

MINUTES NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL DISTRICT 4
Heritage Baptist Church – 900 52nd Street North, Great Falls, MT 59401

April 28, 2022

PRESENT: Rudy Tankink, Judy Tankink, Dean Ashley, Sandra Rice, Jay and Billie Jo Groskreutz, Don Ryan, Shanon Wilson, Lanni Klasner, Brian Black, Rich LaBard, and Chris Ward.

**Sandra Guynn Excused*

CALL TO ORDER:

Dean called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance

NEW BUSINESS:

- Lt. Brian Black and Lt Rich LaBard, from the Great Falls Police Department, gave a Powerpoint presentation on Transients and Treatment. It covered problems in our community with drug use and mental health issues. Great Falls has started investing ways to address Chronic High Utilizers (CHU) are individuals with numerous arrests. Billings is currently implementing this program which is an alternative treatment style for repeat offenders.
- Sandy Rice talked about the history and achievements of the Downtown Safety Alliance. She provided a copy of the 2021 Safety Plan as well as handouts with contact information for various public agencies. Friends of the Library Sale is May 12, 13 and 14.
- Jay Groskreutz talked about why he is running as a Republican candidate for Cascade County Sheriff and outlined his work history and qualifications.
- Don Ryan introduced himself as a Democrat candidate for Cascade County Commissioner. He talked about his previous work experience and abilities.

OLD BUSINESS

- Rudy Tankink moved to accept the minutes as printed. Motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Judy nominated Chris Ward for NC4 vacancy. Filling the vacancy will be on the May agenda.
- NC4 will clean up Pinski Park next Saturday at 10AM. Dean will contact Carol Bronson about supplies.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

- Lanni said that Great Falls High School students may be able to do a presentation at a future meeting.
- Dean expressed some concerns about vandalism at Heron Park.
- No committee reports.

ADJOURN

- Judy Tankink moved to adjourn. Motion carried.

Submitted by Judy Tankink, Acting Secretary NC4

Next meeting May 26, 2022