



## **WSNA Meeting Minutes**

**May 18, 2022,**

### **Call Meeting to Order**

Meeting was called to order at 7:03PM

### **AGENDA**

Agenda was reviewed and no additions were made to the agenda

- EM motion to accept agenda, Micki 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passes

### **Minutes Approval**

No corrections, deletions or additions were made to the February minutes.

- Steve Anderson motion to approve April minutes, Matt F 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passes

### **Discussions**

- Senator Patterson
  - District boundaries have changed
  - Last session
    - \$13m for housing, mobile crisis units, expanding access to services
    - Polk County youth homeless pilot project
    - \$9m to help schools recover from pandemic
- Report from Counselor Stapleton
  - Update on bond
  - Sidewalk/street painting in Grant neighborhood
  - City Manager interviews June 2. Process is currently confidential. When couple finalists are chosen their names will be public.
  - First Fridays and Movies in the Park are back
  - Lots of summer activities for kids
  - Salem Bike Vision <https://salem-bike-vision.mailchimpsites.com/>
- Report from Counselor Varney
  - Tour of Marion Polk Food Share

- Q: what is the status of Marine Drive?
  - Varney: Reduced cost to \$35m. A lot of support in current bond plan.
  - ODOT will have to do a bond for improvements to the bridges
- Q: what is status of staff report on changes that could be made to current bridge?
  - Stapleton: Will look into that report. City does have a plan to seismically upgrade the water pipes that go across the bridge.
- EM: encourage briefing on Salem neighborhood associations for city manager candidates.
- Varney: Suggestions from congestion task force. When work is done on the Center St bridge traffic will be impacted. Will look into traffic pattern changes for 2025 when the work is done
- Anderson: history of traffic and congestion
- Officer Kofoid
  - Bridge work this summer, going out for bid soon
  - New positions for officers, public works folks
  - [SB 48](#): pre trial release.
  - Police officer's car was stolen. Car chase, dispatched a bunch of resources.
  - Aware of upcoming events on Edgewater
- Bond
  - Stapleton: overview of bond. A few bonds were going to expire and taxes would go down, City wanted to keep our taxes stable.
  - Varney: what is included in the bond that impacts west Salem
  - City staff will only be able to talk about the bond until August, it will be up to counselors to get it across the finish line. Any help is welcome!
  - Important to note that taxes will not change, current rates will continue
- Our Salem
  - What is the review process?
    - Public hearing on Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> reading on May 23<sup>rd</sup>, **public hearing June 13.**
    - Comment that this is not enough time because the hearing is before the next WSNA general meeting
    - WSNA has been engaged all along
    - WSNA is still waiting for the traffic report and supporting documentation
- Committee reports
- Adjourn 8:36pm