



SESNA minutes March 26, 2024

Board Members: Shannon Priem, Seleste Liyanage, Jeff Leach, Dave Thompkins (church rep), Arnaud Vestrstuyf; Councilor Linda Nishioka; neighbor Melanie Zermer; guest Jim Schepcke.

Adopt Minutes Feb 2024

Discussion: Arnaud wondered about motivation for moving meeting time to 6:30. Answer - to get done and leave earlier! Feb. minutes approved.

Quiet Clean Salem

Jim Schepcke explained mission of the group: encourage less use of gas-powered leaf blowers due to noise & toxic emissions. Explained how other entities were addressing it, what Salem could do right now, and what individuals could do. Wants 10 NAs to support resolution that says they support the mission of QCS.

MOTION: Adopt Resolution. MSP: 5-0 (motion seconded, passed)

Dolly Parton Program. Schepcke explained how the program works to send kids ages 0-5 a free book every month. He left info at the meeting.

NO SPD report.

Councilor Linda Nishioka Report

She addressed the following issues: 1) mail theft up in So. Salem, recent arrest made. 2) Community Violence Initiative will have community meetings in the summer. 3) Short term rentals ... city researching how to identify air b'n'b for purpose of permits. Linda wants to hear about difficulties in permitting to reduce barriers to permits being sought. 4) Council voted to give Salem Fire Dept ability to control ambulance service since Faulk (private company) was not doing the job and cost the city \$3.3 million. City will have to purchase ambulances over time - plan in place. 5) bond updates. 6) Storm water advisory group to set policy on "rain gardens." 7) update on Rev Task Force.

Old Business

Next meeting will be in the church sanctuary.

Dark sky - proclamation on the 8th

Airport adding more hangers; city not getting revenue expected via parking fees

Election update: NEN having candidate meeting April 9 via zoom; we're invited.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.