

Minutes of Neighborhood Council 2 West Elementary December 13, 2017 7PM

The meeting was called to order at 7 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A quorum was established with Chair Olson ,Secretary Patera ,and Mr. Staley being present . Vice Chair Strickland was absent to medical issues. Elizabeth McBride was introduced as she will be joining Neighborhood Council 2 in January.

We had no community business and community speakers join us in December.

During petitions and concerns, neighbors who resided around the property and blocks surrounding 2311 4th Ave. SW. spoke to our council and concerned citizens about issues surrounding their neighborhood. They have been working with Heather Rolf, GFPD, and the Russell Country Drug task force to resolve issue and problem areas around the neighborhood. While neighbors, council members, as well as citizens recognize that this is a slow process, neighbors wanted to start a community conversation regarding this block and affected properties. Heather Rolf encouraged neighbors to attend our council and ask for petitions and communications from council members to the Great Falls city commission and other community services if possible regarding this section of our neighborhood. Chair Olson and Council members agreed to begin the process of starting petitions in communication on behalf of these neighbors. The decision was unanimous. Chair Olson will assist in neighbors in getting petition materials together. We also discussed a potential community forum regarding nuisance properties at a possible later time. We also encouraged neighbors to come to our meeting in January as Officer Hunt from Community Policing will be giving his quarterly presentation.

In our old business/ continuing topics section

There were no November minutes as the meeting had to be canceled due to lack of quorum. However, Council did approve October minutes unanimously.

In the committee reports section, no reports were presented on the 6th St., South west crossing or the Westside Flood District.

The next meeting of the council will be January 10, 2018 at West Elementary Library 7PM. Members will elect officers and delegates as well as review NC2 bylaws for the 20 18–2019 Neighborhood Council term.

Respectfully submitted,

Shyla Patera Secretary