

Neighborhood Council 4 Minutes
Heritage Baptist Church – 900 52nd Street North
27 Jul 2017

Council members in attendance: Sandra Guynn, Rudy Tankink, Dan Payne
Council members absent: Harold Wheeler, Gregg Matsko

Others in attendance: Community Policing Officer Clint Houston; Great Falls Chamber of Commerce CEO/President Shane Etwiler; Neighborhood Council Coordinator Patty Cadwell, and members of the public, who are listed on the attached sign-in sheet.

Chair Sandra opened the meeting at 6:41pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

New Business: Officer Clint Houston gave an informative update of Council 4's crime statistics, and indicated that we continue to be the second safest neighborhood in Great Falls. Narcotics continue to drive up the overall crime rate with heroin usage still on the rise. Another Citizens Academy begins the second week of September with registration beginning August 1. Officer Houston also answered questions from the council and audience.

Shane Etwiler gave an insightful presentation about the Chamber of Commerce and his varied work experience, which allows him to bring a different perspective to the various aspects of his position. He spoke about the Chamber becoming a "Chamber of Action" to help Great Falls become a thriving business community. Shane also spoke about the Economic Development Levy, which will be on the November ballot, and answered questions from the council and audience members.

Petitions and Communications: Resident Jerime LeBlanc expressed concern about general disregard for the uncontrolled intersection at 46th Street and 5th Avenue South and speeding in the area. His primary concern is for the safety of the children who frequent Pinski Park. Sandra will contact Officer Houston and request an increase in patrol, and will also contact Jerry McKinley and ask if a traffic study of the area can be conducted.

Committee Reports: None

Old Business:

- Rudy moved to accept the June minutes as presented. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Sandra reported that NC5 will be hosting MANG and MAFB officials at their meeting on Monday, August 21 at 7:00 p.m. to discuss the proposed C130 mission at MAFB. She encouraged all council members to attend.
- Sandra moved that NC4 join NC5 in hosting an ice cream social and emergency planning event on August 27 at 4:00 p.m. at Russell Park. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously. She stressed the importance of all NC4 members attending this event.
- Patty Cadwell reiterated, that according to Council Bylaws, every council must have a member, who is not the chair or vice chair, as acting secretary. Because two council members were absent, Sandra postponed the election of this position until August.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Guynn, Chair and Acting Secretary