

Neighborhood Council #1
Meeting Minutes
12 Apr 2016

Members Present: Neal Dubois, Paul Warrick, Bill Thomas, Dave Foscue, Mike Flaherty

Others Present: Patty Cadwell, Jim Reardon, Joe Murphy, Fred Anderson, Roxanne Ochs, Harry Kokko, six neighborhood residents

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 7PM

Old Business:

Minutes of the March meeting were approved

Faith Lutheran Church Update – No rep was present but members noted that a great deal of construction is underway on the site

Police Advisory Board – Mike Flaherty briefed that he attended the recent Police Advisory Board meeting. No significant changes from our last update. Our neighborhood still has the lowest crime rate in the city. A number of car break-ins have been reported. All residents were reminded to keep their cars locked and report any stolen items to the police. Mike has been selected to be the public spokesman for the Police Advisory Board

New Business:

Jim Reardon briefed the group on the city's plans for street maintenance. He noted that the city does between 40 and 50 blocks of overlay each year and provided board members a handout showing the areas covered. He also addressed three concerns voiced by neighborhood residents

–The condition of East Fiesta Drive -- The city is studying the possibility of doing mud jacking and grinding to try to smooth the uneven concrete street surface

–The lane shift in the middle of the intersection at 6th Avenue Southwest and 10th Avenue South when proceeding from 6th Avenue Southwest to Fox Farm Road -- The city will consider placing a “Lane Shift” sign next to the overhead traffic light

–The immediate left turn some motorists are making when merging from Flood Road onto 14th Street SW -- This left turn crosses a lane of parallel traffic going in the same direction to the left of the motorist making the turn. The city will consider erecting a “No Left Turn” sign.

Joe Murphy of Big Sky Civil & Environmental, Inc, briefed the group on plans to build a new motel in the area near Dahlquist Realty. Plans are on track with no obstacles seen. Businesses in the area have been advised of the plans with no objections noted. The motel will probably not be “Townhouse” motel rather a chain not yet determined

Fred Anderson, a Republican candidate for House District 20 spoke to the group and remained to visit with residents after adjournment

A city commission work session for Council #1 will be held on Tuesday, 3 May, in the Gibson Room at the Civic Center at 5:30PM. More info will be forthcoming

Other Business: Roxanne Ochs related her concerns that some post office boxes are standing in the middle of the sidewalk hindering pedestrian traffic and causing a safety hazard to adults and children in her neighborhood. Areas she noted were 1st West Hill Drive and adjacent streets. Because the posts are embedded in the sidewalk, Jim Reardon will check with the city to see if any rules are being violated

Meeting was adjourned at 7:42PM