

WSNA Meeting Minutes

July 19,2021

Call Meeting to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:01PM

Pledge of Allegiance > Led by Jason Staats

AGENDA

No additions to the agenda were made Motion to approve agenda made by EM Easterly Second by Micki Varney Vote was called motion passed

Meeting Notes

- Marine Drive
 - Steve Anderson stated that this project is going very slowly and hope it will pick up in September. 70% of the land is purchased. WSNA will hold off sending formal letter on this project until September
- Park Bench Grant
 - Micki Varney gave a brief update that she will meet with the city to produce the location the bench will be installed and that it will take 8 weeks to complete the installation.
- WEB Page
 - Jason Staats gave a update on the Web page and he is currently working on a training video for the executive board on how to use the page.
- Salem PD
 - Officer Jantz was in attendance and provide a couple of key points
 - National night out is scheduled for August 3rd
 - New crime report is out an available for people to review
 - he encouraged everyone to fill out a report when a crime takes place

- Rep Paul Evans gave a brief update on three big areas:
 - Budget
 - ARPA funding
 - Investments in housing, improvements in areas where systemic racism must be challenged, and in wildfire response/recovery and preparedness
 - Things we were unable to accomplish, but are working on
 - Mental Health
 - Made initial investments, but more work required to maximize long term benefits
 - Transportation
 - I-5 corridor impacting everything else within transportation investments realm
 - Reapportionment/redistricting
 - o Census Bureau failed to perform baseline job
 - Thing we need to keep an eye on through oversight
 - Employment/Unemployment support
 - Housing investments- especially programs helping landlords and tenants
- Councilor Stapleton provided us with a quick update on what she has been working on:
 - She held a meeting with the Edgewater business groups and brain stormed ideas for the upcoming fall months
 - o Continue work on the zoning subcommittee-last meeting is Aug
 - Started work on the library steering committee, there will be a community survey coming out soon, please take the survey and share it with friends and family
 - her motion to close Union and Winter St on Sat. 9-3pm, May -Oct is up for a vote at the next council meeting. Please provide comment if this interest you
 - Boards and commissions opening for West Salem: west Salem redevelopment advisory board needs a resident or business/property owner to serve
 - Concerns over Orchards Height and Wallace Road needing more street sweeping were brought to my attention and I have talked to staff about it
 - Updating on sheltering-
 - Old DMV adding twenty-five beds,
 - 3737 Portland Rd opening to fifty inside campers, eight car park, and thirty temporary shelters.
 - Windows to the West-Sixteen family car park
 - UGM opening this week Eighty hotel rooms for the medically fragile opening in Oct/Nov
 - Navigation center opening at the end of the year.
 - we still need more sheltering options for women

- Bylaws,
 - The bylaw process was reviewed, and the new bylaws were brought forward for a second time
 - E.M. Easterly made a motion to approve the bylaws
 - The motion was second by Micki Varney
 - Discussion was called and no discussion was engaged
 - Vote was called and motion passed to approver bylaws
 - The new bylaws will go into effect on November 1,2021
- Pastor Finley
 - Presented a zoning request on which he is currently working. WSNA responded that at this time we can not comment on the plan until we receive an official notification from the city. However, we did thank him for the heads up and what they are planning to do this type of communication helps West Salem understand new projects as they are presented to us from the city.
- Motion to adjourned meeting was made by Micki Varney and seconded by E.M Easterly. No discussion motion was passed, and meeting ended 9:00 ish.