

## Faye Wright Neighborhood Association Minutes

July 8, 2021

**Board Members Present:** Blake Shelide, Bryant Baird, Shawn Range, Susan Hecox

**City of Salem:** Jeff Gordon, Property Crime Detective, Salem Police; Vanessa Nordyke, City Council (Ward 7)

**Community:** Sally Cook

### Welcome

- The meeting, conducted via ZOOM, was called to order at 7:00 PM.
- Attendees introduced themselves.
- The meeting agenda was accepted.

### City Reports

- **Jeff Gordon, Property Crime Detective**
  - The Community Crime Map on Lexus Nexus is a good tool to see what is happening in your neighborhood.
  - The Citizens Police Academy will be starting in September.
  - Lt. John Van Meter has left the Salem Police Department to become the Chief of Police in Black Butte Ranch.
- **Vanessa Nordyke, City Councilor, Ward 7**
  - Talked to volunteers at Cascade Gateway Park who reported that campers are interested in getting jobs; some of the homeless do have jobs, but can't find affordable housing; campers prefer managed camping with staff and professional services rather than unmanaged.
  - Salem earned the 2021 Public works Project of the Year for the Pringle Creek Project.
  - During the heatwave, the City partnered with Marion Polk Food Share to provide water, food and transport to cooling centers.
  - Thousands are on the waiting list for affordable housing; the city needs to develop more as well to create incentives to get people to move.

### Other Business

- Sally Cook volunteered to join the FWNA Board. Chair Shelide will schedule a meeting of board members to elect officers prior to the August meeting.

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 PM**