

Neighborhood Council #7
Monday, **February 13, 2023**, 7:00 p.m.
Gibson Room, Civic Center

MINUTES

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, and presenter Susie McIntyre, Library Director

The January Minutes were approved as amended.

OLD BUSINESS

Roll call of the Council was completed: all members present.

Downtown Development Partnership: Linda reported that the DDP is requesting changes to the TIF guidelines and maximum amount allowed.

Brownfield Committee: No report

Downtown Safety Alliance: Sandy reported that the DSA agreed to advocate for the Library Mill Levy Special Election in June. Vandalism seems particularly bad in January; most seems to be created by one perpetrator. Melissa Smith brought the DSA up to date on Legislative bills that affect Great Falls. Officer Zane O'Meara briefed the DSA on GFPD matters.

Council of Councils: Discussed were: the Animal Control Ordinance, expansion of the Police Evidence Room, about 15 officers are ready to retire with a younger force coming, State and City traffic panel with 5 year plan.

Strategic Planning and Outreach: No report

Crime Mapping Report: Lisa reported quarterly statistics.

NEW BUSINESS

Susie McIntyre, Great Falls Library Director, briefed the Council on the upcoming Library Mill Levy proposal, which she hopes will be approved by the City Commission and placed on the June 6 Special Election ballot. Sandy moved that NC7 endorse the proposed ballot, Trevor moved an amended motion, Sandy seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Motion:

“Recognizing that the Great Falls Public Library is a vital and essential part of Neighborhood Council #7 and the City of Great Falls, I move that Neighborhood Council #7 support the proposed library mill levy.”

Motion made by Trevor Mikkelsen, seconded by Sandra Rice and passed unanimously.

Other Business: None

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL: Sandy asked who is thinking of running again in the November 2023 election. No More Violence Week is in April

Next Meeting: Monday, March 13, 2023

Agenda suggestions: Presentation from the Library Ballot Committee
Whittier School Presentations

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Sandra Rice, Secretary