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Minutes of Board meeting of NEN, Northeast Neighbors September 13, 2022

This meeting was held in Englewood Park. It was well attended by fifty-five neighbors.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 by Chair, Lynn Takata.

<u>Board members present</u>: Lynn Takata, Nick Cantonwine, Joan Lloyd, Cindy Kimball, Ken Simila, Ken Houghton, Jacqueline Schindele, Jenna Otto, Erin Grimm, Leslie Polson, Lainy Kruger, and Delana Beaton

The first speaker was <u>Sgt. Gill of the Salem Police Department</u>. Two other officers were with Sgt. Gill. They reported on a recent shooting near the intersection of 24th and State Street. They emphasized that there is no continuing threat to the public from the shooter. That situation is still under investigation.

The officers mentioned that there are two houses in NEN of particular interest to the police. One of these houses is on 16th.

The three officers reported that they had just visited the house on 20th, near Englewood Elementary School. They shared that they had informed residents at that house of the behaviors of concern that have been reported there. The officers stressed that this was a courtesy warning visit. They stressed to members present that they are aware of activity there and are watching the home.

The officers mentioned a standing meeting every Monday at 10:00 AM of the triage team. In these meetings properties and situations of particular concern are identified and discussed.

The second speaker was **DJ Vincent, leader of the Church at the Park**. He spoke about the new micro shelter village soon to open on Center Street, across Center

from Safeway. It will ultimately include forty micro-shelter units, each housing two individuals, for a total of eighty residents. DJ announced particular emphasis on safety and security. DJ said there will be over thirty security cameras along the fencing around the shelters. He announced that hired staff would be drug tested regularly. This will be an emergency shelter, and the curfew will be midnight.

Over 70 nearby residents signed petitions requesting a 10 pm curfew. DJ said he would be willing to revisit the curfew in several months.

Action Item: The third speaker was <u>Hollie Newton</u> of <u>Oregon Cherry Growers</u>. She asked for support from the NEN board for a mural to be painted on a wall near the Oregon State Fairgrounds. <u>Cindy Kimball</u> so moved, and <u>Joan Lloyd</u> seconded. Carried unanimously by voice vote. Hollie Newton shared many jars of maraschino cherries with attendees. Delicious!

The next meeting will be Tuesday October 11 at 6:30 PM by Zoom.

All are welcome.