

Neighborhood Council 4 Minutes
Heritage Baptist Church, 900 52nd Street North
23 July 2015

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

Others present: Patty Cadwell, Neighborhood Council Coordinator, and Brad Livingston
Guest speaker: Tanya Houston, Health Officer – Cascade City-County Health Dept.

Chair Sandra opened the meeting at 6:30pm.

New business:

Tanya Houston, Health Officer for the Cascade City-County Health Dept. gave a very informative and interesting update about the services provided by the agency. As part of her presentation, she indicated that the agency has a total of 45 employees, and hopes to be accredited by the spring of 2016. She also reported that all restaurants must be visited by a sanitarian a minimum of once per year. The department is on schedule to publish online Cascade County restaurant inspections by the fall of 2015. Tanya also answered questions and provided other details with regard to their annual report, of which copies were made available.

Committee Reports:

Police Advisory Board:

Sandra attended the meeting on July 16, and gave an in-depth report on the topics covered by Chief Bowen. A review of the topics discussed includes:

- SROs (School Resource Officers) and their job duties. Chief Bowen also indicated that school calls overall were down a bit from last year. Most calls concerned disorderly conduct, assaults, and the use of marijuana. There were no weapon calls.
- Fireworks – Calls for 2015 were down compared to 2014 - 68 vs. 168. Fire calls were up due to the very dry conditions. As always, there continues to be complaints. Chief Bowen indicated that there are plans to form a city/county committee to discuss the situation.
- Texting and Calling – Chief Bowen indicated that the use of hand-held devices while driving is increasing. Patrolmen will be closely monitoring.
- Downtown panhandlers – The problem seems to have increased. Volunteers for the police department are monitoring the situation.

Old Business:

Minutes:

A motion was made and seconded to approve the June minutes. Motion passed 3-0. Dan abstained.

Other Business:

City Commissioner Candidate Brad Livingston introduced himself, and very briefly discussed his candidacy.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Guynn, Chair and Acting Secretary