

## Neighborhood Council 7

October 19, 2015

Civic Center – Gibson Room, 7pm

Council Members in attendance were Tracy Houck, Lisa Meyers, Jim Super and Trevor Mikkelsen. Donna Hartelius was absent. Patty Cadwell Neighborhood Council Coordinator was attending another regularly scheduled Neighborhood Council meeting.

7:05 p.m. Chair Tracy Houck called the meeting to order and led the council in the pledge of allegiance.

### Old Business:

Minutes of September meeting were moved to be adopted by Jim seconded by Lisa, Carried unanimously.

### Committee Reports:

Downtown Development: Report by Carol Bronson. Carol reported on the new structure of the committee. Great Falls applied to be a Montana Main Street Community. Previously Great Falls was an affiliated community. This designation allows for more grants.

Police Report: Coffee with a cop this month is at Schulte's. There is a diversion program in place for young people for minor infractions of the law designed to discourage unlawful behavior at the onset. Increased problems with Meth and Heroin were discussed. Five new police officers were sworn in by the police department. The worst traffic in the city is on 9<sup>th</sup> Street. The homicides since Labor Day were discussed. Tier 3 sex offenders were also discussed. The FBI will be placing a resident agent in Great Falls again. Massage parlors were discussed as problematic and possibly requiring the attention of law enforcement.

Council of Councils: Meeting will be held October 27.

### New Business:

Resident Parking issue discussed at our last meeting was again discussed. A motion was made that Neighborhood Council 7 request that the City of Great Falls rescind the \$25 parking permit for residents, moved by Trevor seconded by Jim, carried unanimously.

Community Policing Report provided by Tad Kimmet. NC7 had the most calls of any area, over 1000 in the last 3 months. This is roughly double the rate of other areas.

### Candidate introductions:

Current Commissioner Bill Bronson was in attendance as well as NC7 chair Tracy Houck. Both are City Commission candidates in the upcoming City election.

Neighborhood Concerns:

Carol Bronson discussed the idea of the Police Department and Code enforcement databases being available to do trending and identify high incident areas.

There was discussion of how the Code Red Alert system could be used in an incident such as the bank robbery last week.

Bill Bronson discussed the significance of the upcoming Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The city commission will be discussing this at their meeting on October 20.

Meeting moved to be adjourned by Trevor @ 8:18, seconded by Lisa, carried unanimously.

Next meeting November 9, 2015

Agenda: No items at this time.