

Missoula Neighborhood Watch (MNW)

- General Meeting -

October 29, 2019



MNW Board of Directors & Roles – 2019

- **Secretary** – Mark McClements
- **Treasurer** – Michael Painter
- **At-Large Members**
 - Jane Kelly (Missoula Neighborhood Coordinator)
 - Randy Mineer (Lolo Neighborhood Watch)*
 - Open position*
- **Affiliate Members**
 - Ethan Smith (Missoula Police Department)
 - David Conway (Missoula County Sheriff's Office)
- **Chair** – Tony Rollin

*election tonight

Agenda

1. Call to order - Tony
2. Reminder to sign attendance sheets
3. Adoption of the agenda
4. Correspondence
5. Treasurer's Report - Mike Painter
6. Home Safety - Ethan
7. Neighborhood Reports – All are welcome to provide comments
8. Unfinished business
 - a. Neighborhood Watch signs and stickers - Mike
 - b. Guidelines for NW sign placement – Tony
 - c. Grant application process – Jane
 - d. Stay connected to MNW – Mark/Tony
9. New business
 - a. Election of new Board members - Jane
 - b. National Cybersecurity Awareness Month – Mark/Tony
 - c. Training priorities – David
10. Meeting Close

Treasurer's Report

- Beginning balance (First Interstate Bank) Jan.01.2019: **\$6,002.60**
- Transactions - January through September, 2019
 - Revenue (Dues) \$1,608.00
 - Expenditures: \$1,566.68
 - (Signs & Stickers) \$1,339.68
 - (Grants) \$ 100.00
 - (Admin)
 - POBox \$ 62.00
 - Annual Report Filing \$ 20.00
 - Gen'l Meeting Gift \$ 45.00
- Ending balance (First Interstate Bank) Sep.30.2019: **\$6,043.92**

Neighborhood Watch Signs

- Aluminum Signs*
 - 8.5" x 11" (~\$15 each)
 - 15" x 19" (\$25-\$30 each)
- Large Stickers*
 - 8.5" x 11" (~\$3 each)
- Small Stickers - next slide

* Made in Missoula; price depends on demand



Small Stickers

- Small stickers (4" x 5.5") with adhesive backs
- One Sticker for each family that pays their initial \$2 annual dues
- Available to dues-paying members present tonight who have not yet received one



Guidelines for Sign Placement

- Developed based on consultation with:
 - Missoula Development Services (private property)
 - Missoula Street Department Department (road right-of-ways)
 - Northwestern Energy (utility poles)
- Current Guidelines
 1. Private Property - yes
 - a. Signs less than 2 square feet avoid need for permit
 - b. **Signs should be attached to fences and/or buildings**
 2. City right-of-ways - no
 - a. New signs cannot be placed on City right-of-ways
 - b. Existing signs are OK, but when in need of replacement, removal necessary
 3. NWE power poles - no
 - a. Signs cannot be attached to power poles – violates safety statute

Grant Application Process for NW Block Parties

- Each Neighborhood is encouraged to hold a NW meeting each year
 - to recognize current volunteers
 - to recruit additional neighbors
- Grant Applications
 - provide funds to offset cost of food and related materials
 - should be submitted 30 days before the intended event
 - are available on our Facebook page* or at tonight's meeting

*<http://bit.ly/MissoulaNW> or search "Missoula Neighborhood Watch", then click 'files'.

Stay connected to MNW

- Join our Email distribution list by signing up here today or shoot an email to: missoulaneighborhoodwatch@gmail.com
- Join our Facebook group: <http://bit.ly/MissoulaNW> or search “Missoula Neighborhood Watch”
- Reach out through snail mail:
MNW
P.O. Box 1334
Lolo, MT 59847

Election of New Board Members

1. David Conway – representative of the Missoula Sheriff's Office
2. Randy Mineer – representative of Lolo Neighborhood Watch

OCTOBER IS NATIONAL CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

Learn how you can get involved at
STAYSAFEONLINE.ORG/NCSAM



**“It’s no longer enough
to be on the lookout
for something in your
inbox that appears
suspicious.”**

**Matt Gorham, assistant
director, FBI Cyber Division**

Own IT
Understand Your Digital Profile

Secure IT
Secure Your Digital Profile

Protect IT
Maintain Your Digital Profile

Cyber Safety Tips

All computer users should keep systems and software up to date and use a good anti-virus program. These programs are not foolproof, however, and computer users themselves often help cybercriminals get through these safeguards. To avoid inadvertently downloading malicious code that can harm your network or giving a criminal money or valuable information, the FBI recommends these tips:

- 1. Examine the email address and URLs in all correspondence. Scammers often mimic a legitimate site or email address by using a slight variation in spelling.**
- 2. If an unsolicited text message or email asks you to update, check, or verify your account information, do not follow the link provided in the message itself or call the phone numbers provided in the message. Go to the company's website to log into your account or call the phone number listed on the official website to see if something does in fact need your attention.**

Cyber Safety Tips

- 3. Do not open any attachments unless you are expecting the file, document, or invoice and have verified the sender's email address.**
- 4. Carefully scrutinize all electronic requests for a payment or transfer of funds.**
- 5. Be extra suspicious of any message that urges immediate action.**
- 6. Confirm requests for wire transfers or payment in person or over the phone as part of a two-factor authentication process. Do not verify these requests using the phone number listed in the request for payment.**

Presentation to City Club Missoula on Cyber Security

- Presentation Topic: Top Cyber Security Threats and How to Protect Yourself (originally presented on October 7, 2019)
- Can be found on Missoula Community Access Television (MCAT)
- See: <http://69.144.69.99/CablecastPublicSite/show/10848?channel=1>
- **Upcoming air times**
 - 11/3 at 5:00 PM
 - 11/4 at 8:00 AM

Training Priorities

1. Training for observation and reporting of suspicious activity
 2. Reduction of home susceptibility to crime
 - a. Home security systems
 - b. Burglaries
 3. Steps to protect personal property (outside of the home)
 - a. Vehicle break-ins
 - b. Bike security
 4. Security of minors/children
 - a. Internet
 - b. Runaways
 - c. School resource officers
 - d. Law enforcement youth camp
 5. Internet security, including identity theft
 6. Money scams
 7. Steps to reduce probability of harm in public places/crowds
 1. Active shooter
 2. Sexual assaults
 8. Human trafficking
 9. Drug Trends
 10. Cadet and Reserve Deputy programs
- Are there other topics of interest?