Lansing Neighborhood Association Minutes April 24, 2018, Annual Meeting

Waldo Middle School Library

18 present: Patty Tipton-Chair, Virginia Barker-Secretary, Terry Pratt, Mary Dodson, Claudine Shaw, Juanita Stewart, Jeff Heyen, Representative Teresa Alonso Leon, Leanne (Rep. Alonso Leon's office), Jane Aiken (Municipal Court Judge), Irma Dowd (Salem Community Development), Officer Fultz (Salem PD), Matt Ausec (City Councilor), Terry Alexander (Catholic Community Services), Sara Shepherd, Wesley Cruickshank, Frank Pack, Jeanne Pack

Chair Patty Tipton called the meeting to order and introductions were made. Minutes' correction: Teresa Alonso Leon spelling of name. Terry moved adoption of the minutes as corrected of the March meeting. Claudine seconded and motion carried.

POLICE REPORT: Officer Fultz

Officer Fultz has not been able to determine what the incident was on Saturday, April 14 at Chester and Lansing. He will continue to research and try to find out the details.

Problems: Speeding on Lansing

Question was asked about how to get E-Crash reports for the Neighborhood Association. Someone from the Traffic Control Unit 503-588-6123 could probably come and talk to us about crashes in our area. A question was asked regarding having another speed limit sign on Lansing. Tony Martin, City Traffic Engineer 503-588-6211 would be able to address this.

Campers are back at the underpass on Market Street as well as on Hawthorne and Silverton Road. Protect your property by not leaving doors unlocked and windows open in the warmer weather.

GUEST SPEAKER: STATE REPRESENTATIVE TERESA ALONSO LEON

She addressed our concerns of traffic issues, homelessness, landlord/tenant issues, and education. Only about 2% actually want to be homeless. The City, County, and State are trying to come up with some solutions. A telephone number, 211, has some information regarding housing. There is a housing work group at the state level that is working to address the homelessness issue. Salem is developing a sobering center. With regard to landlord tenant issues, encourage people to reach out to the legislator.

She addressed her background in education and the various programs she has been involved working with and programs she has created. There are listening sessions currently happening around the state for input from citizens regarding education; one will be held in Woodburn on May 24.

CITY COUNCILOR: Matt Ausec

The budget is broken down by categories in the action plan. The new Police Department construction has started. There will be another pubic meeting regarding designs.

Work group on TOT (Transient Occupancy Tax) was held last week. 25% is designated to Travel Salem. They are discussing if designated amounts should be given to other cultural groups.

Riverfront Park Plan meeting is being rescheduled. He will let us know the new date.

He will take the speed limit sign and reader board issues forward for us.

On the Police Department website there is information at Crime Reports.com of calls in our area.

There is a drug take-back event coming up.

Homeless Task Force: They have had four meetings. City staff will be compiling all the input and determine how priority items can be implemented and then present that information to the Task Force. They will be looking at what information can be provided by calling 211. The County has a navigator program; should the city have something like this? The sobering center will have 10 beds for an overnight stay. This is much less expensive than ER visits. The city is working on building additional low-income and affordable housing. UGM public hearing last night, but he was not able to talk about it. Decision will be finalized on May 14; written comments can still be submitted.

When can requests for CIP items be submitted? Matt said it could happen at any time.

State Street Corridor was discussed.

Recycling: Companies are telling customers that nothing has changed with regards to recycling. Councilor Ausec will follow up on this. Patty will check on having someone from Marion County and Republic Services come to discuss the changes in recycling.

ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS AND OFFICERS:

The following want to continue as Board Members: Claudine Shaw, Juanita Stewart, Mary Dodson, Terry Pratt, Virginia Barker, Patty Tipton.

Frank and Jeanne Pack and Jeff Heyen agreed to be Board Members.

Virginia indicated she did not wish to continue as Secretary.

Jeff moved to elect Patty as Chair. Juanita seconded and motion carried.

Facebook was suggested as a platform to post information. Next Door is another tool that can be used to get information out about our Neighborhood Association.

Claudine moved we elect Virginia as Land Use Chair. Jeff Heyen seconded; motion carried.

NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERNS:

2603 Sunnyview Road: Virginia reported on this sidewalk issue at this address. The City is working with the original contractor, because the work was substandard. The City doesn't want to replace their portion until the other portion is brought up to standard.

CHAIR'S REPORT:

Patty reported about the CaPES Meeting. She addressed the parcel request on 3045 Park. The Master Plan has been developed for McKay Park.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Land Use: None Traffic: None
Neighborhood Watch: None Salem Parks: None
State Fair: None Partnership:

Juanita moved the meeting be adjourned. Motion seconded and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Virginia Barker, Secretary