

NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #5
Monday, February 15, 2016 – 7:00 pm
Great Falls Clinic Specialty Center, 3000 15th Ave So

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

ROLL CALL: Members present: Gloria Bedker, Marcia Anderson, Eric Ray, Terry Albrecht and Mac McFadden. There were 18 neighbors present including Jana Cooper from TD&H and Brad Livingston, Director of the Chamber of Commerce.

FINAL APPROVAL OF BYLAWS: The changes to section 5A & B, concerning officers, were approved on a motion by Eric and second by Terry.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jana Cooper from TD&H gave an overview of the Park Master Plan and asked us to collaborate and answer a three question survey about the needs of the park. Questions were about the best facilities, best programs and what are the needs not met. We filled out the questionnaire and gave it to Jana.

Brad Livingston, Director of the Chamber of Commerce, spoke on his plans or goals of the Chamber. There are over 2000 businesses in Great Falls and only 500 belong to the Chamber. He is trying to engage the young professionals and wishes to mentor new young business opportunities. He gave his ABC's: Agriculture, Business Advocates, Community, Defense (military), Education, Fun (tourism), Government, Housing, ...,Leadership (Great Falls, and High School), Medical, ...

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

There have been no dust concerns with the construction of Cascade Ridge II. There is a new site manager who will continue to cooperate with us.

Walmart has re-let the bids. It is coming.

Every council presented a petition concerning the Holman Building.

There was a break-in on 35th St. The residents were not at home. Be sure to make preparations for being gone by notifying neighbors and have packages and mail picked up.

OLD BUSINESS

Approve Minutes: The minutes were read and approved on a motion by Mac and second by Terry.

Reports: Russell Park Concerns about gophers, weeds, graffiti, bumps in the path will be addressed this spring. We will have May/April clean up this spring.

OTHER BUSINESS:

We need to look at making Neighborhood Watch viable in this council and possibly set up an email tree to notify everyone about what is happening and what to look for. Know your neighbors.

We will attend the work session of the City Council on March 1 to present our concerns

NEXT MEETING –The next meeting is March 21. Judge Steve Bolstad – Municipal Court will speak.

We will also have a speaker from the Police Academy.

We will have a construction night in April: 1st Store, Benefis & Grandview, East End development, Taylor Implement...

ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 on a motion by Gloria and second by Mac.

Respectfully submitted,
Marcia Anderson, Secretary