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Meeting Agenda
July 5th, 2022. 6:30pm

Location: Fir Crest Park

Meeting Notes

Welcome –Ted Burney, SWAN Chair Introductions of Board members.

Ted Burney –Chair P

Allison Houck -Co-Chair

John Lattimer- Land Use Chair

Leonard Nelson, Board Member

Pat Norman, Parks Committee Chair P

Carol Grimwood -Board Member, Watershed & Land Use Team P

Darren Howard-Board Member, Land Use Team

Becky Miner-Board Member, Past Chair P

Ken Freeman-Secretary/Treasurer P

Announcements: Ted Burney, SWAN Chair

Welcome to Fir Crest Park.

Please meet our newest member of the Salem City Council, Linda Nishioka.

Linda Greetings. I start in January and my ward covers parts of eight neighborhood associations. Looking forward to working with you.

Police Report, Salem Police Department. Sgt. Demmer, SPD

Community Safety. We have had an Office of Community Safety, staffed by Mike Johnson, who has recently retired. He developed a program on how to be a good witness. Other trainers are LT. Deb Aguilara.

Things you can do:

*Be a good witness
Use good situational awareness.
Be Active
Do not hesitate.
Report things you see,*

National night out on August Second. Sign up for an officer visit through the portal. It's a place to read what's going on. The Registration deadline for National Night out is July 27th.

Bias crimes and bias incidents. News release. Bias crime 2 is a misdemeanor. Bias crime 1 is hurtful. Incident, bias incident is graffiti with a bias undertone. For a bias crime to occur it must be directed at a protected class. Resources: ODJ, advocates. 844.924.2427, or report online. Salem has a Human Rights Commission. Gretchen Bennett. 593-544-2371

*Homelessness on public property: Idaho court ruling on public property.
Can report homeless camping via city website.*

Car Care: Rather than give people expensive fix it tickets, we are giving them Car Care certificates. Let's get these cars fixed, rather than make a bad situation worse. Up to 20% off in needed repairs.

Fun Fridays. Highland North Gate neighborhood in July.

Q; Racing on Homestead Road. What to do?

A: We will let the people know who can do something about it. Our traffic team.

City Council Update - Councilor Linda Nishioka. *Ltnish@Gmail.com for now. I start in January and my ward covers parts of eight neighborhood associations.*

What are you seeing?

Any trends?

Homeless shelters. Safeway site opening soon. Cascade park? Officer on contact team, trash cleanup occurring.

Transportation. A new plan is coming.

Library. Asked about meeting room accommodations.

Question: Could we (SWAN) access the library for in person and or hybrid meetings?

Right now the 7 PM closing time limits this for us.

A: I will check and get back to you.

Approval of Minutes from June:

SWAN Board Quorum

Motion Made to approve June minutes with corrections

Motion Seconded.

All in Favor,

Motion Carried.

Program: Reduce and Reuse- Presented by Debbie Miller, Marion County Master Recycler- The most effective way to reduce waste is to not create it in the first place. Making a new product requires a lot of materials and energy - raw materials must be extracted from the earth, and the product must be fabricated then transported to wherever it will be sold. As a result, reduction and reuse are the most effective ways you can save natural resources, protect the environment and save money. Buy what you need, look for things with less packaging (lettuce, produce), buy reusable over disposable items (bring your own cup and silverware to work), maintain and repair products, borrow, rent, or share items. Bring reusable grocery bags and produce bags

Mixed Recycling – Paper- Newspaper including ads, junk mail including plastic windows, office paper, file folders, note paper, magazines, catalogs, gift wrap (not foil), phone books. No shredded paper or egg cartons. Only clean pizza boxes.

Cardboard-corrugated cardboard boxes, cereal type boxes (no food packaging from refrigerator or freezer), shoe boxes, cracker boxes

Metal-steel, tin, and aluminum cans with lids attached or sealed in can. Small scrap metal like nails and screws and metal caps can be recycled. Cannot be loose, must be sealed inside a can - just crimp a can. Aluminum foil if it is completely clean and dry and sealed in a can.

Plastic-jugs and bottles 12 ounces or larger in size (can of soda size)(soda, water, milk, juice, shampoo, household cleaning , detergent)-empty, clean and dry! No tubs! No clamshells! No plastic bags of any kind!

Mixed Organics- City limits of Salem, Keizer, Silverton, Turner, Jefferson, and Woodburn should be able to put food waste and yard waste in the mixed organic bins. You can call your hauler to see if curbside compost is offered if you are unsure. Generally, If it grows, it goes. Yard waste, including leaves, branches etc. Any food products including bones, shells, table scraps. Also food soiled napkins or paper towels (but not with cleaning chemicals or detergents) and used pizza boxes only (no take out containers even if paper, no paper plates or compostable silverware). Small amounts of shredded paper

Special Recycling/small recycling basket- glass bottles and jars- empty clean and dry. No broken glass. Remove corks and stoppers and lids. No window glass or any other kind of glass.

-household batteries all types (alkaline, rechargeable, small button sizes- must be sealed in a zip lock bag. Tape the terminal of rechargeable, lithium, and 9 volt or larger size batteries with scotch tape to prevent fires.

-used motor oil in sealed leak proof container-no more than two one-gallon containers

-usable latex and oil-based paint- up to two one gallon labeled cans. No rusty cans

-anti-freeze – place into screw top see through plastic jug

Additional items not for mixed recycling:

Plastic foil- includes dry cleaning bags, wrappers around paper towels and toilet paper, plastic bread bags, plastic grocery bags. Must be completely clean and dry and can be brought to grocery store like Safeway and put in their bag recycling.

Wine corks- can be brought back to grocery stores like Roth's and Fred Meyer

Styrofoam blocks- can be taken to the area behind Fresh Start Market at 3020 Center Street NE. only clean, block Styrofoam that snaps when folded. Please buy something while you are there.

Mailing stores often will take clean Styrofoam peanuts.

Marion County Transfer Station: Recycling and Disposal - Information and Fees:

Recycling Items Accepted for FREE

Car Batteries (place in lead-acid/car battery container)

Mixed paper and cardboard

Clear and colored glass bottles & jars - no dishes!

Electronics: Computers, televisions, monitors and laptops are accepted for free (up to seven of these items per customer per day for free drop-off). Customers with more than 7 of these items may contact an electronics recycler such as Garten Services (503-581-4472). Televisions (including console TV sets), photocopy machines, microwaves, computers and peripherals (including cables, wires, mainframes, mice, circuit boards, power supplies, keyboards, printers, etc.), stereos, VCR/DVD players, portable music devices, cameras, video cameras, printers, laptops, projectors, telephones, PDA's & GPS units are accepted for free.

Oregon's 2007 Electronics Recycling Law prohibits any person from disposing of computers, monitors and televisions .

Plastics: bottles and jugs

Household batteries (accepted separately from vehicle batteries)

Metals (most items that are at least 90% metal)

Printer cartridges

Used vegetable cooking oil - Maximum 5 gallon container size (no maximum on number of containers).

Used motor oil - Residential drop-off only. Limit to 5 gallons per visit.

Bicycles and scooters

Fluorescent tubes and bulbs (limit of 10 per customer/day); accepted 7 days / week.

Land Use Update & Reports, John Latimer, Land Use Chair,

Bill Dixon reporting on Salem Heights:

SALEM HEIGHTS AVENUE REFINEMENT PLAN UPDATE – JUNE 5, 2022

Two City transportation planners and a transportation engineer met with five representatives of the Salem Heights Avenue project advisory committee on June 21 to do a walkthrough of the street. Here are takeaways from the meeting:

- *The walkthrough was the next step in the Salem Heights Avenue refinement process, after a neighborhood survey that drew a strong response – 343 surveys completed out of about 600 distributed. 47% supported a multi-use path on one side of the street, while 34% supported sidewalks on both sides and 19% supported a sidewalk on one side.*
- *Anthony Gamallo, one of the City transportation planners, sent a follow-up summary of the walkthrough. It says:*
- *The concepts we have developed are based on a 48' right-of-way. The walkthrough was important to help us all gain a better understanding of what lies in the current right-of-way. The right-of-way varies from 40' on the east end to 50'+ on the west end. Currently there are some significant trees, fences, hedges, and retaining walls within the right-of-way.*
- *The 10' wide multi-use path is the favored option in our survey. We have not determined which side of the street the multi-use path would go. That would be part of the design engineering process – it would likely be determined by which approach would cause the least impact to private property and existing trees.*
- *It is important to remember that the street and path can meander within the 48' right-of-way, and likely would in order to minimize the impact to private property and existing trees.*
- *The City does not support crossing the multi-use path from one side to the other using a crosswalk. But again, the street and path can be meandered significantly within the right-of-way to minimize impacts.*
- *Once a plan is adopted, the timing of implementation is a matter of when funding can be secured. The City does not have any funds allocated towards implementation of any improvements on Salem Heights Ave. S.*
- *Our short term timeline is for a PAC meeting later this summer, and a larger community meeting in the fall. The City will be looking to the PAC to organize that community meeting.*
- *During the walkthrough, the City representatives also said that the design of the roadway can include safety measures at certain intersections and grading of hilly sections for better visibility. In addition, they emphasized that they are aiming for a redesign that protects trees*

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- *City staff's goal is to have a completed, community-endorsed preferred alternative for Salem Heights that can become a part of the city Transportation System Plan – which is to be updated in 2023. Having a preferred alternative in the Transportation System Plan will put the project in position to receive funding.*
- *This will likely be a long- term project, with an actual design not being available until funding comes through and the engineers take over. However, the city representatives said they view the safety upgrades on Salem Heights as a possible blueprint for other problematic streets (old county roads). So, there is some incentive for them to move the project forward.*

With that in mind, the Project Advisory Committee hopes for strong support for this project from SWAN -- not only for placing it in the new Transportation System Plan but also for giving it a high priority on the list. The City representatives at the walkthrough emphasized the importance to a project like this of having community support, through things like the survey response and the actions of the neighborhood association.

Committee Updates:

Parks- Pat Norman, Parks Chair:

Fir Crest information kiosk is coming - will check on when.

Join us in Pioneer Cemetery Park for monthly clean up days.

Community Input and Neighborhood Concerns:

JWSK. This is a request from Just Walk(JWSK)for \$96 for their website fees. JWSK pays yearly and the City of Salem has covered the cost but states they no longer can do so. The website is one method of notifying the general public of our activities, including weekly regular walks, and our special events. It also includes information about us, pictures and how to contact our program, and we list other groups' walking events. The other method of outreach is Facebook, which generally incurs no cost but we do "boost" events which expands the reach of notification to more people. We have boosted events and are requesting reimbursement from South Salem Connect for those costs, which should be \$60 (we have approx. \$300 available with SSC and would like to maintain some of it since we have no other funding available in the foreseeable future).

JWSK is celebrating our 10 year anniversary. SWAN (initially, back when it was South Salem NA) has been supportive of our program since its beginning when we received money to make flyers for advertising our very first event. SWAN has supported the program financially numerous times throughout the years. In checking with Irma Dowd, (now Irma Coleman) this request does fit the "communication" requirement for using SWAN funds.

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We'd appreciate your consideration of this request. Questions are welcome, and if we can clarify information, it could help move our meeting along by proceeding with a "yes" or "no" vote.

Motion to fund JWSK from SWAN communications fund.

SWAN Board Quorum

Motion Made to approve use of SWAN funds for JWSK website

Motion Seconded.

All in Favor,

Motion Carried.

Thank you for coming to Fir Crest Park.

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

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Sign up for SWAN emails: www.cityofsalem.net/neighbor

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84699949764?pwd=Y0pBdmRZVm5XS2VQZVBqT1VqU2Rqdz09>