

**Faye Wright Neighborhood Association
Monthly Meeting
Zoom
8/11/22**

Attendees:

Sally Cook- Board Member
Bev Ecklund- Board Member, Secretary
Susan Hecox - Board Member, Land Use Chair
Blake Shelide- Board Member, Chair
Shawn Range- Board Member, Vice-Chair
Melissa Lang-Bacho- Community Member
Janice Devito- Community Member
Sgt. Debra Aguilar- Salem Police Department
Dr. Trevor Phillips- Salem City Council
Isis Thornton-Saunders- Travel Salem

Board Members Absent:

Mike Slater

Call to Order

7:00pm

Roll Call/Introductions

Approval of Previous Minutes

Approved

City and County Reports

1. Salem Police Report

- a. Sgt. Aguilar reported. Some bicycle thefts have been reported in Woodmansee Park. The Police Community Action Unit is not just downtown, they can handle some lower level issues.
- b. SPD is considering purchasing hybrid vehicles. They tested some Ford Hybrid SUVs. These would be purchased when current vehicles reach the end of their lifespan. Patrol vehicles run about 4-5 years. They are in operation 24/7. Hybrid vehicles are expected to save about 30% in fuel costs.
- c. Janice and Sally raised traffic concern issues and asked for increased patrol and a red light camera.

2. City Councilor Reports

- a. Trevor Phillips announced that Cherriots bus rides will be free for everyone 18 and under.

- b. There were some adjustments to the budget that now includes funding for 6 new FTE for SPD as well as a 3rd managed micro shelter site. There is also an additional 50,000 for neighborhood associations to increase visibility and involvement.
- c. The Bond if passed will include funding for a new project on Davis Road, downtown bike infrastructure improvements, and funding for parks.
- d. Federal funding has come through to make much needed improvements to McGhilcrist.
- e. New City Manager has been selected- Keith Stahley.
- f. Tom Andersen has resigned from the City Council to focus on his political race. Linda Nishioko will take his place.
- g. Trevor spoke in an unofficial role about the fact that Salem Health has gone on diverting status in response to a question from Sally.

New Business

1. Travel Salem- Street Murals

- a. Isis spoke to the group about our street mural. Sally applied for the grant on our behalf and we were selected. Leslie Venti will be our artist. Our next steps are to choose a location and design. We plan to paint next summer. The group brainstormed ideas which will be passed along to the artist. Sally agreed to take the lead with Bev acting as back-up.

2. Board Elections

- a. The board thanks Mike Slater for his service and would welcome him back to the board in the future. He is no longer a board member.
- b. Blake stepped down as Chair and Bev agreed to take on the role.
- c. Blake will be Vice Chair.
- d. Sue will continue as Land Use Chair.
- e. The board will rotate who takes the meeting notes.

Adjournment

Adjourned 8:13pm