Minutes of the December 14, 2016 Neighborhood Council 2 meeting

Meeting called to order @ 7:05 PM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Quorum was established with Chair Olson, Vice Chair Patera, and Sue Ann Strickland present. Secretary Mike McCoy and Member Al Ferderer were not present.

Chuck Keen of the Russell museum visited with Neighborhood Council members about renovations to the Charlie and Nancy's home ,the museum, recent food damage as well as community programs and volunteer opportunities. Highlights of Mr. Keen's presentation included the fact that Ken and Ellen Sivert are serving as consultants to the museum in order to balance the needs of renovation and historical compliance to keep the museum on the National Register of Historic Places. The Russell has received a Brownfields grant from GFDA for Asbestos mitigation. Repairs are being done to systems which regulate humidity. During the Summer floods no damage was done to the collection but the collection was displaced for a time. Due to recent flooding , Holiday Happenings did not take place but will return next year.

Dave Nordell City of Great Falls Emergency Preparedness planner also spoke to the council. Mr. Nordell has been on the job approximately seven(7) months. He spoke about the recent Gerber fires, summer floods, and structural fires in Great Falls. He explained about Code Red . Code Red is the notification system for emergency alerts. He encouraged neighbors and council members to sign up for Code Red. Mr Nordell talked about partnerships between the Cascade County Health District, the County, and the City to combat flu and other pandemics. He again encouraged everyone to get a flu shot. He also spoke about Sheltering in Place and once a disaster happens how community shelters are opened in conjunction with the Red Cross . Neighbors are to try take necessary steps to shelter in place for 72 hours if possible. Char Olson asked about CERT teams and who is in charge of our local team- Deena Johnson.

No neighbors attended December's meeting so there were no neighborhood Concerns expressed. However, Chair Olson did remind members present that she would report on December's meeting to the City Commission. She asked if we had any concerns. It was bought up about neighborhood parking around the Boys and Girls Club.

Council members then moved on to approval of Minutes. Patty Cadwell has received a request/ complaint from a? Fleming about the lack of NC2 minutes on

the City's website. Chair Olson talked to this individual about her concerns.

We moved on to approval of October/ November minutes. As Mr. Mc Coy was not present, we can not approve October minutes. Sue Ann Stickland made a motion to approve November minutes. Vice Chair Patera seconded . Minutes are approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM next meeting January 11, 2017 7PM West Elementary Library

Council of Councils next meets January 24,2017.

The Police Advisory Board did not meet but members did discuss the Tribune article on car thefts.

Sandy Mares was not present so Council members did not receive a report from the Westside Flood district.