



**Meeting Minutes**  
**Liberty Wells Community Council**  
**Thursday, March 21, 2024**

**Welcome, Introductions and Announcements**

- Public safety report (Det. Fallows not present. Bill delivered an update on his behalf) - 7 thefts, 5 motor vehicle thefts, 8 burglaries - higher than normal. All other crime is down. Note that crime increases with warm weather. Use common sense measures to prevent theft: lock doors, turn on porch lights, do not leave keys in car unattended.
- 7 Fountains Clean Up May 4th 10am, 9:30 if you have a leaf blower ELPCO and Central City have been notified and invited to join. Rain date May 11th Garbage cans and compost cans provided, bring your own gloves, rakes, clippers, and shovels. ACTION: Bill to work on an updated flyer to advertise the event.
- Call for volunteers to join the board. Would like to find someone who can manage our social media and help design and distribute a newsletter.
- Pints for Purpose last Tuesday: good turnout, but would like to see more participation from Liberty Wells neighbors.
- CIP hearing update:
  - Bill gave an update on the Coatesville 700E community garden request
  - Discussed the speed bump request on 400E that we will submit next year
- Notes from the community:
  - Wasatch Co-Op market thanked the council for our \$1,000 donation from Valerie's fund to support the co-op.
  - Tim Brown Pres. CEO of Tracy Aviary thanked the council for \$2500 donation for the Andy statue

**Mayor's office - Josh Robollo** (not in attendance-no update)

**City Council - Darin Mano - update provided by intern, Jenna Benson:**

RDA Board Meeting Update:

- Received \$18M of funding to distribute throughout the city - Of that, \$2.7M funding for restoring affordable housing (1540 units) for high opportunity areas,
- Discussed housing development funding strategy
- Priorities for coming year:
  - Equity building opportunities (ability to purchase units)

- Family sized housing to accommodate families with children (this is an increasing concern in the city)
- Deeply affordable housing
- Will approve at April meeting

Follow up on budget amendment for library (FY23-24) to cover unexpected costs incurred from the roof renovation - bring up to standards, create open space

There will be a hearing at the next meeting on March 26 at 7pm

Heart Community BBQ Wed April 17 530-730 pm at Gail Miller Resource Center

Love your block grant program recently extended to Ballpark - 2 different funding sources for community led projects (e.g. clean up, refurbish signs, etc)

Go to Love Your Block website to apply:

<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/e15b26c0f8104e49bc2d82335df1e146>

Update on recent town hall. Darin is looking for a location to hold the next one. It was suggested he look for locations in Liberty Wells.

### **Public announcement and discussion about a proposed bylaw change**

Provided a notice of proposed changes to Article 10 sections C,D,E

The proposed change is to update attendance policy bylaws to soften the language slightly.

Change was announced. Will finalize our approval and adoption at the next public meeting.

### **Public announcement and discussion about our new proposed: A Vision for Increased Density within Liberty Wells**

Discussed the documented studies and evidence demonstrating the detriment slot homes cause for communities, walkability, neighborhood feel. The vision statement encourages true missing middle housing: [The Types — Missing Middle Housing](#)

ACTION: Margaret to post to the website once Jeff has made minor clerical changes and added an image that provides examples of Missing Middle Housing. Once the community has had time to review, the board will adopt the statement at next meeting.

Considerable discussion around the title and whether to include “density.” The board would like the statement to focus on the positive aspects of missing middle housing rather than focusing on what we’re against. It’s understood that members of the board will continue their advocacy for missing middle housing and speak out against slot homes.

*ACTION: Finalize the title in the board meeting*

### **Open Agenda**

Extensive discussion about zoning and density.

Community member highlighted a point from Darin Mano’s town hall surrounding the proposed high density development in the Ballpark neighborhood. The community would like to ensure that green space is incorporated into the plan. Darin mentioned he would have to “really fight” for greenspace. Be sure to call the city council and be active to advocate for green space.