



MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, November 9, 2023 6:30 p.m.

North Neighbors Resource Center 945

Columbia St NE, Salem

Present:

Executive Committee Members

Leigh Gaynair, Chair

Ryan Erickson-Kulas, Secretary & Treasurer

Heather Ames, Member At Large

Guest/Association Members

Representative- Salem PD

Ric Ault

Rick Brown

Ana Brown

Tim Patterson

MINUTES

1. Introduction/Approval of Minutes
 - a. **Motion:** Ryan Erickson-Kulas
 - b. **2nd:** Heather Ames
 - c. **Vote:** Unanimously Passes
2. Reports/Updates
 - a. Salem Police Officer
 - Halloween Dress Rehearsal Recap
 - 1200 people with 850 kids
 - Rise in mail thefts- especially south and west Salem
 - stolen master key
 - working with postmaster to get backs of mailboxes rekeyed
 - recommend signing up for informed delivery from USPS
 - b. City Councilor(s)
 - Not present
3. Highland NA Board/Committee Chairs Updates
 - a. Outstanding Neighbor Award Recap
 - Ryan Erickson-Kulas & Rick and Ana Brown accepted award
 - Nominated by Councilor Stapleton
 - b. Halloween Decoration Contest Recap
 - Seven houses were nominated, and after two rounds of voting, we counted nearly 100 votes. The winners of the contest are Laurel Ave NE and 1035 Spruce St NE.
 - In future context there should be more time for decoration/nominations and less time for voting
 - Moving forward the previous year's winner will be ineligible to win but will be asked to be a judge. We will also have public voting



- Leigh Gaynair purchased gift cards for the winners
 - **Motion to reimburse:** Ryan Erickson-Kulas
 - **2nd:** Heather Ames
 - **Vote:** Unanimously Passes
 - c. Bike Drive at the Jane Goodall School
 - Will continue to promote via social media and emails
 - d. Highland Cleanup Crew October Recap and December Outing
 - 3 volunteers for October picked up 4+ bags
 - 12/2 is our next outing. Location TBD
 - Suggested to do an outing near F Stop Fitzgerald
 - e. HNA & Center 50+ Holiday Event
 - Followed up with Heidi from Center 50+ and we are all set for the holiday event with Center 50+.
 - We are planning on having a cookie decorating session on the 16th of December from 10:30 to 12:30. At this session, we will also be collecting donations for both toy drives as well as senior gift packages. More information on the items for seniors will be sent out after the Center 50+ takes a survey of their homebound residents and what items they would like and or need. As we get closer to the event we will settle on some more details and a flyer will be created
 - f. Mural Refresh- No updates
 - g. November Bylaws and Roles Working Session
 - Working session this Sunday
 - h. Heritage Brochure
 - In process
 - i. Postcard Proposal
 - Two options 5.5 x 8.5- \$1425.12 or 6 x 9 \$1852.64
 - We have the funding available in our accounts
 - Design to be mocked up for review during December meeting
 - j. Grant & Highland Collaboration
 - Meeting Sunday 11/12 to discuss
4. Neighborhood Concerns- N/A
5. Land Use- NA

*Next monthly meeting: December 14, 2023

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