

Neighborhood Council #7  
Monday, May 9, 2022, 7:00 p.m.  
Gibson Room, Civic Center

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The meeting was brought to order at 7:00 by Chair Lisa Meyers, who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

In attendance were Council Members Linda Daggett, Troy Lane, Lisa Meyers, Trevor Mikkelsen, and Sandy Rice: City Liaison Lanni Klasner was absent.

Neighbors attending were Michael Yegerlehner, Morgan Yegerlehner, Ashleigh McCann, Rick Herzog, Jan Herzog, Don Ryan, Eric Peterson, Vanica Reese, Tim Reese, Lt. Black (GFPD) and Jasmine Krotkov.

The April Minutes were approved as submitted.

Downtown Development and Brownfield Committees: Wayfaring signs are being installed.

Downtown Safety Alliance: No meeting in May. Sandy is speaking to each Neighborhood Council about the DSA 2021 Safety Plan.

Council of Councils will meet on May 24. Recommendations for consideration were Nuisance Property and feedback regarding the new RV code.

Strategic Planning and Outreach: Troy encouraged the Council to start knocking on doors since the weather is nice.

Crime Mapping Report: monthly statistics were reviewed by Lisa.

Lt. Black presented a non-traditional approach to Transients and Chronic High Users of city resources being implemented in Great Falls. The program emphasizes mental health responders when police response is not warranted. The program is just getting underway, modeled after programs in place in Billings and San Francisco.

County Commissioner Don Ryan presented his ideas for the Cascade County and asked for a vote in November.

Jasmine Krotkov presented her ideas for the State Legislature and asked for a vote in the primary.

Troy reported that CommUNITY Cleanup, sponsored NeighborWorks Great Falls, was successful for NC 7, which cleaned up Carter Park. "Trash Talk", a presentation about recycling will be presented at the Library on May 10.

Michael Yegerlehner reported that the next Homeless Task Force meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 18 at 6:00 p.m. at the First English Lutheran Church.

The Friends of the Library book sale is scheduled for May 12, 13, 14.

Lisa mentioned that Friday, May 13, the Law Enforcement awards luncheon is scheduled.

Several neighbors brought up continuing nuisance problems, especially at 8<sup>th</sup> Street South between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Avenues South. The idea of trying to use insurance companies to make the landlords more responsible for the tenants' actions was mentioned. Working with property insurance companies, can the properties be made uninsurable? Doreen is the owner of these apartments as well as the Chelsea apartments on the North side.

Agenda suggestions: Apollos University, Alluvion update on the Rocky Mountain Building, Great Falls Development Authority on the efforts to increase affordable housing in Great Falls.

The meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Sandra Rice, Secretary