

North Lancaster Neighborhood Association

Monthly Meeting

December 6, 2023, at 6:30 PM

Salem, Oregon

1. Call to Order / Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 PM, followed by introductions of all present in person.

Board Member	Position	Attendance
Deanna Garcia	Chair	Present
Bethany Crespin	Vice Chair	Present
Christine Potter	Secretary/Treasurer	Present
Shirlene Gonzalez	Parks Chair	Absent
Dennis Will	Land Use Chair	Present
Carl Engstrom	Member at large	Present
Denise Currey	Member at large	Present
Kim Currey	Member at large	Present
Pamela Blake	Member at large	Present
Bobby Ottis	Member at large	Absent
Patty Tipton	Member at large	Present
Claudine Shaw	Member at large	Present

Attendees: Sergeant Baskett (SPD), Councilor Julie Hoy, Officer E. Ammon (SPD)

Neighbors: Rodger Haase, John Crespin, Linda Stout, Maria & Julio Casique

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from November 2023 were submitted for Board review on 12/3/2023.

Kim Currey motioned to approve. Pamela Blake seconded the motion. The minutes from November 2023 were unanimously approved.

3. Police Report – Sergeant Baskett from Salem Police Department

- a. Introduced Officer Erik Ammon who is being promoted to Sergeant and will fill in for Sgt Baskett at future NOLA meetings for about six months. A Salem native, Ammon played baseball three seasons for the Beavers, in which he won two national titles.
- b. The 37th annual toy drive toy collection sites (Cycle Country, Physiq Fitness) open until 13th; toys can be delivered to police department after that. Contact Officer Mark Jantz for more information mjantz@cityofsalem.net 503-588-6175

Q – Who do we contact to help wrap gifts or help shop for gifts? A specific request to help with wrapping hasn't been made. But jhingston@cityofsalem.net is a coordinator.

- c. Highlight on Officer Jantz. His unit (of one officer) handles crime prevention and community involvement programs such as neighborhood watch, paws on patrol (how to be a good witness when out dog-walking), security surveys, bike registrations, hosting info booths at events, etc.

- d. During holidays there tends to be an increase in thefts from vehicles, mailboxes and porches. Try to be home for deliveries. When shopping, put bags in trunk or area in vehicle that is not clearly visible. Don't leave valuables such as wallets, purses, guns in a vehicle. It takes moments for those to be found in their typical hiding places. Be aware of surroundings.

Q – *Why was N Grant and Parish locked down today with a helicopter in area?* There was a Homeland Security operation for someone dealing in firearm pieces.

Neighbor Update: Tents and dealers appear to be gone from the park after call to narcotics group. The gates on Hollywood are closed at night.

- e. Traffic unit looking at complaints and putting up traffic readers to track volume and speed of cars at given points in time. While they don't have resources available to put patrol out all the time to catch speeders, they can use that data to identify areas to watch.
- f. DUI crashes are going up. There has been talk of assigning a DUI team (2-4 officers) during times the traffic unit is off duty. Staffing shortages are a factor. City hasn't had a DUI team since the 90's.

Homeless encampment reporting portal [HERE](#)

Sergeant Baskett can be reached for questions by email: mbaskett@cityofsalem.net

4. **Councilor Report:** Councilor Julie Hoy – Ward 6

- a. Councilor Hoy was asked to give her impression of the recent gun violence study and report. [\[report can be found here\]](#) Salem Police engaged an outside source to do analysis of gun violence in Salem and its hot spots. NE Salem is THE hot spot. While the report didn't cover every demographic, it was specific to gun violence. This area has more gang activity than other areas of the city, and young men 18-34 are primarily committing the crimes. 50% of gun offenders in the city are Hispanic. We aren't doing a good job of communicating with each other in the community regarding public safety and need to start very young and into middle and high school to address any sense that gang life is a good option. Removing the SROs from the schools was a bad idea. They know the community and have the opportunity to notice when kids may be having a problem at home and need some intervention.
- b. Hoy feels a need to talk to legislators about Measure 110 and address with them how to deal with the people who are using decriminalized drugs. She wants it on the policy agenda and was surprised to find that it wasn't already slated since it is a very hot topic.
- c. Last week, Julie Hoy filed to run for Mayor.

5. **Committee Reports & Board Business**

- a. Discussion regarding proposed cancellation of January 2024 meeting. MOTION by Kim Currey that NOLA cancel January's meeting. Carl Engstrom seconded the motion. With a vote of nine to one, the motion passed. NOLA will meet next on February 7th.
- b. Neighborhood Watch Program follow up: Deanna received response to neighborhood watch inquiry. The reply was that the information available about watch statistics is old

and they don't have a lot of resources, but Officer Jantz is someone we can follow up with about a possible program.

- c. Transit – Roger Haase:
 - i. Keizer's Holiday Lights Parade, Saturday, Dec 9th will include a decorated bus.
 - ii. Cherriots procured 10 battery electric buses and are training operators and maintenance workers. Training will be ongoing into mid-January. Starting in May the buses will be in service.
 - iii. Ridership is up post-pandemic.
 - iv. No buses will run on Christmas or New Years Day.
---- visit [Cherriots web page](#) for details.
- d. Traffic – Deanna Garcia:
 - i. Silverton/Hollywood signal is on.
 - ii. Deanna to request a reader board be returned to Hollywood.
 - iii. A request to put in speed bumps like Walker Rd can be considered.
 - iv. Deanna suggested that NOLA use our mural funds for painting decorative crosswalks to improve visibility. The topic will be revisited when the weather improves.
- e. Land Use – Dennis Will:
 - i. Bag o' Crab is open.
 - ii. Neighbors Maria and Julio Casique asked to talk with NOLA about their land use application. They want to divide their two-lot property into three lots. The 370' x 70' property is on Evergreen. NOLA is in favor of this property division. MOTION by Dennis Will to approve the division of the two-lot property into three lots. Pamela Blake seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.
- f. Parks – Shirlene's report delivered by Deanna
 - i. A request was submitted to the city for a cost estimate to install a lamp at Brown Road Park and Shirlene is awaiting a response.
 - ii. NOLA received grant approval for 1 table and 4 benches at Lansing Park and request for additional benches and tables which needed to be submitted by February, has been submitted.

6. Open Forum for any discussion

- a. Lansing Park tree planting January 6th. Details can be found on the [Friends of Trees website](#). Dress for the weather. Snacks and drinks will be provided.
- b. Millers BBQ, who runs a program for foster children is looking for gifts for the kids. Drop off gifts at restaurant or KSLM until December 15th. They have an event 10-2 December 22nd which will have a photo booth, button making, crafts, etc. KSLM radio will be there along with resource tables.
- c. Recycling – Get educated about what you can and can't recycle. See flier.

7. Close of Meeting / Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

RECYCLE RIGHT

MIXED RECYCLING



Paper & Cardboard

Junk Mail
Greeting Cards
(no foil or glitter)
Magazines
Newspaper
Phone Books
Paperback Books
Paper Bags

Papel y Cartón

Correo no Deseado
Tarjetas de felicitación
(sin aluminio o glitter)
Revistas
Periódicos
Libros telefónicos
Libros de tapa blanda
Bolsas de papel



Plastics

Bottles
Jugs

Plásticos

Botellas
Gallones



Metal Metal

Steel (tin) cans | Latas de acero (estaño)
Aluminum cans | Latas de aluminio

EMPTY CLEAN DRY
VACÍO LIMPIO SECO



TRASH IT

These materials are now considered contaminants.
When in doubt, toss it out, *si tienes duda, a la basura.*



Scrap Metal
Chatarras de metal



Egg Cartons
Cartones de huevos



Shredded Paper
Papel triturado



Plastic Cups
Vasos de Plástico



Plastic Jars
Frascos de plástico



Plastic Tubs
Contenedores de plástico



Aerosol Cans
Latas de aerosol



Aluminium Foil
Papel de Aluminio



Clamshells & Take Out Trays
No canastas de plástico o
contenedores de comida para llevar

