## NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #5 Monday, September 18, 2023 – 7:00 pm Alliance for Youth, 3220 12th Ave. So.

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Eric Ray with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** Members present: Terry Albrecht, Pat Bolton,, Eric Ray, and Zachary Bumgarner. Marcia Anderson was absent. There were six neighbors present. Assistant Fire Chief Mike McIntosh and three members of the Alliance for Youth staff were also present.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Kristy Stroop introduce and announced a Community Blood Drive and Youth Craft Show for Saturday, November 4th. September 18th is the four year anniversary of being offered the building where Alliance for youth is located. AFYs programs were explained: Sober Life, Youth Resource Center, and Parenting Programs.

Eric introduced Mike McIntosh and prefaced the Safety Levy and Bond Issue topics

The Bond Issue isn't.t being discussed as much as the Levy Rating decreased for Great Falls ISO Safety Rating ISO audit is every five years Levy is for 33 new firemen Bond is for fire stations build and renovations \$21 million total (\$10 million for fire, \$6 million for police) Fire Dept received a FEMA grant for \$900k for equipment There is need for two new stations: First priority is East South Great Falls. Second is North GF Possible land purchase for stations - UP or GFCMSU

## **NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERNS:**

Possible MAFB/Fed Govt/Military investment for infrastructure Devonshire area traffic and parking concerns regarding fire access Safety in the Falls Website

NEXT MEETING - October 16, 2023. Public Safety Levy Presentation (Neighborhood Town Hall)

ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Pat and second by Terry.

Respectfully submitted, Marcia Anderson, Secretary