing.

#### **4:56 Commissioner Terry Cunningham**

Introduction - new liaison from the City Commission. Was very interested in serving.

Jennifer discussed an INC rep / steering committee retreat. Replaces the April 12 meeting - same night from 4-8 at the Beall Center. Dinner will be provided. Try to strategize and do better goal setting, try to strengthen communications with neighborhoods. Carson Taylor will facilitate.

#### **5:05 Working Group Updates**

Noise ordinance group - no updates

Branding group - Ginny worked on some copy for a trim-fold brochure that would have an insert that is specific to each neighborhood. Will get reviews by different people in the City. Will hopefully have something to review by the next meeting if not earlier. Neighborhoods can submit ideas - Tanya thought we should design the way we want it, then we can print what we can afford.

Jono asked about what different neighborhoods might be hoping to get out of the branding effort. Talked about differentiating between Homeowner Associations and neighborhoods, increasing awareness within and around neighborhoods, and helping with the effort to expand the neighborhood program.

Renter and landlord outreach group - might also put together a brochure to help communicate with rental and homeowner managements groups and maybe via them to renters and homeowners. Might include an insert specific to renters.

Short term rentals and ADUs group - licensing went into effect Dec. 1. 60 day period for people with existing rentals in districts that no longer allowed rentals could apply to be grandfathered into the program. That ended the last day of Jan.

Full ordinance is in effect now. People need to apply, get registered, and use that registration number in their posting and advertising.

ADU work in progress. Issues are being considered by the Commission now, in particular about height restrictions on ADUs.

### **5:23 FYI items from Tanya**

NCOD RFC is now out.

Growth policy RFC will be released in the spring (within the next month).

Clean Up Bozeman being planned by Beautification Advisory Board. People can request cleanup kits at any time. There will be an event on Apr. 21 in conjunction with Earth Day. More info will be available on registration will be available next month.

Discussions have been taking place regarding the term “neighborhood association” and maybe doing a name change. Tanya discussed with Greg Sullivan, City Attorney. He thinks that each neighborhood can choose to not use the term association, but your by-laws need to reflect that.

Missoula uses the term “neighborhood council” - the City actually defines the boundaries.

Can make that a retreat topic.

Knolls and Midtown are moving ahead. Midtown is having a hard time getting up enough energy to get everything done to form.

Streets Dept. trying to improve communications about snow removal efforts - seem to be making some good progress. They are also going to use the stuffers in utility bills to communicate city-wide about different issues. UNA has been working on a couple of ways to help the communication effort - when the City was ready to plow on Willson from College to Kagy, they put up signs, and UNA helped get the word out. They were very successful with getting cars moved.

Also trying to get people to report cars that are left without moving for a long time. Working to communicate with sororities and fraternities about issues.

### **5:23 State of Neighborhoods**

The presentation will be at the Commission meeting on Mar. 26.

Reviewed priorities from 2017.

First item - rental property owners & landlords. Had success and significant input to and impact on the process.

Maybe we could request that we receive updates on the impact of the program and how it is working. Impact of ADUs / short term rentals on affordable housing, etc.

Continue support for Good Neighbor Committee

2. Traffic & public transportation.

Maybe add something about distributing info about multi-modal options.

Add something about improving bike lanes / paths.

Monitoring the Transportation Master Plan and implementation - keep the issue high priority.

Growth - talked about whether we should make any statement about the Law & Justice Center. This might be a pretty polarizing issue.

People can submit ideas to Tanya - we will revisit at next meeting.

6:15 No objections – meeting adjourned.

Minutes recorded by Bob Wall.