

**NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL  
DISTRICT 8  
Thursday, April 19, 2012  
Great Falls Transition Center, Woman's Annex**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Karen Grove, Mike Brainard, Justin Lanes

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:** Carlie Boland

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Patty Cadwell, Lisa Kunz, Jim Santoro, Craig Raymond, Mike Rausch, Joe Sullivan

The meeting was called to order by Karen Grove at 6 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Minutes for the March 22 meeting were not present; they will be presented at the next meeting for the council's approval.

Council Vacancy- There is still a vacancy on the Council, any residents living within the boundary of the council can contact Patty Cadwell if they are interested.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

District Court Judge candidates Mike Rausch and Joe Sullivan introduced themselves and gave a brief background of their experience and goals.

City Clerk Lisa Kunz and City Attorney Jim Santoro gave a presentation on Neighborhood Council meeting protocol. According to Montana constitution all state, county and city meetings must afford citizens the right to participate and the right to know.

Craig Raymond gave a presentation about the scope and intent of the cities Property Maintenance Code. The overall intent is to protect the safety, health and welfare of residents.

A representative from CTA presented plans for the renovation project at the Great Falls Food Bank. The project will clean up asbestos using a \$39,000 Brownfields Grant.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Next month we will discuss the cleaning and flower planting in Memorial Park. Karen suggested that we should consider planting some perennial flowers so re-planting doesn't have to happen every year. We will also plan and schedule the Annual Ice cream Social at the next meeting.

**ISSUES OF NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERN:**

Gale Knotts, 2821 7<sup>th</sup> Ave N, Voiced her concern over loud motor noises coming from the General Mills plant. She mentioned that the loud noise started in February and was making it difficult to sleep at night. Patty Cadwell mentioned that another resident had made a complaint and the Police department was notified.

Jason Kindsvatter, 2200 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave N, expressed his concern over people Drag racing on 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave North.

Motion to adjourn by Karen Grove, second by Mike Brainard; meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Members of the council would like to express their appreciation to the Great Falls Transition Center for their hospitality and use of their facility.

Next meeting scheduled for May 17, 2012.