

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #6 MEETING
September 4, 2013, Sunnyside School Library

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

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Old Business:

Minutes of the May 1, 2013, meeting were approved as written.

Council Vacancy: Julie Parker, 1720 11th Ave. So. expressed her desire to fill the vacant position on Neighborhood Council 6, along with her interest in helping resolve neighborhood problems and in giving back to the community. By unanimous ballot council members voted in favor of Mrs. Parker filling the position vacated by Nick Bourdeau.

Committee Reports:

Commission– No report

Police Advisory Board – Robin reported the Call Center will be moved to the Detention Center to form a combined county-wide Call Center. She noted Neighborhood Watch programs/members have been instrumental in resolving burglaries in recent weeks. She also mentioned recent local arrests for alleged child predatory activities and noted there is significant child predator traffic on the Internet.

Council of Councils – No report

New Business:

Jeff Key, Traffic Engineer for Pescia and Associates, provided an overview of the long range transportation plan for Great Falls and surrounding area. He explained the process used in developing the plan including assessment, findings, and need identification. This information is being presented to various community groups and organizations. It can also be located at <http://www.greatfallslrtp.com>

Robin provided an overview of the Community Gardens project under development at the Aging Services facility (near the PEAK). Garden produce will go to Meals on Wheels and the Great Falls Senior Center.

Michael Shell, candidate for Great Falls City Commission, discussed his background and interest noting some of his specific plans for serving the community as a Commission member.

Aaron Pursell, candidate for Great Falls Mayor, discussed his background and interest in the position noting some of his specific plans for serving the community as Mayor.

Robin Baker noted Verde Park is still on tap for CDBG funds to replace playground equipment. She also expressed her interest in moving forward to establish a Neighborhood Watch program(s) serving the Council 6 area.

Emma White, 1624 19th St. So., discussed parking issues on her block.

Cherry Loney asked that the Council schedule updates for neighborhood residents on the Upper/Lower River Road drainage issues and on the status of the City's work with the group who volunteered to determine the feasibility and/or extent of an SID in the Pearson Addition. Robin will follow up with Jim Reardon to schedule these updates.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cherry Loney, Secretary