



THE INTER-NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL (INC) MEETING OF BOZEMAN, MONTANA  
DRAFT MEETING MINUTES  
**Thursday, Apr. 11, 2019**

**Attending:** Jennifer Rockne (SCAN), Kathy Powell (UNA), Lisa Prugh (Cooper Park), David Steinmuller (The Knolls), Suzanne Held (NENA), Rob Edwards (BCNA), Linda Semones (BPNA), Laurie McKinney (MarLin), Emily Talago (Midtown), Lilly Stirling (Flanders Creek), Bob Wall (SENA)

Tanya Andreasen (Neighborhood Coordinator)  
Commissioner Terry Cunningham  
Britt Fontenot (City Economic Development Director)  
Officer Marek Ziegler (Bozeman Police Department)

**4:34 Jennifer convened the meeting**  
Commission room in City Hall.

No public comment.

Reviewed Mar. minutes and retreat minutes. Spelling corrections for retreat: David moved to approve the minutes. Lisa seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**4:35 Officer Ziegler - Police Updates**

Missouri River Drug Task force will be presenting to NAs soon.

In the middle of the Citizen's Police Academy.

April is Distracted Driving Month. Cell phones will be a major component of a media campaign.

Question from Lisa about parking enforcement for 2-hour parking that was added around Cooper Park. Officer pointed out that the new system that parking enforcement is using does not issue paper tickets – they are mailed to address associated with driver's license.

Question about distracted driving citations – that is a primary offense. Driver can be pulled over for it (unlike driving without a seatbelt fastened – a secondary offense).

Discussion about the new Logjam event center on N. 7<sup>th</sup> – addressed public comments during hearing deferring several concerns (noise, public nuisance, etc.) to police dept.

Tanya has been working with Marek on creating community meetup spots – safe places for exchanging internet purchases, custody exchanges, sensitive conversations. Dedicated parking spots with video surveillance. Can find them on Google Maps. Will spread the word through Haven, Help Center, Resident Life, other channels.

#### **4:52 Round Robin Neighborhood Updates**

**BPNA** – Linda attended seminar by Mark Fenton on Walkable Cities. Did a walking audit of sections of downtown area. Found that Church Street, with its flat parks and sidewalks, has a higher incidence of speeding. Will use some of those findings in discussions with pedestrian.

Parking issues with events – SLAM/Sweet Pea, Music on Main, Farmer’s Market. Idea of using busses to get people in and out without bringing cars.

**NENA** – leadership, led by Amy Kelly Hoitsma, submitted recommendations on developments in the area. Trying to meet with Andy Halloran on developments, but not making progress. Spring meeting May 19.

**SENA** – trying to arrange a date in May for annual meeting.

**Cooper Park** – working on reservation with Willson School first week of June for annual meeting. Hoping for someone to give an update on the future of the SoBo building that burned.

Lisa went to downtown Bozeman parking presentation at the Rialto last week. Recommendations for format of future discussions / research will go to City Commission next Monday.

Lisa also went to Walkable Cities seminar. Discussion about complete streets ideas that Mark Fenton presented, and the themes that came from the community plan. Some of the participants in the walking tour were sight impaired, and Lisa found it surprising how many obstacles there were for them.

Lisa attended Parking Commission meeting – felt that the application for a residential parking district, which followed the guidelines that were given, might have been given insufficient attention.

**UNA** – Parking Commission has been working on a draft on parking policy. Were tasked with evaluating new parking districts north and south of Main. Meeting coming up Apr.

30 – overview of new proposed parking policy. Will affect SCAN, Cooper Park, NENA, Bogert Park neighborhoods. Draft will be available soon for review and comment.

Spring meeting Apr. 23. Mark Carpenter (weeds, walks, wacky noise), Jessica Alstrom (water conservation, drought tolerant plants, showerhead exchange), Kristin Blackler (MSU Sustainability – parking, traffic calming on Grant) will speak. Can bring up to two shower heads to meeting and exchange them there.

Some neighbors are concerned about intersection at 4<sup>th</sup> and Arthur – talked to people with streets to get a new stop sign, some shrubbery pruning to improve safety.

Might be able to get some new trees from Forestry. They will also be planning to plant 25 trees in Langohr Park on Apr. 26 to celebrate 25 years that Bozeman has been part of Tree City USA program. Lisa will forward info to Rob.

MSU project will involve K Club (student Kiwanis club).

**Midtown** – Apr. 29 the association should be meeting to adopt bylaws and get formally organized. Several issues – recommendation for Midtown to be all in or all out of NCOD brought up questions about the boundaries of the NCOD and TIF district. Hoping to improve interactions with City, developers. Trying to find and develop tools to get better access to information and to share opinions.

Asked if neighborhood associations might be able to share bylaws to help Midtown form their bylaws. Trying to decide on boundaries – NENA west to 11<sup>th</sup>, or farther? North edge might be Peach or Oak.

**SCAN** – annual meeting was Apr. 10 at Story Mansion. Rained last night, so only 14 people attended. Jennifer planning to ask on NextDoor what would help get more people to attend. Mayor Andrus, Andrea Surratt, and Chief Crawford attended. Discussed strategic plan and other long-range plans.

**Flanders Creek** – Need to schedule a meeting. New high school is a significant issue for the neighborhood.

**The Knolls** – David attended first meeting of newly formed homeowners' association this morning. One issue is speeding on Knolls Drive.

**MarLin** – Heeb's opening was a success. Still working on crosswalk, turning lanes. Cleanup Day next Saturday coincides with Earth Day.

**BCNA** – things are quiet except for snow melt. Annual meeting scheduled May 1. Still working on agenda items. Problems getting participation in steering committee in particular.

Tanya discussed the community development map viewer app from the City web site – a lot of work being done to improve that app to get much more info about projects online.

Gallagator Trail will be closed and some section will be rerouted for parts of the summer. Press release coming out imminently. Planning to use water from the creek rather than treated water to water the Cemetary. Might also close a trail on Pete's Hill.

#### **5:40 Commissioner Cunningham's update**

In this year's budget, Commission approved \$8000, plus some money from the Police Dept., will be used to fund a campaign about driving issues in the city.

Bogert Park has been reopened, but pavilion is still closed. Structure being evaluated.

NCOD update heard at Monday night's Commission meeting. One new requirement forces developers to have public meeting with neighbors.

Downtown update will be heard Apr. 15. Contact [agenda@bozeman.net](mailto:agenda@bozeman.net) to address comments to all commissioners. Also speak at meeting during public comment to reinforce comments.

Cottonwood and Ida project has been reviewed, but will have a second review regarding TIF funding.

Trying to significantly improve access to City documents.

Lisa asked about SoBo. Insurance company investigator searching for causes of fire – 60 day process.

#### **5:55 Tanya – neighborhood update**

Cleanup Day Apr. 20 – hosted by Bozeman Beautification Board. Preregister at Bozeman.net.

Kickoff at the Bozeman Library from 8-noon on Saturday. That afternoon there is an Earth Day event at the Library.

Mayor's Water Conservation challenge during April. More details are available at Bozemanwater.com, and there is also a national website (linked from city web site).

Curb your Crap program – spring moveout season coming up. MSU Dean of Students reimbursing Solid Waste Dept. to allow students to obtain coupons (by entering Cat Card #, name, address, and date when they are leaving their abandoned items on the curb) to get free pickup of unwanted items from the curb at their residences. Limited to month of May. Non-students can get a pickup for \$10.

MSU is also trying to set up a swap around the end of the school year.

Tree cost share applications available. For boulevard trees. \$75 cost, several species available.

Business consultation at Bozeman Public Library. Tuesday afternoons 1-3

Tanya is Town & Gown liaison. They are working on a Community Engagement and Transformational Scholarship. This summer, MSU is offering a 400 level course on Community Engagement and Transformation Democracy.

Streets – sweeping schedule coming soon. Durston, Oak, Highland, and Kagy will be chip sealed by MDT this summer. Highland and College trails will be getting maintenance. S. Tracy and N. Tracy will be repaired.

MDT will be working on the frontage road to the airport until fall. Anyone can sign up for email updates on this project, and on the Rouse project that will also be happening this summer.

The Streets Department is working to get the word out about street closures and construction.

Traffic calming – anyone interested should communicate with Danny Hess and Tanya. They are about to submit a grant application to AARP to apply for interim traffic calming supplies. These are devices with a 2-5 year lifespan. The installations are intended to expand on short-term projects and collect more data.

Community plan updates are very active. There is still time for public input. The Planning Board meets next Tuesday at 7:00 PM to establish goals that are part of the seven themes that have been identified and to create metrics for evaluation.

Suzanne volunteered to help track work on the NCOD on behalf of the INC.

Mediation and conflict resolution training should be made available to neighborhood leaders soon.

6:18 No objections – meeting adjourned.

Minutes recorded by Bob Wall.