

NORTH LANCASTER NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Wednesday, April 4, 2018 – Scott Elementary School, 4700 Arizona Ave NE

Chair Walsh called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Officer Wilson shared the following:

- Mayor's 2018 initiatives include targeting homelessness
- CityofSalem.net has an article detailing what the city is doing to address homelessness
- City Manager hired a regional coordinator for various programs that address homelessness
- There is a downtown Homelessness Task Force
- There is a 100 day youth challenges for those under age 21
- A sobering center is planned for 2019

Councilor Hoy's report was shared by Chair Walsh:

- Issues with abandoned house on Vaughn Avenue have been mitigated and the case has been closed.
- Tree planting this Saturday (4/7) from 9 -1 with Friends of Trees at Weather Park. This is a great opportunity to help increase the tree canopy in east Salem.
- March 26 City Council meeting summary:
 - Council authorized the use of eminent domain to acquire right-of-way for construction of the Fisher Road NE Extension Improvements Project. There are two very small parcels of land required to allow for this connection. Negotiations continue with the landowners (this is a non-residential area).
- After hearing public testimony at the public hearing on the proposed Lone Oak Reimbursement District, Council voted to postpone deliberations until the April 23 City Council meeting.
- Council received an information report regarding a tax collection agreement between the City and Airbnb.
- Learn more about what is being done to address homelessness in the Willamette Valley
 - Date: Wednesday, April 11, 12:00 pm
 - Location: Broadway Commons, 1300 Broadway St NE
 - To gain perspective on what private and public organizations are doing to address the situation, SEDCOR is hosting "Alleviating the homeless crisis in the Mid-Willamette Valley," which features guest speakers from the Salem Housing Authority, Mid-Willamette Community Action Agency, and Oregon Housing and Community Services.
- Final Riverfront Park Master Plan Update Community Meeting
 - Date: Tuesday, April 24, 6:00 pm
 - Location: Pringle Community Hall, Pringle Park, 606 Church St Se
 - This is the third of three community meetings on the Riverfront Park Master Plan update. After more than 1,600 responses to two community-wide surveys, two community meetings, and three stakeholder advisory meetings, the City will present the preferred concept for the park.

- Unprepared: Are You Ready for the 9.0 Cascadia Earthquake?
 - Date: Tuesday, May 1, 6:00 pm
 - Location: North Salem High School Main Auditorium, 765 14th St NE
 - Please join the American Society of Civil Engineers the City of Salem at North Salem High School to view an hour-long documentary on Oregon's earthquake preparedness, meet the engineers involved in the project, and learn how you can get ready for the Big One. A panel of local City and County engineering and emergency management staff, and representatives from the American Red Cross, will be available after the event for audience questions.

Family Building Blocks (Stephanie Benefiel):

- Certified relief nursery for under age 5 with six locations
- Offer parenting classes, home visiting, therapeutic relief classroom for up to eight children
- Family Building Blocks receives federal funding
- They need volunteers once per week for four hours in the morning to play with children
- They have a food pantry and clothes closet
- They have tours on the 3rd Wednesday of every month
- They require an application, background check, orientation and training

Walmart (Sunday Bougher)

- The Walmart on Lancaster is offering online ordering with pick up in your car from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm for pick up.
- There is no charge for the service
- You get a \$10 coupon when you sign up
- There is a \$35 minimum dollar purchase
- You pay with a credit card
- Not all merchandise is available for this program. It is mostly groceries.
- You select a two hour window for pick up.

Parks – Rob Romanek, City Parks Planner

- Tuesday, April 10, 6:30 - 8:00 at McKay Commons is the first of three workshops for the Master Planning for Brown Road Park.
- The Brown Road Park Site Assessment Report is available on the City's website.
- Brown Road Park has wetlands that will likely be mitigated and removed. This will be discussed at the workshop.
- The board approved submitted a grant request of \$1,819 to the Salem Parks Foundation for partial funding of four park benches and three bike racks. (Motion made by Kim and seconded by Doug.)

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- Today is National Walking Day

- Fourth annual bike rodeo will be hosted by Hammond Elementary at Northgate Park. Scott, Chavez and NOLA will be invited. It is scheduled for Friday, June 15 from 5:00 - 7:30.
- Next meeting will be April 19 at 11:00 am at the Goodwill on Lancaster.

Transit

- Advisory committee for the transit board has been selected.
- Daniel suggested a discussion regarding a bus pull out at Brown Road Park. This discussion item will be added to the agenda for next month (May).

Other

- Whether or not to have a meeting in July will be discussed next month (May).

Candidate Forum

- Judge Aiken
 - www.judgejaneaiken.com
- Melissa Parker
 - melissaparkerforsalemjudge@gmail.com
 - Facebook: Melissa Parker for Salem Municipal Court

Chair Steve adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.