

AGENDA ITEM

#1 Introductions

BOARD MEMBERS:	PRESENT - <i>P</i>	ABSENT - <i>A</i>	EXCUSED - <i>E</i>		
JEANNE BOATWRIGHT	<i>P</i>	CHRISTOPHER HACKETT	<i>P</i>	SAM SKILLERN	<i>P</i>
ERIC BRADFIELD	<i>P</i>	LOLA HACKETT	<i>P</i>	AARON TERPENING	<i>P</i>
SADIE CARNEY	<i>A</i>	TINA HANSEN	<i>P</i>	PAUL TIGAN	<i>E</i>
MARK DECOURSEY	<i>P</i>	CYNTHIA KAVANAGH	<i>P</i>		
TIM FRANCE	<i>A</i>	RAY QUISENBERRY	<i>P</i>		

Others present: Carol DeCoursey, Cara Kaser, Virginia Stapleton, Carolyn VanOrden, Elliott Lapinel, and Marissa Theve.

#2 Salem Police Officer Update

Report was presented on the completion and opening of the new Salem Police Department building.

#3 Councilor Update

Cara reported on the following:

- The City will be providing emergency utility assistance. Rental assistance funds will be administered through the Community Action Agency and Arches.
- The City is helping with the impact of the Santiam Canyon Fires by providing water to the communities.
- The Santiam River is being continually monitored for ash and runoff. There is more concern about Detroit Reservoir as the debris flushed into it is not readily flushed out. Frequent testing is being done. The City is working with the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) who owns and operates the reservoir. It will take time to determine the extent the wildfires will have on affecting the water quality. The City’s ozone treatment plant will be operational next year. The City is also evaluating the possibility of acquiring property within the City’s watershed area. Some buildings destroyed in the areas affected by the fires may not be allowed to be reconstructed due to changing code regulations.
- *Our Salem* will be the subject of a joint Council & Planning Commission work session. The video will be available online to see what the proposals are for zoning changes– down to the tax lot level.

#4 Land Use Updates

Sam spoke about the Grant School transportation use of Cottage Street. He recapped the on-site meetings that were held and described the current proposal from the District. The Bond Construction Committee meeting will be held on October 5th. Sam will attend and see how the current alternative proposal is presented and provide Neighborhood comments if allowed.

Paul reported on the proceedings for the Evergreen Church case. A hearing delay to October 6th was granted due to the combination of Covid-19 and the wildfires, both of which have affected participants in the process. Neighbors can submit letters or emails, or they can testify for up to 3 minutes. The Neighborhood opposes the RH zone but could support an RM2 zoning. We are being criticized as being against affordable housing when we have lots of it in various configurations. Other than density, the applicant says they don’t need any other parts of the RH zone.

#5 Executive Board Election of Officers

Eric is stepping down from the co-chair position, though he will remain on the board. Christopher Bechtel submitted his resignation from the board last month, which also vacated the vice-chair position. Aaron Terpening volunteered to serve as co-chair. No one stepped forward to fill the vice-chair

position. Tim moved that *“We accept the slate of candidates with Aaron and Sam as co-chairs and Jeanne as secretary.”* Lola seconded the motion. The vote was 10 in favor, 0 opposed.

#6 Board Member Reports

Lola, CERT – A zoom class will begin October 13th and be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays for 3 weeks. This will be CERT’s second adventure with zoom classes. Greg Walsh has been pulled into the Marion County emergency response to the wildfires and also into the Oregon National Guard to provide family counseling.

#7 Other Business

Lola reported on the Willamette Heritage Center trick-or-treat drive-through on October 31st from noon to 5:00. The guests will remain in their cars and booths will line the parking lot for them to drive by and collect treats. The booth charge is \$50.00 and she asked if the NA would like to sponsor one. Discussion followed about using our communication funds for this outreach. Lola moved that “Grant NA authorize communication funds to pay the fee for the WHC trick-or-treat event.” Cynthia seconded the motion. Vote was 10 in favor, 0 opposed. Ideas were discussed about planning for the event. The 10’x10’ spot will need a canopy in case of inclement weather. We would like to hang a banner with the NA on it. Perhaps a half sheet handout from Grant NA could be included with the treat handout. Neighbors volunteering to help included Ray, Cynthia, Jeanne & Lola.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

Respectfully submitted by: Jeanne Boatwright