

City of Lewistown Study Commission
August 14, 2015
Lewistown City Complex

Attendees included Dick Krillenberger, Darryl McKenzie, Alexzandra Dunnington, Dick Ellestad, Butch Sturtz, Gayle Doney. Melody Scott performed the duties of recording secretary.

Call to Order: Krillenberger called the meeting to order at 11:01 AM.

Roll Call of Members Present

Disposition of Previous Meeting Minutes: Dunnington moved to approve the July 27, 2015 minutes. Ellestad seconded.

Budget-Paid Expenses and Current Balance: No current figures were available for report.

Chokecherry Booth Details: Dunnington shared details about setup of the booth. She will be providing the tent, chairs and table. Dunnington has been checking into the cost of having a professional sign made for the booth. Eastwood signs has given a quote of \$70 for a basic sign with the study commission's name on it. Krillenberger said to try to get a lower price, but if not possible, than take the \$70 quote. Dunnington asked what kind of information should be handed out at the booth. Krillenberger encouraged giving brief and concise answers to the public or to do a survey. Dunnington pointed out that this would provide a good opportunity to educate the public about what the purpose of the study commission. Mike Brown mentioned that he has learned much about the city government since the study commission started. Discussed followed on the purpose being about reviewing the charter, listening to public opinion and determining the best form of government for Lewistown. Dunnington reminded that booth setup will start at 6am. Scott mentioned the idea from the July 27 meeting about having Dan Clark come to a meeting and whether there would be expenses involved in such an idea. Dunnington will check into the idea further. Ellestad recommended that Dunnington be in charge of the handouts for the booth. Shifts for the booth were discussed. Members will have to stagger their arrivals so that there is not a quorum. Krillenberger is trying to recruit volunteers to help man the booth. Scott will provide a sign up sheet for the shifts at the next meeting.

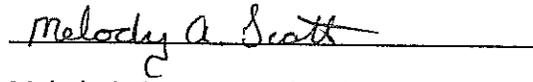
Review of the Lewistown City Charter: Krillenberger read aloud a sample charter for a mayoral form of government that had been written by member of the public. He also read the current city charter for comparison purposes. Study commission marked sections of possible changes for review at later meetings.

Open Public Participation: Tom St. John shared his thoughts on the manager's pay, need for change in the qualifications of the city management position, pay of Great Fall's manager and that the city management position needs to be full time. He doesn't care what the position title is as long as the public gets to vote that person into the position. Krillenberger mentioned when the last study commission met, he was not aware. With the study commission years ago suggested a change in the government form, he thought it might be a good idea but did not really understand the process or what the change meant. Apathy reigns in the public. St. John said that most Montanians do not care to get involved, just enjoy their life. Usually the big government type of people try to change things which then gets the rest of the public involved. He feels there needs to exist a way for the public to make change when they get riled up. Mike Brown mentioned that people want to make changes but do not know how to go about doing something like that or knowing how the government operates.

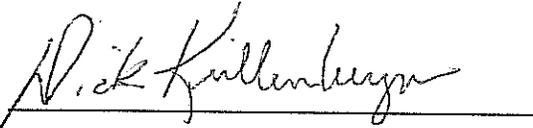
Committee Member Comments: No comments from the study commission members.

Announcement of meeting dates, times and locations were announced.

Adjournment: Meeting dismissed by Krillenberger at 12:02 pm.

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Melody A. Scott, Recording Secretary

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Dick Krillenberger, Chairman