

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #5
Monday, June 17, 2024– 7:00 pm
Great Falls Clinic Specialty Center, 3000 15th Ave So

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

ROLL CALL: Members present: Howard Plouffe, Tom Kotynski, Eric Ray, and Marcia Anderson. Dylan Lennox was absent. There were 14 neighbors present including Brock Cherry, Director of Planning and Community Development, Andrew Finch, Senior Transportation Planner, and one other staff member.

NEW BUSINESS:

Brock Cherry, Director of Planning and Community Development, gave a presentation on THE GROWTH POLICY; aka “The People’s Plan”. “A Growth Policy is an official public document that Montana cities, towns, and counties use to guide future decisions, particularly land use. **It is not a regulatory tool and cannot be used solely to decide on proposed land use projects or development.** However, it can serve as the legal foundation for adopting or updating zoning or subdivision regulations, which can help accomplish the plan’s goals.” Each neighborhood needs to help identify their specific needs. If you have issues or ideas, Brock’s contact information is: bcherry@greatfallsmt.net, office phone: 406-455-8530, office is in the Great Falls Civic Center.

The Council decided to rotate the Chairperson’s duties of setting the agenda, finding speakers and running the meetings starting in September so that when the personnel changes, everyone knows how things are done. Dylan will be asked to be the technical advisor.

The Ice Cream Social will be Sunday, August 18 at 3:00. Super 1 will provide the refreshments,

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

The 35 mph speed limit on 10th Ave So at 38th St has been moved 500 yds to the east. The 25 mph speed limit sign on 38th and 10 Ave No has been moved to the north so it can be seen outside of the trees.

The mosquito issue behind Touro College will be checked for larvae to see if spray is required. Debbie Kimball has retired, so if there are issues about weeds or mosquitoes, fill out a Citizen Complaint Form found on the City website. The County will not spray noxious weeds on private property.

Materials have been ordered to fix the cracks in the crossover path in Russell Park. The tennis courts are being studied: possible mini soccer pitch court, basketball, and parking are being discussed.

Ben Forsyth handed out two flyers on the dangers of Cannabis.

OLD BUSINESS:

Approve Minutes: The minutes were read and approved on a motion by Tom and second by Howard.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Zachary will be removed as the owner of the Facebook page and one of the Council members will take it over along with a city employee.

NEXT MEETING – July 15, 2024

ADJOURN - The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 on a motion by Marcia and second by Eric.

Respectfully submitted,
Marcia Anderson, Secretary