

## FINAL Meeting Minutes – WSNA – 2019-06-17

Tyson Pruett called the meeting to order at 7:05PM. 26 members signed the roster, but more bodies were present. E.M. moves to approve minutes – second by Linda Bierly. Vote unanimous approval.

### **Presentation – Bill Ness - ODOT**

Wallace Road resurfacing – from Michigan City Lane to Edgewater. 3 inch grind, 3 inch new surface. Safety improvements at intersections – 5 crosswalk beacons to be installed. 200 curb ramp improvements.

<https://www.oregon.gov/odot/projects/pages/project-details.aspx?project=20122>

Question – When? Construction starts Nov-Dec 2020, for concrete. Asphalt starts summer 2021. Finished Autumn 2021. Orchardview to Edgewater is all night work. Orchardview to Michigan City Lane is mixed day and night, with daytime lane use restrictions (down to 1 lane in places), mainly because there is less traffic.

Comment – Raised/lifted sidewalk pieces? Yes, will be addressed.

Question – Traffic Signals? Will be replaced. Signal Timing? I will defer. Please email me at

[William.ness@odot.state.or.us](mailto:William.ness@odot.state.or.us).

Presentation to be attached to minutes when received.

### **Presentation – Toni Whitler – Salem Parks**

Master Planning Effort for Eagle's View Park starting this Fall. 5 acre undeveloped park

This summer we will make some interim improvements – pet waste bag dispensers, garbage bags, soft trail around perimeter, and a picnic table or two. Tibby Larson is organizing volunteers for the soft trail effort. Recycled wood chips / bark chips is the material that needs spreading! Eagle's View flyer handout – to attach.

### **Presentation – Laura Morett – YMCA – Absent**

### **Presentation – Jessica Blakely – Salem Housing Authority**

2 complexes, the Glen Creek Apartments on Orchard Heights and Brush College Village at 1485 Brush College will be renovated and updated. They are 40-year-old buildings. These buildings will be purchased and converted so that the Authority will be the owner, rather than HUD. Residents will be temporarily displaced, then moved back in, while the buildings get renovated and updated. Starting in September, a 15-month project. Displacement will be rolling, 30 days at a time, and assistance moving and moving back is provided. That is, no one unit or resident would be displaced for longer than 30 days (barring unforeseen construction issues.) A few of the 5-bedroom units will be converted to 1-bedroom ADA accessible units. 5 bedroom waiting list is 40 or so people, but 1 bedroom list is over 6,000.

### **Reports:**

**Salem Police** – Ofc. Bennett - Water Safety – be careful out there.

Question – Drugs near McDonalds parking lot? We patrol that multiple times daily, and I've addressed many issues personally. Let us know if the situation is not improving.

**Salem Police – Officer Brent Hedrick – Compliance Code II officer**

Derelict properties are on the city's website – <https://www.cityofsalem.net/CityDocuments/property-violations-report.pdf>

Chapter 50.550 – accessory structures – Built skillfully with approved materials, and maintained. You are encouraged to have civil communication with your neighbors about those kinds of structures. There are some mediation services – Neighbor to Neighbor 503-585-0651 and 503-623-3111. Agreements at mediation are binding, so a breach of mediation contract can then escalate to legal action. Ultimately, you can file a complaint online if there is a violation of city code.

Please do use the online complaint system – [www.cityofsalem.net](http://www.cityofsalem.net) community resources.

**City Councilor Cara Kaser – Absent**

**City Councilor Jim Lewis – Absent**

**Land Use – Sarah Duval – Nothing to Report**

**Parks – Micki Varney**

Grass near community garden being cut? It should be cut now. It is mowed by an inmate crew, because the hill is too steep for the city's tractor mower.

Flying model airplanes – This is prohibited in city of salem parks. Code needs an update to include "drones."

Playground equipment going in at College Heights park.

Parks Board meetings - Rm 325 – July 11<sup>th</sup>

**Traffic & Infrastructure – Nick Fortey – Nothing to Report**

**WSBA – Absent**

**Transit – Absent**

**Edgewater – Jessica Pries**

6<sup>th</sup> annual Super Saturday this past Saturday. Largest we've had yet. Very proud and excited. Handouts are on the table. Edgewater Partnership meetings are 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays at Noon, at Boys and Girls club. Last cruise was a bicycle tour. Next is June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 3 o' clock, looking for Osprey nests and other birds. West Salem Farmer's market is going strong. July 11<sup>th</sup> is coffee with the Mayor for the first hour of the Market. June 20<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 – 2 – Riverfront Park – Public Works day.

**Watershed – E.M. Easterly**

Still waiting for the answer of the funding question from the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board (OWEB). We're also going to spend a little bit of money to update our online presence. Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup> is the next meeting.

Brandon Fahlman – annexation of parcel – picture here, just north of Nautilus, off Levi St NW, south of Michigan City Lane.



Look for it in Land Use soon.

E.M. Easterly – Wallace Marine Park – See attachments for discussion.

Linda Bierly makes a motion as follows – “I move that the WSNA request the City of Salem reestablish the pre-2008 Wallace Marine Park boundary or that the city undertake the legal process of meeting the Salem Greenway Development Permit approval process to support the 2008 partitioning and change of use of park land within the Salem Willamette Greenway boundary.” Seconded by Les Margosian.

Limited additional discussion mainly surrounding understanding the motion at hand. Vote - 13 aye, 0 nay, 5 abstentions. Motion carries. WSNA will support EM’s efforts to have the city correct this 2008 anomaly. **The West Salem Neighborhood Association vote on this decision was made only by those in attendance on 2019-06-17 without prior public agenda notification.**

**Old Business** – Shopping bags – Jim has lots of them still. Just ask! Free!

**New Business** –

Eagle Scout neighborhood – only 1 road into the neighborhood, but parking from the Eola Heights apt. complex across Gehlar St. Eagle Scout Road visibility is reduced. Citizens asking for no-parking along one side of Eagle Scout Road. Nick Fortey and WSNA will help carry this forward to the city. Vote next meeting to advance this to the Citizens Advisory Traffic Committee.





Meeting ended at 8:30 PM

Respectfully submitted – Chris Wilhelm – WSNA Secretary