Neighborhood Council #4 Minutes Heritage Baptist Church, 900 52nd Street North April 28th 2016

Council members in attendance: Sandra Guynn, Harold Wheeler, Rudy Tankink, Dan Payne and Curtis Finnicum

Others Present: Patty Cadwell, Brad Livingston, Jerry McKinley, Heather Palermo and other members and students from the public. Sign in sheet attached.

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by Chairwoman Sandra Guynn and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

New Business:

-Great Falls Chamber of Commerce President/ CEO Brad Livingston spoke to the audience about his thoughts of Great Falls in general, about his past with Great Falls and his vision for Great Falls. He also spoke about what he and the Chamber are doing for business owners in town and some of projects going on right now in town. Brad also answered questions from the audience.

-City of Great Falls Traffic Supervisor Jerry McKinley spoke to the audience about the traffic complaint on 52nd Street between 7th Ave S and 9th Ave S. He found out through a traffic study that on an average day this area had 525 vehicles per day and that 85% of those vehicles were traveling 27 MPH or lower. He stated that those numbers were not too concerning compared to the 754 vehicles traveling on 50th Street on an average day. He did say that if the council thought it was necessary there are three different ways to try to lower the speeds on that street; putting up speed limit signs, turning 9th Ave S and 52nd Street into a semi-controlled intersection, or putting in speed humps on the street. He thought that since the street is only 31 feet wide and with vehicles parked on both sides that traffic is slowed by that anyways and that the other measures wouldn't help that much. The council decided that there was no further action needed now and that the issue will be readdressed after Walmart opens to see if there are any changes. Jerry also answered questions from the audience.

- -Heather Palermo with the Great Falls College MSU spoke to the audience about the summer programs held at the college. There are classes for children and classes for adults in the Life Long Learning program. She handed out a summer schedule and answered questions from the audience.
- -School Board Trustee candidate Rudy Tankink spoke to the audience about his views on the school board and his thoughts about the upcoming bond levy.

Other:

-Sandra explained that the Council of Councils meeting is going to be May 24th, 2016 and that this is an opportunity for the councils to share ideas and she asked if there was anything that should be brought up on behalf of Neighborhood Council 4, there were none.

-Sandra also reminded everyone in attendance that MApril cleanup is scheduled for April 27th and May 4th. There was discussion about problem areas in the neighborhood and Patty stated that she would pass those areas along to a group to take care of.

Committee Reports:

-Sandra and Patty spoke about the Neighborhood Councils attending the City Work Sessions and that it seems to be working great. The City Commission is going to get a schedule put together for the Councils to return.

Old Business:

Minutes

Harold made a motion and was seconded by Dan to approve the minutes from the March 24th, 2016 meeting as amended, the motion was passed unanimously.

Next Scheduled meeting: May 26th, 2016

Adjourn

Harold made a motion and was seconded by Curtis to adjourn the meeting at 7:47pm, the motion was passed unanimously.

Minutes Submitted by: Curtis Finnicum, NC4 Secretary