## MEETING MINUTES NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #2 Wednesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Great Falls West Elementary School 5:30 pm

## Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A quorum was established with Chair Tim Croft, Vice Chair Wayne Young, and Secretary Frank Speidel. Also present were City of Great Falls Neighborhood Council Liaison Rob Moccasin, Emma Nelson from NeighborWorks, and 2 residents from the community.

## **Old Business**

- Approve Minutes February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025 meeting
  - 5:31 pm Vice Chair Wayne Young made a motioned to approve the February 2025 meeting minutes with one correction under Neighborhood Concerns, the word "Quite" to "Quiet". 5:31 pm the Council unanimously approved.

## New Business

- NeighborWorks
  - 5:31 NeighborWorks Emma Nelson gave an update of their 2024 impact report and a presentation of NeighborWorks 2025 upcoming events. More information can be obtained at https://www.nwgf.org. Of particular note is NeighborWorks 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Masquerade Ball on April 5<sup>th</sup> from 5pm to 9pm located at The Newberry, 420 Central Ave, Great Falls MT. Ticket prices start at 75.00 dollars. The theme is Great Gatsby. Also of note is their Community Cleanup April 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, their Home Buyer Fair at University Providence on April 26<sup>th</sup> 9am to 2pm, and their Annual Meeting May 7<sup>th</sup> 4:30pm TBD. NeighborWorks Great Falls also offers a community grant up to 500.00 dollars to help strengthen our local communities. Targeted at Neighborhood Councils, past projects have included neighborhood watch signs, a pet waste station in a park, and Summer social celebrations. The grant application is located on their website.

- Neighborhood Watch Crime Mapping
  - Chair Tim Croft reported 5 assaults. 1 drug violation. 1 breaking and entering. 6 thefts. 2 DUI's. 2 graffiti. 1 vehicle break in. 1 disturbing the peace. According to the news the city is cracking down on the graffiti and wants everyone's help. Homeowners and businesses have 72 hours to clean it up. City Code 8.51.030 on graffiti can be located here https://library.municode.com/mt/great\_falls\_/codes/code\_of\_ordinance s. Citizens reporting graffiti on other properties can use the online complaint form located here https://greatfallsmt.net/community/onlinecitizen-complaint-form. Citizens reporting graffiti on their own property should call Great Falls Police non-emergency number 406-455-8599 or fill out the Incident Report Form located here https://greatfallsmt.net/police/incident-report-form.
- Council Facebook Page
  - Secretary Frank Speidel reported 1714 views. 37 interactions. 113 followers.

Petitions, Communications, Updates (Public comment on any matter that is not on the agenda of the meeting and that is within the jurisdiction of the Neighborhood Council. In the interest that all parties can be heard, please limit your comments. When addressing the Council, state your name and either your address or whether you are a Neighborhood Council 2 resident for the record).

- Neighborhood Concerns
  - None reported

Neighborhood Council (Miscellaneous reports, announcements, and agenda suggestions from Neighborhood Council #2 members. For more information on Neighborhood Councils please visit: <u>https://greatfallsmt.net/neighborhoodcouncils/our-councils</u> and <u>https://www.facebook.com/NeighborhoodCouncils/)</u>

- Agenda Suggestion Items:
  - Council Bylaws
  - West Great Falls Flood Control and Drainage District Commissioner and Chairperson Chuck Rogers

Adjourn

 5:51 pm Vice Chair Wayne Young made a motion to adjourn. 5:51 pm the Council unanimously approved. The next scheduled meeting will be on April 9<sup>th</sup> 2025 at 5:30 pm.