

Neighborhood Council #6 Minutes
Of Wednesday, October 1, 2025

Sunnyside School Library

Due to the Sunnyside Library Book Fair, the meeting was moved to the Faculty Room of the school.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Michelle Cornellier, Rick Cornellier, Carl Donovan, James Rickley

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Vacant Seat

CITY LIASON: Robert Moccasin

ATTENDEES: Judi Austin, Megan Darrah, Lanni Klasner (Calumet), Dan Palugi (City of Great Falls), Austin Schultz (City of Great Falls), Gretchen Yow (Cascade County Elections)

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

A quorum was established.

OLD BUSINESS:

Minutes of September 3, 2025, were approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Lanni Klasner gave a presentation regarding Calumet Montana and Montana Renewables
 - Explanation of the two separate businesses and their mission
 - Information about the tax situation and monies held in escrow
 - Fielded questions regarding
 - Safety and security of the facilities
 - Traffic Issues
 - Expansion
 - Future of Westgate mall/facility
- Gretchen Yow addressed the upcoming election and several of those issues
 - All Mail-in Ballot
 - For election: Mayor, 2 Commissioners, Retention of a judge, Ballot Issue regarding fireworks
 - Only Neighborhood Council 3 has more candidates than offices, so they will be on a ballot. All other councils have unchallenged slates of candidates, so they will be seated.
 - Deadlines were shared
 - Final election for any write-in candidates
 - New requirement on returning envelope for the birth year of the voter.
- Dan Palugi and Austin Schultz were present to address concerns and issues raised at previous meetings regarding roads and traffic. In particular:
 - Information about the KB housing project
 - Various driving blind spots. Referred to Jim Wideger
 - Crosswalk signs and protections
 - 4th and 17th Dentist congested parking.

- 13th street parking with emphasis on winter hazards
- Road clutter in the Sunnyside area, in particular RVs and boats.
- Citizen attendee Judi Austin raised concerns about dangerous drivers on 17th in the presence of many children
- Request for a speed monitor. Enforcement was difficult.

OTHER BUSINESS

- It was brought to the attention of the council and Robert Moccasin the graffiti on the alley garbage cans. The inquiry led to a discussion about the history and presence of Neighborhood Watch.
- The September police activity report was presented with comparisons over an 18-month period. The recommendation was to address this with a police representative after a full 24-month accumulation of data was completed.
- It was commented that the faculty room of Sunnyside was a more conducive environment for the meeting and that the president inquire whether that could be a permanent change.
- The next meeting will be held on November 5, 2025, at 6:30 at the Sunnyside Elementary School.

ADJOURNED

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 PM with a motion from James Rickley and a second from Carl Donovan. Motion carried 4/0.