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NEN Neighborhood Association

May 15, 2018	6:30 pm	Location: First Church of the Nazarene	
Type of meeting	Regular Monthly meeting (2nd Tuesday month)		
Chair	Lynn Takata (LT)		
Secretary	Leslie Polson (LP)		
Actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accept the Minutes as written. • Authorize the costs of printing and mailing certificates to the partners from the Neighborhood Clean Up. • Reimburse Lynn Takata \$14.75 for purchase of receipt books used at the Neighborhood Cleanup event • Divide \$497 from the Neighborhood Cleanup between Grant and NEN into 2 Trust and Agency accounts. • Nominate AP Walther to be a board member 		
A g e n d a			
Board Member Roll Call			
Present		Excused Absence	
Absent			
Alan Scott, Leslie Polson, Jacqueline Schindele, Lynn Takata, Delana Beaton, Nancy McDaniel, Ken Simila & Nick Cantonwine, Ken Betterton		Joan Lloyd, Cindy Kimball,	
		Ruth Hudgens, Laura Buhl, Laurel Begnoche	
Introductions & Minutes	Quorum: Board Members City Councilor: Cara Kaser & Tom Andersen Guest Speakers: Lt. Bales – New Police Station & Online Traffic Complaint form Neighbors: 6 guests		
✓ Announcements & Neighbor Concerns			
Discussion	Update about Ballot Boxes. Bill Burgess, MC Clerk has been contacted about adding another ballot box at the Salem Public Library to be in same location as book drop off.		
✓ Minutes			
Action 1	Ken Simila moved to adopt. Passed by acclamation.		

✓ Certificate Recommendations	
Discussion	Send Certificate to the Partners like Cascade Tires and Republic Services for their donations. Lynn Takata would like money to coverprinting envelopes and postage. Estimate \$1.50 per letter. Total estimated expense should be \$15.00
Action # 2	Jacqueline Schindele (1) Authorize Lynn \$15.00 to cover the costs of printing and mailing certificates. Alan Scott (2) Motion Passed
✓ City Councilor Report –Cara Kaser(CK) – present; Tom Andersen (TA) - present	
Discussion	<p>Union Gospel Mission may move to a new location. Process has been initiated. Budget will be officially voted on.</p> <p>Sidewalks were again given a budget of \$1million with no extra money added. The same as last year. All the money was not spent. This generated some discussion as there were NEN members who have testified on this issue and are frustrated that many of the sidewalks that needed repair were not fixed. Discussion about the frustration about the number of accidents caused by the disrepair of the sidewalks and the slowness of the city’s repair schedule. NEN approached CTEC for apprentice opportunities.</p> <p>Tom Reported that Salem is looking at implementing a plastic bag ban. Ordinance to be researched by city. Expect more on this issue later in the summer as the ordinance is drafted.</p>
✓ Report on New Police Station – Lt. Ben Bales	
Discussion	<p>See cityofSalem.net/police-station for information. Also updates on Facebook, You Tube and Twitter</p> <p>Designers: CB2 (Salem) & DLR (Portland). Builder GE Dune (Portland). Bond and Insurance Requirements high which limits builders.</p> <p>1st floor – Public access: Lobby, community room, Sally Port which holds 3 cars. Plan for 24 parking places.</p> <p>2^{ns} floor- Patrol- lockers, showers.</p> <p>3rd Floor: Investigation, narcotics, vice crimes, Crime Lab, Administration.</p> <p>Discussion on new features: separate victims from suspects; behavioral health team support and staffing; graffiti, location of the communications center, underground utilities, 2 story employee parking garage which also holds patrol cars, solar panels requirements with plans to use as cover for patrol vehicles.</p> <p>24 parking spaces generated the most discussion. There may be some changes to the traffic patterns on Division and Liberty by converting the one way streets to two way. These changes would allow better access and possible more onsite parking. Parking will be heavily patrolled and regulated. It will provide more parking than is currently avialble to the citizens</p>
Traffic & Safety: Citizen Traffic Complaint Form Lt. Ben Bales	

	<p>Alan Scott discussed the issue of pedestrian safety particularly in crosswalks marked and unmarked. Perception that enforcement is only done when the department gets grants. Discussed the issue of drivers who are not paying attention. Identified 4 areas with dangerous crossing for pedestrian in NEN: 17th& Nebraska, Marion & 13th, Market & 15th& Center and 21st. Pedestrian fatalities have been occurring at night. Often pedestrians are not seen. Cross walk stings often occur with notice and drivers still violate the rules. Pedestrians need to be careful as they will always loose.</p> <p>Online Traffic Report Form: Items required- License plate and violation. https://www.cityofsalem.net/CityDocuments/citizen-traffic-report-form.pdf/ Volunteer coordinator will get volunteers to send out letter. It is an information letter designed to inform driver of potential violation and is designed to educate. Send to city</p>
✓ Neighborhood Concerns and Announcements	
Discussion	Discussed in introductions.
Committee Reports: STATE St. Corridor Planning Commission Meeting - Nancy McDaniel	
Discussion	<p>Nancy McDaniel represented herself at the hearing. Outcome:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Planning commission voted to eliminate the road diet and keep the wide sidewalks. 2. Lower parking space requirements. 3. Do away with the FRONT setbacks and standalone parking lots and drive-thrus are not permitted under the proposed ordinance. <p>The State Street Plan will go before city council in July before it is adopted. Nancy McDaniel will submit new testimony. Place on agenda for future meeting and work on a draft letter for the council. Shade Study: 55 feet is lower than the current code allows. Parking lots and Drives through are in the draft language.</p> <p>Design Review on are near Court Street Footbridge. Incompatible with historic area. Withdrawn.</p>
Neighborhood Cleanup Event -Lynn Takata & Nick Cantonwine	
Discussion	<p>Event went well, two dumpsters filled with trash and one with metal recycling. Printed 1,450 flyersPartnership with Grant. Earned \$ 497 to cover costs for next year's event. Look for other resources: request Marion County waive the dump fee of \$ 390 for the clean up since that cost was high. Paid for insurance to cover for potential accidents associated with these types of events.</p>
Action 3	Jacqueline Schindele: Reimburse Lynn Takata \$14.75 for purchase if receipt books

	used at the event. Alan Scott (2) Motion passed.
Action 4	Alan Scott (1) Divide the money between Grant and NEN into 2 trust and agency accounts. Delana Beaton (2) Motion Passed.
Future NEN Cleanups	
Discussion	Contact Nick or Cindy Kimball. Next date is June 9 at 9 am. Meet at Safeway parking lot. Englewood Methodist Church is vacating their cleanup site on 17 th Street. It is open for a new group. To be discussed later.
Englewood Park Monitoring	
Discussion	AP Walther lives near the park and is interesting in collecting data on the practices being used to maintain the parks. Wants to collect info on schedules, chemicals, plants, benches. NEN has a parks committee. AP, Leslie, Lynn to volunteer on parks committee.
Action 5	Alan Scott (1) Nominate AP Walther to be a board member Nancy McDaniel (2) Motion Passed
Quiet Zone Violations	
Discussion	Alan Scott has been getting complaints about the whistle being blown. Possible AMTRAK. Call Peter Fernandez or him to document. Does city keep a log? What are consequences?
Motion	Meeting adjourned 8:20