

NEN Meeting Minutes 7/12/22

In-person meeting & potluck at Englewood Park

(1260 19th Street NE). Potluck 6:30. Meeting 7 PM

Hot dogs and veggie burgers were provided. It was a warm night, but it was good to share casual conversation and food getting to know our neighbors.

Meeting called to order: 7:00 PM

The meeting had 27 attendees.

Board Attendance: Delana Beaton, Jeremy Mills, Leslie Polson, Erin Grimm, Lynn Takata, Ken Houghton, Lainy Kruger, Ken Simila, Nick Cantonwine

Absent: Laura Buhl, Joan Lloyd, Jacqueline Schindele, Jenna Otto, Cindy Kimball

Salem City Councilor: Virginia Stapleton

Police Officer Report: Corporal Buker

Recent graffiti was discussed. The Police Dept. is prioritizing violent crimes and is no longer able to respond to noise or barking dog complaints due to staffing shortages.

Parks and Gardens

NEN discussed and agreed the priority for new potential parks should be in the area where our neighborhood is most underserved with recreational space, north of Market Street.

Gardens and landscaping maintenance at North Salem High, Parrish, & Englewood Elementary Schools were discussed. Seven volunteers signed up to help maintain plantings on school district property. Some training will be needed for volunteers. Leslie has been watering and removing weeds around the tennis courts at North.

An announcement was made that the Englewood Forest Festival is Saturday, Aug. 13.

The next meeting will be held at McRae Park on August 9 at 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome.