



MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, December 14, 2023 at 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
Holly Schiefelbein, Communications Chair
Heather Ames, Member At Large

Guest/Association Members

Sarah Vick
Virginia Stapleton- Ward 1 Councilor
Jessica Blakely- Salem Housing Authority
Sarah Baldwin- Salem Housing Authority

MINUTES

1. Introduction/Approval of Minutes
 - a. **Motion:** Ryan Erickson-Kulas
 - b. **2nd:** Holly Schiefelbein
 - c. **Vote:** Unanimous Approval
2. Reports/Updates
 - a. Salem Housing Authority Sequoia Crossings Grand Opening (Sarah Baldwin)
 - 1/30 Grand Opening from 1 pm to 3 pm
 - Supportive housing that is fully subsidized and income based
 - Residents are referred from Arches
 - 16 referrals to date
 - 60 units (54 1 bedroom units that holds up to 3 people but usually it is just 1 person and 6 2 bedroom units)
 - Target population are formerly homeless individuals who have been unhoused for 5 to 10 years
 - Permanent funding at \$600k a year for 20 year for operational services via Oregon Housing
 - Utilities covered are covered for residents
 - 7-10 FTE for staff
 - Trauma informed design to avoid triggering
 - Offer of a private tour with the neighborhood
 - Both men and women are eligible for housing
 - Case manager provided for each resident



- b. Salem Police Officer - Not present
- c. City Councilor(s)
 - Update on Revenue Budget Taskforce
- 3. Highland NA Board/Committee Chairs Updates
 - a. Bike Drive at the Jane Goodall School
 - 3 Bikes were donated which was short of our goal of 10
 - b. HNA & Center 50+ Holiday Event
 - 10:30 am to 12:30 pm
 - Gift wrapping supplies will be provided and we will be wrapping donated items for distribution to seniors
 - 250 sugar cookies to decorate as a family activity during the event
 - Dr Brown planning to send donations via Amazon wishlist
 - c. Mural Refresh- No updates
 - d. Bylaws Update
 - Reviewed updated draft
 - Will send out email to listserv in early January for feedback
 - Hope to vote to ratify in January
 - e. Postcard Design Review
 - Holly Schiefelbein shared design
 - **Motion to approve:** Ryan Erickson-Kulas
 - **2nd:** Heather Ames
 - **Vote:** Unanimous Approval
 - Ryan Erickson-Kulas to interface with City to finalize quote for approval during January meeting
 - f. Items for Deputy City Manager January Visit
 - Overview of role
 - Update on bicycle transit plans
 - g. General Board Updates
 - Community Garden is being sold but new owner is in talks to continue the program
 - Discussion of having a Heritage House event in April
 - Highland Park installation of new equipment occurring next week
 - Dr. Brown offered to provide a presentation on budget committee work at a future meeting
- 4. Neighborhood Concerns- N/A
- 5. Land Use- N/A

*Next monthly meeting: January 11, 2024

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