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Meeting Minutes

January 4, 2022. 6:30pm

Location: ZOOM
Meeting ID: 835 1553 9166
Passcode: 784762

Welcome – Ted Burney, SWAN Chair *Introductions of Board members: Ted Burney –Chair P Allison Houck -Co-Chair. P John Lattimer- Land Use Chair P Ron Eachus Board Member, Land Use Team P Leonard Nelson, Board Member Pat Norman, Parks Committee Chair P Carol Grimwood -Board Member, Watershed & Land Use Team	5 min
Darren Howard-Board Member, Land Use Team P Becky Miner-Board Member, Past Chair-P Ken Freeman-Secretary/Treasurer P	
INVITED Guests: Sergeant Demmer, SPD P Deb Romano, Code Enforcement, SPD P Justin Walker, Salem Fire Department P Councilor Nordyke, Salem City Council. P	
 Announcements: Bond Measure for Upcoming Election. We will do a deep dive in our February 1st SWAN meeting. Westminster Presbyterian Safe Sleep plan. City Micro-shelter planning. Zoom meetings on January 11th and 19th to discuss with Gretchen Bennett 	
 Minutes Approval - December 2021 SWAN Board Quorum Motion Made to approve minutes as submitted. Motion Seconded. Motion Carried. December Minutes Approved. 	5 min

15 min

Police Report SPD Officer & Code Officer Report

Sargent Demmer.

- #1: Gilbert Street Near Schurman Drive. Enforcement actions being taken.
- #2: Traffic Control on Gilbert, Schurman and Crestview drive now in active enforcement.
- #3: Catalytic Converter Thefts are way up. Damages to the vehicles are often thousands of dollars. If this happens, please file a report. We can't help if we don't know there is a problem.
- #4: SPD toy drive a huge success. We touched 136 families this year and made the Holidays something special.
- Q: Loud cars: What should we do?
- A: Enforcement actions being taken.
- Q: Catalytic Converters? How many?
- A: Taller vehicles with high ground clearance are the easiest to get too.
- Q: When we see a crime in progress, or identify likely illegal activity, what should we do?
- Closing: Thank you from Councilor Nordyke for prioritizing the Gilbert Street situation.

Officer Debo Romano.

- #1: We are still working remote. Best contact is via cellphone. (971-600-6283)
- #2: Staffing: A few people are moving in Code Enforcement. We are now looking after both Code 1 and Code 2 violations.
- #3: Gilbert Street. We are addressing this, but understand it is a process. Notifications have been issued. Progress is being made. We are not done, by any means, but we are pushing ahead. I will probably drive by again, later this week to see how we are doing
- Q: Who would we chat with about messy yards and unkempt property?
- A: That's me. D.ramano@cityofsalem.net
- Q: We have a report of a neighbor who has put up a cyclone fence and lined it with barbed wire. It looks like an attempt to make a parking lot in a residential area.
- A: That's me. D.ramano@cityofsalem.net
- Q: Do we know who would get info about the Safe Sleep guests planned for the Westminster Presbyterian property?
- A: This is the first I have heard of it. Let SPD know and they will let us know.
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City Council Update Ward - Councilor Nordyke (vnordyke@cityofsalem.net)

Thank you for having me: We had a banner year. Thank you from Councilor Nordyke for prioritizing the Gilbert Street situation.

We have had a banner year in Salem. Here are the highlights

- 1) Homelessness: Nav Center, UGM, Arches Inn, Hope Plaza, Portland Road shelter site. More coming.
- 2) Police Department Audit: Data and community. We need both.
- 3) The City is transitioning from unmanaged to managed shelter sites
- 4) New water Treatment facility
- 5) Climate action Task force
- 6) "Our Salem" Comprehensive planning process underway
- 7) New Downtown Hotels, Apartments, the Amphitheater and a much improved downtown dining experience
- 8) Library Seismic upgrades complete and we have lowered the barriers to access by providing free parking.
- 9) Emergency Alert system? Sign up.
- Leadership changes in Salem: New Chief of Police, New CFO, New Librarian, New City Manager.
- 11) We have been supporting local business with a mix of grants, donations, and rezoning.
- 12) 7648 people are in Publicly supported housing through the Salem Housing Authority. The includes 1152 seniors, 1162 people with disabilities and over 3000 children. Cottage Cluster, ion Market Street is coming for low income seniors.
- 13) We welcomed the Ironman competition to Salem and expect them back for years to come.
- 14) Many, many more projects in the delivery and planning stages. Stay tuned.

10 min 5 min q/a

 Program: Holiday Fire Safety and Emergency Preparedness. Justin Walker, Salem Deputy, Fire Marshall. Fire Extinguisher 101. PASS. PULL. AIM, SQUEEZE SWEEP. If you are ordering one, get a 2-A:10-B:C. a little more Money, but a lot more protection. Cooking with deer fat fryers. Avoid problems by doing things like roasting turkey outside, away from combustibles. If you are going to do it anyway, get a K class extinguisher, then call 911. Dryer fires. Lint is combustable. Best way to fight these fires is to prevent them. Clean your lint trap as well as the exhaust hose at least twice a year. Smoke alarms. Best to re-battery the the older units when the time changes (Twice per year) and replace anything older than 5 years with newer Li-on battery technology, which lasts 10 years. Carbon Monoxide alarms. Use them properly watch the placement on these. CO is a heavier gas and rides along the floor. If it goes off, leave and ventilate the area. Portable heaters. Make sure you use ones which are indoor rated, UL list and have a TIP function. If not, replace. Do not use, under any circumstances, any exterior heaters indoors. Personal Safety. Have a 7 day plan. Food, water, and means of sustenance for seven days. Generators. Run these outdoors, in well ventilated areas. Use longer extension cords. 	20 min
 Land Use Update & Reports, John Latimer, Land Use Chair Schurman apartments. We have not seen the final plan, but they are circulating preliminary designs to test the waters. The city does not have a final plan, as of yet. Unified Development Plan updates. Our comments are due on Monday, the 11th. Developing list of items we would like to see in any future Bond measure funding plan. 	20 min
Committee Updates: Parks- Pat Norman, Parks Chair SPIFF Grants due the month. Fircrest Message boards. we are after a few statements from business owners supporting the effort. We are waiting on some info on Candalaria options. We are going to invite a few other Neighborhood Associations into our conversation about a Minto Brown Park Wildlife Refuge sign.	5 min

Review / Vote on SWAN goals and Priorities for 2022 Review Swan Goals and Priorities.

- Motion Made to approve SWAN plan as attached to December Minutes
- Motion Seconded.
- Motion Carried.
- SWAN Goals and Priorities Approved.

Community Input and Neighborhood Concerns:

NOTE: Please email extensive neighborhood concerns or questions and additional agenda items prior to the meeting so they can be accommodated. For more information contact Ken Freeman, SWAN Sec/Treas at kkfreeman.489@gmail.com

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