

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #6 MEETING
May 1, 2013, Sunnyside School Library

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Carl Donovan, Bonnie Haman, Cherry Loney

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Robin Baker

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Old Business:

Minutes of the April 3 meeting were approved with one correction. The filing period for another term on Neighborhood Councils ends June 27 rather than June 7.

Committee Reports:

Pearson Addition – No report

Upper/Lower River Road Drainage – No report

Police Advisory Board – No report

New Business:

Officer Henry provided a community policing report covering January 1, 2013 through May 1, 2013. She noted an increase in DUI's, assaults, abandoned vehicles and other infractions. There was also an increase in traffic stops and other enforcement activities.

Aaron Pursell gave an overview of the Urban Chicken Initiative. A petition is currently in circulation to have the issue voted on by all registered voters rather than decided solely by the City Commission. In order to place it on the ballot, 15% of all voters must sign the petition. He also provided a summary of regulations that would apply if voters ultimately approve chickens in the city. Petitions are available at a number of businesses, a list of which can be found at www.gfchickens.com. Petitions must be turned in by June 19. Aaron stressed he has no personal plans to own chickens, although he feels the democratic process should be followed and that stakeholders should be able to vote on the matter.

Patty asked Aaron to also discuss his candidacy for Mayor. Aaron stated he has filed to run for Mayor in the upcoming election and is interested in promoting more open government and stakeholder involvement.

By unanimous ballot the Council voted to suspend regular meetings during June, July, and August resuming in September since Sunnyside School is not open during summer months. If needed, the Council will hold a special meeting. Earl Salley, 1104 19th St. So. stated the Council could meet at the Labor Temple if needed.

Carl will mail or email a report of the Council of Councils meeting to Council #6 members.

There were no neighborhood concerns.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cherry Loney, Secretary