



WSNA General Meeting Minutes February 15, 2021

Call Meeting to Order
-Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda
-Any additions to the agenda from the body
 No additions from the body

Mike-we do have a vacancy for the Secretary position. If you are interested in volunteering, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mike asked for approval of minutes for the last two meetings, motion was made to approve and passes.

- **MARINE DRIVE UPDATE**

-Steve Anderson

Status of Right-of-Way purchases for Maine Dive Cameo Street to Block North of Harritt Drive. June 2019, 39% City Owned. January 2021, 71% City Owned
January 22, 2021, members of the WSNA Executive Committee and Friends of Marine Drive had a site visit with James Lutz (Applegate Landing) at Harritt Drive and Marine Drive. Mr. Lutz is in the preconstruction process to develop a 48 plus affordable Veteran's housing project here in West Salem. This affordable veteran housing project is listed as an environmentally friendly designed complex consisting of five plus buildings each 3 stories with 12 units ranging form studio style to 1, 2 & 3 bedrooms. All first-floor units will be ADA or adaptable for folks with disabilities.

Beverly asked about the information in Facebook about a long-term plan that grants to extend second street under Wallace road to Marine Drive.
Steve Anderson stated that currently the Urban Renewal development group put on a proposal for a crossing either under or over but is has been tabled.
Councilor Lewis commented that the first part of Marine drive that Stephen is in the transportation plan and the second part that Beverly brought up is just in planning discussions.

- Steve Van Pelt stated that after the meeting is completed the inclusion committee will stay on to answer any questions.
- Mike wanted to thank Mr. Evans office for getting ODOT to clean up under the bridge at Wallace road.
- **Emergency Preparedness**

Gregory Walsh, MS, CEM
Emergency Preparedness Manager
City of Salem | Emergency Management

Mike introduced Mr. Walsh from the Emergency Preparedness of Salem. Mike explained that we would like him to be a guest several times a year to discuss issue that could come during that time.

Mr. Walsh started out by responding to how do they work with winter storms and a lot of it starts with preparedness by working with the National weather services, ODOT, the State. The City of Salem has contracts with two weather services that provide update when a major storm hit. Mr. Walsh was receiving updated every two hours during the latest storm activity.

Based on the pre planning process and information that they were receiving they pre staged equipment to be prepared for the activity that was going to take place.

They have four to six truck that can spray a chemical for de-icing and because of that you were able to get back on the roads fast. They were also able to pre-treat major roadways based on information received.

For snow event the city only has a few vehicles equipped with plows because we do not get a lot of snow.

Mr. Walsh went on to explain that they have dedicated teams to perform planning issue around major events as an example he went to describe the gauges that they have in all the major rivers, streams and with this effort they are able to be predicted when a river will crest.

When the river was going to crest the first time, they went out to the homeless and informed them but there was a buy in from them. However, the second time they went out and explained that the river was going to crest the homeless listen and moved.

One of the questions asked was about staging equipment over in West Salem the answer was that they have a small area that they use when needed but the equipment needs to be in one location for maintenance, availability, and security.

The CERT is a group of people who are put through training in the city of Salem and the state. They are trained to help in search and rescue going to homes to locate people and get them to a common area, communications how to the neighborhood team communicate among them selves up to a single point to get more resources.

- **Wallace Road Project**

Carol S. Houk

Transportation Project Manager

Carol opened with an overview of the project it originally started out as a paving project the road will be paved from Michigan City Lane down to Edgewater. This was the main project then it combined with a couple of other projects one was an ADA project. There are about 150 ramps that will be put in. The other part that was added was pedestrian safety and bike lanes. This is where the signals and audible countdowns improvements going in as well as five rectangle beacons that will be going in.

During the work there will be single lane closures and lot of that will be at night when paving is taking place. the ramp work will be done during the day. The project is scheduled for two years to complete.

Carol introduced Vidal Francis he is the resident engineer of the project and the person we can reach out to for noise complaints, vehicles parked in wrong area, etc.

Vidal explained in a little more detail on the project, and I would suggest that if you would like to hear more on that that the video recording ahs that and Vidal comes on at 1:08 into the meeting.

- Mr. Lewis discuss that last legislative session 2020 there were two bills being brought up one was for a sobering center and the other was for a navigation center. These bills are supposed to come up again in the 2021 session and Mr. Lewis will keep us posted on any developments.
- Councilor Stapleton stated that the fifty plus center will be helping people who have lost internet service because of this storm and need to register for their COVID vaccinations.
- The link below will take you to the video recording of our meeting the above are excerpts from the meeting.
- <https://westsaleмна.com/february-2021-general-meeting-zoom-recording/>

- **Special Note:**

We asked and received contact information for the Wallace Road project if anyone has an issue or complaint please see below:

- Contact Information for Wallace Road Project

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