

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #5
Monday, April 20, 2015 – 7:00 pm
Great Falls Clinic Specialty Center, 3000 15th Ave So

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Eric Ray at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL: Members Present: Mac McFadden, Terry Albrecht, Eric Ray, Gloria Bedker, and Marcia Anderson along with 27 neighbors including Don Sterhan from Mountain Plains Equity Group and Lowell Springer, architect for Cascade Ridge II project.

NEW BUSINESS: Don Sterhan of Mountain Plains Equity Group gave an update on Cascade Ridge II. Low Income Tax Credits for finance have been approved. Forty units were applied for in 90 days. 100 are on the waiting list. Sixteen more units will be built. US Bank is buying the Tax Credits. First Interstate Bank is providing the construction loan. The start date is early June with a one year construction timeline. May 7th is the Bid Opening date. Bidders are: Sletten, Fisher, Talcott, PacWest of Idaho and Dick Anderson Construction. We will have a meeting with the site foreman about concerns. Lowell Springer, architect, said that, "They will watch for it (dust) and we will listen." The hedgerow needs to be maintained. We have a good relationship and have learned from past mistakes. We want to keep the relationship going.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Gail Dean talked about the petition for an All Way Stop Sign at the intersection at 11th Ave So and 32nd St. There are about 50-60 signatures currently and more to be collected. She will bring it to the next meeting.

Talus Apartments construction manager apologized for the mess and garbage in the fences around Central Catholic School area. It was cleaned up and will be monitored in the future.

OLD BUSINESS

Approve Minutes: The minutes were read and approved on a motion by Terry and second by Mac. Reports Mac reported on the Police Advisory Board. Work is being done on the Law Enforcement Memorial. The weather is turning nice so be alert to averting crime. Lock your garage doors. The Devonshires had 5 break-ins of garages-all doors were unlocked.

Assaults on Police Officers are up. There were 14 in all of last year and already 11 this year. Two thirds of Child Abuse Cases in all of the state are in Cascade County. Posters were distributed concerning Child Abuse. Volunteers for Casa Can were asked for. There are currently 65 volunteers and many more are needed.

The Little Free Library will be installed by the playground after the new path is completed. We will have the 2nd Annual Russell Park Picnic this fall.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The meeting and tour of the Talus Apartments will be postponed until further notice. Andrew Finch will be at our next meeting to report on the construction of 24th and 26th streets. We will invite the Poor Clares. We will ask about the 12th Ave So and 43rd St. Mapril cleanup will be May 16. Meet at the Gazebo. Refreshments will be served.

NEXT MEETING –The next meeting will be May 18th here at the Specialty Clinic. Don't forget the meeting concerning the East End Development at Lewis & Clark Elementary, Thursday, April 30 at 7:00 pm.

ADJOURN The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 on a motion by Gloria and Second by Eric

Respectfully submitted,
Marcia Anderson, Secretary