

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #7
October 11, 2021
GIBSON ROOM, CIVIC CENTER
7:00 p.m.

The meeting was brought to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Lisa Meyers, who led the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Council members Troy Lane, Lisa Meyers and Trevor Mikkelsen. Sandy Rice was absent and Andy Blewett has resigned. City Liaison Lanni Krasner was in attendance.

The Minutes of the September 13 meeting were approved, motion by Trevor, second by Troy.

Committee Reports:

Downtown Safety Alliance, Troy attended reported on the discussion.

Council of Councils. Sandy attended for NC-7, Trevor reported on the discussion about chronic nuisance properties and the reports given by Jeff Hindoen, Assistant City Attorney and Sarah Sexe, City Attorney. This was Sarah final meeting as City Attorney as she is retiring at the end of September. At the upcoming Council of Council meeting there will be a presentation and discussion with the Great Falls Police Department regarding restarting the Neighborhood Watch Program.

Lisa reported on Crime Statistics for our Council Area, these will become a regular part of our meetings as the statistics are available online.

New Business:

Open NC 7 Council Position – Troy nominated Linda Daggett for the vacant council position, seconded by Trevor, unanimously consented. Linda will coordinate with Lanni to be sworn in before the November meeting.

Complaint Letter from First Baptist Church

Discussion was held concerning the letter First Baptist Church had sent to several Council members across Great Falls. Lanni advised that City Manager Greg Doyon was meeting with First Baptist Church to discuss their concerns illuminated in this letter. Trevor will contact First Baptist and ask them to attend the November NC 7 meeting to discuss their concerns about the homeless population in downtown Great Falls.

Other Business:

February 15 was chosen as the date for Neighborhood Council 7 to present to the City Commission. Neighborhood Councils can present to the City Commission at any regular scheduled City Commission meeting or work session.

Good Neighbor Award was discussed and Lanni advised that nominations could be made on the City Website at <https://greatfallsmt.net/neighborhoodcouncils/good-neighbor-award>

Motion to adjourn by Troy at 8:15, second by Trevor, carried.