

Bicycle Pedestrian Office

Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Board meetings



The Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board is responsible for being a citizen voice to the City regarding getting around by bicycle and on foot. This can include consideration of bicycle and pedestrian facilities, policies and behaviors. Providing live cable-casting and recording of this meeting was a new request for MCAT services. MCAT recorded 16 hours.

Bonner Milltown Community Council

Monthly Meetings in Bonner School

The council is advisory only and provides the county commissioners with input from residents about matters of local interest. The Council has been concentrating on the changes brought by the Milltown Reservoir Superfund Project. Other topics of economy and quality of life issues are a regular part of Bonner Milltown community council meetings. MCAT provided 20 hours of coverage.



City Cemetery

Stories and Stones 2010

The Stories and Stones program has been provided by the Missoula Cemetery for many years. Storytellers dress in costumes and assume the personae of individuals interred at the cemetery. Individuals come to relay their family histories. Musicians entertain with songs of old. Vendors offer food and beverages for sale. This year, Paul Read was presented by Greg Hansen of the Sheriff's Office. Paul was a Federal Prohibition Officer killed in the line of duty in 1932. The life story of David Polson, for whom the town of Polson is named, was recalled. Other figures from the presentation in 2010 included Anna Lester O'Keefe; Edward L. Bonner of Bonner-Milltown fame; Louis Effinger, who was among the first families to settle the upper Rattlesnake area and who suffered under Montana's tough anti-sedition laws; Rodney Salisbury, a County Sheriff active in the American Communist Party; Rose Anna Vanalstine; and Dr. Oscar Craig, first president of The University of Montana. Andy Smetanka gave a memorable rendition of William Randolph. Inventory 108073, 102 minutes.



City Council Meetings

Missoula City Council meetings are popular viewing on MCAT Civic Channel 11. At Council meetings, public comment is given, and public hearings are held. The public has an opportunity to weigh in on immediate issues facing the Council and City, and to learn about projects proposed by City staff and/or County agencies and nonprofit groups. MCAT recorded 86 hours in the report period.

City Council Committee Meetings



Before issues are brought to City Council Monday night meetings, reports and information are gathered and discussed in the committee meetings. The standing committees of the council are Public Safety and Health; Conservation; Administration and Finance; Public Works; Plat, Annexation and Zoning; and the Committee of the Whole. MCAT provided 216 hours of meeting coverage in this report period.

Fire Department

Visit to the Fire Department summer camp: Van Buren Firehouse

Each summer MCAT offers summers camps in media production for kids who love movies and television. Campers pay a visit to the City fire station on Van Buren Street. The campers are given a tour of the facility and a safety presentation that they record. They also interview some fire personnel and construct public service announcements on summertime water safety. Inventory 107946 24 minutes.



Holiday Fire Safety PSA



Gary Honold gives a talk and demonstration on taking reasonable precautions with holiday decorations. A fire simulation originating in a Christmas tree quickly engulfs a couch and chair, illustrating the need for extra care at this time of year. PSA, 5 minutes.

Health Department

The Board of Health is the policy-making body that determines the goals, objectives and programs for the delivery of public health services to Missoula residents, both City and County. The Board has statutory authority and responsibility including rule-making and adjudication, as well as budgeting authority. The Board is responsible for selecting the Health Officer, who carries out statutory duties and directs the Missoula City-County Health Department. Members also serve on the Air Pollution Control and Water Quality District Boards.

The Air Quality Advisory Council is a volunteer board of technical experts, business and industry professionals and citizens-at-large, providing consultation to the Missoula City-County Air Pollution Control Board for the purpose of improving air quality. The Water Quality Advisory Council provides consultation to the Missoula City-County Water Quality District Board for the purpose of protecting, maintaining and restoring the chemical, physical and biological integrity of the waters of Missoula County. MCAT provided coverage of Health, Air and Water Quality meetings throughout the year for a total of 21.5 hours.



Unplug & Play Week



“Unplug & Play Missoula” is a community collaboration that seeks to improve the health of families and the Missoula Community by making “screen time reduction” an important part of daily conscious living. Mary McCourt of the Missoula City-County Health Department discusses the dangers of children spending too much time with televisions and computers instead of engaging in healthy physical play with one another. What’s Up Missoula, 23 minutes.

Historic Preservation

Centennial Celebration of the Missoula Courthouse

Bill Carey introduces statements from Congressman Denny Rehberg and Senator Jon Tester. Professor of Art History Rafael Chacon gives some background on the building and its architect A.J. Gibson. Inventory 107947, 17 minutes.



Mayor’s Office

State of Missoula Address 2010

Sponsored by the Missoula Chamber of Commerce, the program features Mayor John Engen and County Board of Commissioners Chair Michele Landquist. The facilitators are Jack Gaymer, who introduces County



Commissioner Chair Michele Landquist, and Julie Gemar-Williams, who introduces Mayor Engen. The theme of Commissioner Landquist's address is, “What is local government doing to meet the new opportunities ahead?” Michele also spoke about Partnership Health Center expanding and offered straight talk on the trouble at the Western Montana Fair.

Mayor John Engen discussed the tough economy, which shut down the paper mill and the Macy’s store in downtown. The Mayor detailed grants received for the Police, Fire and Parks departments and the major projects accomplished and planned. The Mayor also addressed efforts to conserve energy and increase health throughout the City administration. Inventory 107770, 60 minutes.

Missoula Google Fiber Project

Community input and concerns are discussed in Council Chambers as part of the City of Missoula efforts to compete for the Google Optic Fiber Project. Inventory 107682, 75 minutes.



Missoula County Commissioners



The MCAT signal is seen outside the City of Missoula, specifically up the Bitterroot Valley all the way to the Ravalli County line. MCAT has been providing coverage of the Missoula Board of County Commissioners’ meetings for five years. This year MCAT continued to transport remote

control equipment to and from the County meeting room to capture 66.5 hours of County Commissioner meetings.

Missoula County Library

Envision! Missoula's Public Library

Focus Group 2, Community Center Issues August 2010

Discussion of the future of libraries in an increasingly computer virtual world, with the outlook of accentuating library functions as a community center. Inventory 107975, 54 minutes.



Missoula County Public Schools

Graduation Matters

MCPS Superintendent Alex Apostle and Susan Hay Patrick of the United Way of Missoula County led a discussion on a city-wide initiative to keep students in school, completing high school. Dr. Apostle maintains that a community goal for kids is to be successful in school, and a goal for schools is to be supportive of success for a wide range of learning styles and needs. Success in school suggests that a young person's life has some focus; successfully negotiating high school suggests that a teenager will be more capable of functioning effectively in the wider world. Dr. Apostle stressed the need for cooperation from all corners of the community and invited community and business leaders to join him in educating the children of the city. What's Up Missoula folder 28 minutes.

Graduation Matters Press Conference

Superintendent Alex Apostle staged a press conference in the new Education building at The University of Montana and presented his position on the importance of a concerted community-wide effort to encourage all students to stay in school and complete a high school education. MCPS 2010 folder, 34 minutes



2010 Missoula County Spelling Bee



According to the Missoulian, Superintendent Rachel Vielleux "jumped in blind, completely unaware that she would be a judge, a school boss, a negotiator, a lobbyist, an accountant, a paper-pusher, a data collector, an evaluator and, most important of all, a living, breathing encyclopedia of education law." Rachel's last spelling bee is recorded in this program because she retired after 25 years on February 25, 2010. Inventory 107840, 109 minutes.

2010 Start of School Celebration: Working Together...We Achieve!

This annual start-of-school program celebrates the staff and faculty of Missoula County Public Schools and sets an enthusiastic tone for the rigors of the school year. This year the presenters included Mayor John Engen, and Gizelle Forrest, a fancy dancer, provided a Native American opening to the ceremonies. Other motivational speakers included former UM President George Dennison. District music teachers formed a

jazz band that provided entertainment and good cheer. Nathan Wildeboer, a middle school student gave another wonderfully witty address. MCPS 2010 folder, 105 minutes.

School Concerts



Hellgate Jazz Band
Inventory 108061a 49 minutes

Hellgate High School Fall Concert:
Intermediate and Advanced Orchestras Inventory
108061b 39 minutes



Sentinel High School Band Fall Concert
Inventory 108062a 48 minutes

A Holiday Concert: All City Winds-All City Orchestra-All City Symphony-Missoula Youth Symphony
Inventory 108062b 57 minutes



A Holiday Extravaganza: All City Percussion-All City Winds-All City Jazz
Inventory 1087063a 49 minutes

7th Grade Choral Festival with Special Guest Sky Blues
Inventory 108063b 29 minutes

Office of Neighborhoods

All citizens in Missoula have an opportunity to get involved in their neighborhood councils and make a difference right where they live. Missoulians established neighborhood councils to build cooperation and communication among citizens and City officials. Each month the neighborhood councils' designated leaders meet together in Council Chambers in a Community Forum. MCAT recorded 18 hours of meeting time in the report period.



Office of Planning and Grants

2010 Missoula Active Transportation Plan Kickoff Community Workshop, January 28, 2010



This program features City-County transportation planner Ann Cundy and guest speaker Harrison Rue, an expert transportation planner with ICF International. The kickoff brought over 200 Missoulians together to help form the mission of the new transportation plan and identify areas of public input at the start of the transportation planning period. Inventory 107915, 97 minutes.

City-County Consolidated Planning Board

The Consolidated City-County Planning Board holds public hearings and provides recommendations to the City and County governing bodies on adoption and amendments to growth policies, zoning regulations and subdivision regulations. They also hear and make recommendations on zoning and rezoning requests and major subdivision proposals. MCAT recorded and cablecast over 40 hours in the report period.

Design Review Board

The Design Review Board is enabled by the City Council through Title 20, the Missoula City Zoning Ordinance, to review and decide on sign packages, building graphics, variances from the NC-B Boulevard Neighborhood Character Overlay and deviations from certain development standards found in the Landscaping Chapter, Multi-dwelling Building design standards, Townhouse standards and the NC-SR Southside Riverfront Neighborhood Character Overlay. All decisions of the Design Review Board may be appealed to the City Council. MCAT recorded eight hours of proceedings in the report period.



Project Homeless Connect



Melissa Gordon of the City-County Office of Planning and Grants worked with a group that organized a number of Missoula resources to provide a one-stop service event that included referrals, on-site healthcare, haircuts, clothing repair, senior services, pet care, credit counseling and many more services all in one day at one event. Ellie Greenwood represented the Missoula Housing Authority. What's Up Missoula, 26 minutes.

Transportation Technical Advisory Committee

TTAC provides technical advice to the Transportation Policy Coordinating Committee (TPCC) and technical direction to the inter-agency staff of the Missoula Urban Transportation Planning Process. MCAT recorded 11.25 hours of TTAC meetings in the report period.



Transportation Policy Coordinating Committee

TPCC develops and keeps current transportation planning as an integral part of the comprehensive regional planning for the Missoula urban area. This committee manages the executive business of the Missoula Urban Transportation Study, works closely with the City, County, Missoula Consolidated Planning Board and the State to develop and keep current urban transportation planning in the Missoula area. TPCC adopts and recommends implementation of long- and short-range transportation programs for the Missoula urban area and transmits all reports and recommendations related to the continuing transportation planning for the urban area to the various agencies for final adoption and implementation. MCAT recorded 12 hours of the Committee in the report period.



Missoula in Motion - 11th Annual Transportation Awards and Seminars

Awards Luncheon and Presentations

Keynote Speech and awards presentation for Best Practices

Harrison Rue of ICF International provided a keynote speech dealing with his area of expertise in integrated land use and transportation policy. His presentation dealt with strategies to reduce vehicle travel and reduce fuel consumption and emissions associated with driving. Inventory 107787a, 68 minutes.



Seminar, The Business of Climate Change

Missoula in Motion Program Specialist Ryan Newhouse moderates a panel discussion with Harrison Rue, of ICF International, who specializes in integrated transit and land use policy; Amy Cilimburg, Global Warming Outreach Coordinator for Montana Audubon; and Keegan Eisenstadt, President and CEO of Clear Sky Climate Solutions, which specializes in industrial emission reductions. Sunday Streets Inventory 107787(b) 86 minutes.

Seminar: Policies and Programs in Alternative Transportation for Employers with Alex Stokman

Alex Stokman details how employers can help employees achieve an alternative transportation program with incentives and flexible work schedules. Inventory 107787b, 86 minutes.



Alex Stokman visited What's Up Missoula with information about Missoula's first Sunday Streets program, which involved the temporary closing of Higgins Avenue for public use. Events included jogging lessons and children's activities, art shows and health vendors. What's Up Missoula, 24 minutes.

Parking Commission

Introduced by Colleen Rudio, this segment featured Dennis Burns, consultant for downtown parking with 28 years of experience. Mr. Burns' particular expertise is in parking master planning and management consulting. He is the author of over 200 parking studies. He has published extensively in several professional journals and books, including the International Parking Institutes' "Parking Management – The Next Level" and the International Downtown Associations' publication "Making Business Districts Work." Meeting at the Library, February 4, 2010. Inventory 107916 108 minutes.



Police Department

10th Anniversary Ceremony of Remembrance and Celebration



The Police Department Color Guard, Missoula Police Chaplain Jon Meek, Police Chief Mark Muir and Officer Mark Woodward made awards and paid tribute to police officer Robert J Heinle. Special Guest Speaker Mick Holien (Voice of the Grizzlies). Inventory 107908, 49 minutes

Homecoming Parade

The annual parade has been covered live by MCTAC for 7 years running. This parade took place in moderate weather and featured all the area marching bands, as well as over 130 entries from enthusiasts throughout the county. Inventory 107991, 88 minutes.