

Missoula City Council Parks and Conservation Committee Minutes

August 21, 2019

8:15 AM

City Council Chambers

140 W. Pine Street, Missoula , MT

Members present: Heather Harp, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, Heidi West
Members absent: Stacie Anderson, Julie Armstrong, Mirtha Becerra, Michelle Cares, John DiBari, Jordan Hess, Jesse Ramos, Bryan von Lossberg
Others present: Corena Maurer, Jolanda Cummings, Ellis Walker-Keleher, Jeremy Flesch

1. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1.1 Roll Call

1.2 Approval of the Minutes

Tabled.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

3. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

3.1 Appointment to the Energy & Climate Team

Ellis Walker-Keleher introduced himself.

Mr. Walker-Keleher feels he provides a unique insight, being a student in the school system.

Mr. Walker-Keleher states he runs the Zero Emission Lawn Care service.

He would like to switch the city's lawn care service to 100% electric.

Mr. Walker-Keleher discussed a science fair where he and his partner had varying opinions.

He believes climate change is the biggest crisis for humanity.

Mr. Walker-Keleher will gladly miss school to attend meetings.

Ms. Jones discussed the possibility for a student liaison position on the Energy and Climate Team.

Jeremy Flesch introduced himself.

Mr. Flesch states he loves Missoula and he feels climate change is a very serious issue.

Mr. Flesch has been attending the Energy and Climate meetings for the last 8 months.

Mr. Flesch works on data analysis as it pertains to education.

Mr. Flesch states climate change is real and the committee needs to focus on what is doable now.

Mr. Flesch states he was recently on the River Road Neighborhood Council and states that he was involved with extending the Milwaukee Trail and discussed working with landowners to get easements to complete the trail.

Mr. Flesch states he will be able to attend the monthly meetings. He also has time to do the research for the committee.

Moved by: Julie Merritt

(No quorum present) Appoint Bart Mihailovich, regular member, Jeremy Flesch, Alternate 1 and Scott McNall, Alternate 2 to the Energy & Climate Team for terms beginning immediately and expiring on July 31, 2022.

AYES: (4): Heather Harp, Gwen Jones, Julie Merritt, and Heidi West

ABSENT: (8): Stacie Anderson, Julie Armstrong, Mirtha Becerra, Michelle Cares, John DiBari, Jordan Hess, Jesse Ramos, and Bryan von Lossberg

Vote results: Approved (4 to 0)

4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 am