

Minutes Neighborhood Council 3 (NC3)
May 1, 2025, 6:30 p.m.
Riverview Elementary School - Music Room

CALL TO ORDER: at 6:30 p.m. by Kathleen Gessaman, Chair.

Council members present: Kathleen Gessaman, Aron Krischel, Garri Mauch, Eric Peterson

OLD BUSINESS

- **Minutes from the April 3, 2025 meeting:** Aron Krischel made the motion to accept the minutes as written. Garri Mauch seconded the motion. The motion to accept the minutes as written passed unanimously.
- **Calumet Updates** -There were no Calumet updates provided during this meeting.
- **Vision and Goal Setting** - Vision and goal setting will be held for a future meeting.
- **Committee Reports** – Eric Peterson said he visited with the members of Neighborhood Council 5 and shared information on using Facebook Live to broadcast their meetings.
- **NC3 Facebook Page Update** - Eric Peterson provided the NC3 Facebook page update for the month of April. He said there were four new post likes for a total of 646 likes. There were 14 new post followers for a total of 806 followers. He said there were 15 posts made during the past 28 days. There were 8,591 post views, a post reach of 1,877, and 141 content interactions. He said the most active post this past month was the post made discussing the community cleanup activity.
- **NC3 Crimemapping Report** - Eric Peterson said during the last 28 days in the NC3 area there have been 16 theft/larceny reports, no motor vehicle thefts, two drug/alcohol violations, two burglaries, four vandalism reports, four disturbing the peace reports, no fraud reports, three assault reports, two DUI reports, two vehicle break-in reports, and one arson report.
- **Quiet Zone Concerns** – Garri Mauch said the Council of Councils will be discussing this issue during their upcoming meeting on May 27, 2025.
- **Fundraising for Skyline Park and Valley View Park** – Garri Mauch said she has not received a reply from Calumet on her request for a pavilion donation.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Summer Celebration Date Change** – Garri Mauch said our original scheduled date conflicted with the Touch a Truck event. She said she would like to move our Summer Celebration to the following weekend. Garri Mauch made a motion to move the Summer Celebration to be held from 1-3 p.m. on August 23, 2025. Aron Krischel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Garri Mauch said Frosty's Ice Cream Truck was confirmed for the event, as was Ryan Johnson for music, a face painter, and a bouncy house. She is waiting for confirmation from the Great Falls Public Library Book Mobile, ambulance, fire truck, and a city garbage truck.
- **Electric City Pickleball Support Letter to the Great Falls City Commission** – Aron Krischel read the letter that Eric Peterson drafted to the Great Falls City Commission. Eric Peterson made a motion to accept the letter as written. Aron Krischel seconded the motion. The motion to accept the letter and send it to the Great Falls City Commission passed unanimously.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

- **Neighborhood Concerns:** Neighborhood Council 4 resident Chris Ward voiced his concern about the planned rail extension planned for the Calumet area. He said the Great Falls Wastewater Treatment Plant provides River's Edge Trail access for the public. He said this

provides the only access to the trail for residents of Neighborhood Council 3, and the trail connection has been in planning documents for years. He said one of the stated key conditions of a previous zoning ordinance that the city approved was that Calumet was committed to a ten-foot wide section of paved trail to be constructed on the Calumet property that would provide a bike and pedestrian connection from Smelter Avenue to the River's Edge Trail. He wanted to know if the termination of the use of the crossing at 4th Street N.E. was acceptable to the city. He also wanted to know if the public had any recourse should Calumet takes action that renders it impossible to fulfill the conditions of the PUD ordinance. Garri Mauch said she would discuss this issue during the upcoming Council of Councils meeting. She also suggested that Chris Ward email his concerns to Calumet at greatfallscommunity@calumet.com.

ADJOURN

Aron Krischel made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Garri Mauch seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned by Kathleen Gessaman at 6:56 p.m.

The next regular NC3 meeting will be held Thursday, June 5, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Eric Peterson, secretary.