# Lansing Neighborhood Association Minutes May 22, 2018 Board Meeting

Waldo Middle School Cafeteria

13 present: Patty Tipton-Chair, Dorothy Pedersen-Secretary, Dirk Dunning, Claudine Shaw, Juanita Stewart, Mary Dodson, Virginia Barker, Terry Pratt, Sharon & Gary Bogstad, Mark Becktel (City of Salem Public Works), Tony Fultz (City of Salem Police Dept.), Austin Herman (Marion County Sheriff's Office).

Executive Board Chair, Patty Tipton called the meeting to order and introductions were made.

Terry moved to approve minutes of the April meeting; seconded by Gary and carried.

Virginia moved to appoint Dorothy Pedersen to the Board; Claudine seconded, motion carried.

Virginia moved to elect Dorothy Pedersen as Secretary; Claudine seconded; motion carried.

#### **POLICE REPORT: Officer Tony Fultz**

Officer Fultz invited members to participate in Coffee with a Cop this Thursday (May 24<sup>th</sup>, 8:30-10:00 AM at Starbucks at 205 Church St). He advised everyone to keep cars and houses locked this summer and to call police if we see homeless people in our neighborhood.

## PAROLE & PROBATION: Austin Herman of Marion County Sheriff's Office

A new building is going up near the jail that will replace the modular units currently used for the Parole Office. Marion County Sheriff's Office will be adding 10 officers in the next 2 years, which will relieve workload on current officers. Reserve deputies are trained in an abbreviated training academy. They must be over 21 years of age, and they assist deputy sheriffs on a volunteer basis, doing such duties as fingerprinting, security and they can carry firearms. If an officer shoots someone, standard procedure is for him/her to be put on leave and receive counseling. The officer will go before a grand jury if he or she has killed someone. The P & P Tactical Team helps train Salem teachers to deal with emergency situations.

# NORTH ENTRANCE WELCOME SIGN: Mark Becktel of City of Salem Public Works

The Welcome to Salem sign on southbound Portland Road at Hyacinth was built by volunteer woodworkers in the 1970s. The City of Salem wants to both spruce it up and restore it, using volunteers from the Senior Center, or to replace it with a more modern monument, using hotel/motel tax money. A show of hands indicated some support for restoring the existing sign, several more supporting replacing it with a new monument. Dirk suggested using other than LED lights to illuminate the monument.

#### CITY COUNCILOR: Matt Ausec—not in attendance

## **NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERNS:**

- Car parking close to a stop sign at the corner of Brenna and Byram—Officer Tony Fultz clarified that it is illegal to park less than 30' from a stop sign.
- Shopping carts left at Lansing Park—Call 1-888-552-2787 or 503-899-2475 to report abandoned carts from the following stores: Fred Meyer, Grocery Outlet (Front St. location only), Safeway, T.J.Maxx, and WinCo. If the cart belongs to another store, call the City of Salem's Code Compliance Division at 503-588-6471.
- Curbs that need repainting—call the City of Salem Public Works to get the location on the repair waiting list.
- 2603 Sunnyview Road NE sidewalk that is not completed—Mark Becktel will have the City put it on the repair waiting list if the contractor is not able to fix it.

#### **CHAIR'S REPORT: Patty Tipton**

• The June, July and August meetings will be held at Capital Baptist Church. Also, Irma Dowd of the City indicates the school library may not be available for meetings next fall. Virginia will check with the church to

- see if we might be able to continue to meet there after the summer. Patty will not be at the June meeting, so Virginia will chair the meeting in her absence.
- The Communication Fund will no longer be supplied to us by the City without being earned through volunteer hours (attendance at Chair meetings, volunteer work, Neighborhood Night Out, attending City Council meetings, etc.). Our current balance stands at \$1,147.33, and can be used between now and June 30<sup>th</sup>. Any remaining funds will be rolled over to the next year.
- Virginia moved to authorize Patty to use Communication Fund money to make updates to the neighborhood association name and repairs to our meeting sandwich board sign and banner. Juanita seconded; motion passed. Gary will look at the sign to see what repair is needed.
- Neighborhood Night Out--Virginia moved that we have a Neighborhood Night Out Event at Lansing Park on August 7<sup>th</sup>. Claudine seconded; motion passed. Patty will sign us up and will check on the feasibility of having ice cream or watermelon.
- Info sheets on recycling changes were available.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Land Use: None Traffic: None

Neighborhood Watch: None

Salem Parks: A new amphitheater will be built in Riverfront Park in the area being added to the park. Flyers about the new McKay Park playground at McKay High School were passed around.

State Fair: None

Partnership Update: None

Agenda Items for July Meeting:

- CAPES—We will decide whether to purchase backpacks and school supplies for needy children. Virginia will check with the City about whether the City will supply labels.
- Update of Contact Numbers—Shall we update the contact numbers on refrigerator magnets, as well as on the website?
- Neighborhood Night Out—We will plan flyers and activities.

Terry moved the meeting be adjourned. Juanita seconded and motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Pedersen, Secretary