Neighborhood Council 7 June 12, 2017 Civic Center, Gibson Room 7:00 p.m.

Council Members in attendance were Lisa Meyers, Sandra Rice, Gudrun Linden, and Troy Lane. Neighborhood Council Coordinator Patty Cadwell was in attendance. Trevor Mikkelsen was absent.

7:00 p.m. Chair Lisa Meyers called the meeting to order and led the council in the pledge of allegiance.

## Old Business:

Minutes of May meeting were moved to be adopted by Troy Lane, seconded by Gudrun Linden, carried unanimously.

## **Committee Reports:**

Downtown Development Committee: Trevor has not been able to attend this committee meeting for the last five meetings. Patty Cadwell will inquire with the Downtown Development Committee as to the possibility of holding this meeting at a more convenient time, as daytime meetings are difficult for Council 7 members to attend.

Brownfield Committee: Gudrun has this committee, and will be attending in the future.

Police Advisory Committee: Council 7 does not have a designated Member for this Committee. Lisa expressed an interest in being this delegate.

Downtown Safety Committee: This is a newly formed committee. Council 7 needs to elect a representative. This will be placed on the July Agenda.

Council of Councils: Lisa attended the May meeting and reported on general information and citywide concerns discussed.

## **New Business:**

Stan Meyer presented information on the Volunteer Weed Detection Program, particularly on reporting on noxious weeds prevalent Great Falls. The noxious weed program has been successful in reducing the incidence of knapweed over past years. He explained the city code on weed control, in that residents can report weeds and grasses over 8 inches tall to Deb Kimball at <a href="mailto:dkimball@greatfallsmt.net">dkimball@greatfallsmt.net</a> or call 455-8158. He handed out a page on the do's and don'ts of reporting concerns and contact information for reporting concerns. Stan gave Troy Lane and Sandra Rice the only two copies he had of the "Montana's Noxious Weeds" booklet to help in identifying noxious weeds.

## Other Business:

Sandra Rice reported that the Peas in a Pod Neighborhood Garden is being managed by the St. Vincent de Paul organization. The Garden is in very good shape.

Patty Cadwell noted that Council 7 needs to formally elect representatives to the various Committees. This will be placed on the July agenda.

Sandra requested information on the procedure to report at the City Commission Meeting for Council 7. Patty explained that a Member could make that report with the permission of the Council. Personal opinions would not be allowed.

Public Comment: Rose Schuster, 515 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, attended the meeting and expressed an interest in attending further meetings as she is interested in helping in the neighborhood.

Moved to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. by Troy Lane, seconded by Gudrun Linden, carried unanimously.

Next meeting July 10, Gibson Room, Civic Center. Election of representatives to Committees to be included in agenda.

Respectfully submitted, Sandra Rice