

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL DISTRICT 5 MEETING
April 16, 2012
Great Falls Clinic Specialty Center, 3000 15th Avenue South

Council members present were: Terry Albrecht, Gloria Bedker, Duane "Mac" McFadden, Eric Ray

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. The March 19, 2012 minutes were read by Chairman Eric Ray and accepted as read.

Eric suggested our Council embrace Neighborhood Watch as it has proven very successful. He introduced Carole Gilmore, Neighborhood Watch coordinator who has started several watches in our neighborhood. Block Captains are really important and she needs more volunteers. From the March 7th meeting held in Mountain View School, Carole has 20 people to be involved. Police Chief Dave Bowen said his department is working closely with Neighborhood Council to help make it even more successful.

OLD BUSINESS;

Eric said he is in contact with Mayor Winters and Commissioner Bill Bronson about the health issue with the "dirty air" and Sletten Construction has been informed by letter. Mr. Bronson has said the City will stay with us until the neighbors are satisfied.

Gayle Dean, Board member at Devonshire, said for Benefis to keep in mind clean up for the Devonshire residents. Gayle is pleased with clean up so far. Eric asked Frank Soltis if Benefis has considered compensating home owners for problems incurred and Frank said it is being talked about.

Don Petersen is concerned about the retaining pond - it is not fenced and he has seen children around it and seems to be an accident waiting to happen.

Frank/Benefis is unaware about this pond but will look into it. Jim Santoro, city attorney said it is good timing to be here tonight to hear about this.

NEW BUSINESS:

Wendy Thomas talked about the Land Use Development Code and proposed amendment, which is on the new city website.

Neighborhood Council meeting protocol was presented by Lisa Kunz, City Clerk and Jim Santoro, City Attorney.

GFPD CHIEF Dave Bowen introduced himself and answered questions. Police Advisory Board is May 17.

District Court Judge Candidate Greg Pinski asked for our votes.

Redistricting meeting is April 18, 2012.

MApril clean up of Russell Park is Saturday, April 28, 2012, at 10am.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45

Next meeting is May 21, 2012, same time, same place.

Gloria F. Bedker
Secretary