

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #5 MEETING
Monday, March 18, 2013 – 7:00 pm
Great Falls Clinic Specialty Center, 3000 15th Ave So

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Chairman Eric Ray with the reciting of the pledge of allegiance. Roll call was taken: Mac McFadden, Terry Albrecht, Gloria Bedker, and Marcia Anderson were, also, present. There were two guests, three students and six neighbors present.

Under new business, Marty Basta presented information about the repair of the walking path in Russell Park. It needs to be resurfaced or rebuilt. 3691 ft. would cost \$39,000 to rebuild and \$27,00 to resurface. He presented three options:

- 1) Use the Park Foundation 501C3, and ask for donations
- 2) Use the Park Trust Fund for matching funds. Park and Rec would help with labor.
- 3) Use an Asphalt grinder and mill for about ½ the cost of rebuilding. Possibly get a contractor to donate, or contact Leadership Great Falls as a possible project.

When asked about dandelion spray, he said the cost is prohibitive. They will try a method using propane and fire to get rid of the gophers.

Steve Hester, the Assistant Fire Chief gave an extensive talk about home safety and fire prevention. He provided a very good handout.

Under petitions and communications, Eric stated that all of the claims had been paid by the Mountain Plains Equity concerning the dust caused by construction of Cascade Ridge. We are pleased with the results. This is what the Council should be doing.

We were asked our opinion about the chicken issue. Gloria and Eric responded and the rest of the council abstained.

Carol Gilmore said that there would be a meeting of Neighborhood Watch Block Captains at Emmanuel Church, 34th and 11th, at 7:00 pm on March 28, 2013

Old Business: Marcia read the minutes from the February 18, 2013 meeting. They were amended to say that Eric would be the Chairperson if the rest of the council would be Block Captains of the Neighborhood Watch. We agreed. The minutes were approved as amended by a motion from Gloria and a second from Terry.

The city portion of the Zadick property has been cleaned up and progress is being made on the County portion of the property

Other Business: Park clean-up is scheduled for Saturday, April 27th from 10:00 – (weather permitting) with lunch at the Bedker's afterwards. Gloria will post signs.

On the topic of extending 15th Ave, would a letter help? Eric called Benefis and asked for contacts.

Election information for Neighborhood Council #5 is due in the Spring instead of August.

Brian Slavik will speak at the next meeting or the May meeting concerning gangs.

Next meeting is April 15, 2013

Gloria moved for adjournment and Mac seconded. Adjournment at 8:43 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Marcia Anderson, Secretary