

MEDA Community Review Working Group

August 18, 2020

9am

On the call: Ashley Kent, Steve Simonson, Kay Reynolds, Tara Mastel, Lorie Higgins, Jan Stoddard, and Gloria O'Rourke.

Troy

Following a welcome and introductions, Gloria updated everyone on the Troy Virtual Listening Sessions to take place September 8th, 9th, and 10th. The Troy Town Hall Meeting will take place the evening of September 10th.

Those on the call provided feedback for the Listening Sessions and shared best practices. Jan Stoddard and/or someone from her division will join the calls.

Lorie Higgins said that unlike previous Listening Sessions, a little time will be taken to prioritize what was heard from each session.

Other Updates

- a. Choteau - continues to make progress
- b. Billings Heights - perhaps a neighborhood Community Review
- c. Peer to Peer Network – progress continues
- d. Stillwater County – interested

Misc.

Steve asked how Reimagining Rural fits with Community Reviews. Tara shared that the processes complement each other rather than duplicate each other. Reimagining Rural causes communities to reflect on how they view themselves and how to share their story. Tara reported 25 communities have signed up and will go through a three-event series. Gloria noted more than half of the communities at one time held a Resource Team Assessment or Community Review.