

**NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL #6 MEETING
October 1, 2014 Sunnyside School Library**

Council Members Present: Carl Donovan, Darrell Beauchamp, Julie Parker, and Cherry Loney

Council Members Absent: Robin Baker

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Old Business:

Minutes of the September 10, 2014 meeting were approved with a notation that the meeting was actually held on September 10.

Committee Reports:

Police Advisory: Darrell reported on the Police Advisory Committee noting animal calls and abandoned vehicle calls are complaint driven. Also Animal Control officers are not on duty evenings unless there is an emergency.

Pearson Addition SID: Cherry contacted James Raines and Jim Reardon for an update on the work group and status of their efforts. There have been no further work group meetings. City staff are embarking on a second income survey of residents of Marillyn Drive, Ellen Drive, and Marly Drive in hopes of getting grant funding to assist with an SID project. Jim Reardon and staff will attend our meeting in November or December to provide an update for neighborhood home owners.

New Business:

Community Police Report: Sgt. Bryan Slavik provided the neighborhood police report. He spoke about the Citizens' Academy, which is currently in its 14th session. The purpose of the program is to help citizens get to know what's happening in the GFPD. Application information is available on the city's website. He also noted GFPD is using a process called DDACTS (Data Driven Approach to Crime and Traffic Safety). It is a data driven model supported by a partnership among Department of Transportation and the Department of Justice that integrates location-based crime and traffic crash data to determine the most effective methods of deploying law enforcement and other resources. It draws on the deterrent value of highly visible traffic enforcement and the knowledge that crimes often involve motor vehicles with a goal of reducing crime, crashes, and traffic violations. He also noted Neighborhood Watch has made a big difference in crime in Great Falls neighborhoods. Sgt. Slavik reported there were 226 traffic complaints June thru September in the Council #6 area and 112 thefts, most of which were related to the mall.

City Trust Account: Patty Cadwell discussed a trust account with funds available to Neighborhood Council #6. She said the account was started by Rady McDonald to establish a memorial when her daughter was killed several years ago. The account is overseen by Patty, who is currently researching the history and intended use of funds. The account currently has \$3200 available. Patty will contact Rady for more information and how the fund can align with Council #6 activities for neighborhood improvements and then follow up at a future meeting.

Neighborhood Concerns:

Anita Hepner, 1711 16th Ave. So., stated now that 19th Street is used for a detour, traffic problems are compounded. Drivers do not yield consistently and the risk of an accident or a pedestrian getting injured is high. The Council suggested she call Jerry McKinley.

Darrell Beauchamp, 319 24th Ave, stated the "S" curve on Upper River Road has numerous potholes forcing vehicles to the middle of the road. Patty will verify who is responsible for road maintenance on Upper River Road and notify them of this situation.

Julie Parker, 1720 11th Ave. So., noted the 8 Ball Inn is under new ownership and is concerned about the potential for noise problems resurfacing. Patty noted the property is zoned commercial and nothing can be done unless/until there is actually a problem.

Other Business: None

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cherry Loney, Secretary