



Northgate Neighborhood Association

Meeting Minutes: 7:00 pm – 8:16 pm, 11/13/18

Board Members Present: Amador Aguilar, Hazel Niles, Jeanne Pack, Frank Pack, Pedro Mayoral, Marlayne Madison, Crystal Niles-Williams, Jason Pack, Chelsie Anderson, Katya Goloviznina, Leslie Caudillo. **All members of board were present.**

Meeting Opened with Frank Pack, Chair, Introducing Amador Aguilar. Amador explained that our Northgate Neighborhood Association would start having the minutes and agenda in both English and Spanish. This is to encourage more citizens in the Spanish speaking community to attend our meetings and clearly understand all that the meetings bring to the community.

Salem Police Officer, Michael Tangrey, gave a report that crime is down. He said there is no real concerns except for those that leave their cars running and heating up while they go back into the house. He also warned to not leave packages, purses or anything of value in your car. Remember to be mindful when at shopping centers please do not leave things in car.

Ward 5 City Councilor, Matt Ausec was not able to attend this meeting because of City Counsel meeting at the same time. His presentation was read by Frank Pack and Marlayne Madison.

1. Salem has reach it's current goal of placing 100 people that are most desperate for housing. Mental illness, drug addition and chronic health issues besides criminal backgrounds create the most desperate challenges.
 2. The city has created support in rental assistance, intensive care management and funding to overcome these barriers and lead to success. West Salem Library reopened on October 15th with new exterior siding, fresh paint and upgraded heating and cooling system and work room modification.
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 4. The group supplying commercial air service for Salem is working with the Chamber of Commerce as a grant applicant. This is a state grant to be used to fund counseling services.
 5. The new police state design is approximately 60% complete and should be finished sometime in January. The revenue task force has met three times and is presenting the recommendations to the City Counsel.
- **Discussion brought up by Salem Police Officer, Michael Tangrey** on using the non-emergency number when calling police and when calling and reporting an incident and if de-escalates to please call and let the police department non-emergency and especially 911 operator know it has calmed down or is no longer an issue. They need to be available for the most serious situations.

Chris French, Senior Planner, Cherriots Transportation gave presentation on the new plans for extended service for Salem. Doug Rodgers, Board of Directors, attended and was available for questions after presentation. The money allocated for Cherriots has been 100% implemented and extended to 130% of the budget which they will request soon. September 2019 the service will be extended to Saturday and nights on routes #3, #11 and #13. Sunday will start in May 2020 with #3 and #11.

- The **new service will require the position of 20 – 40 new hires** of bus drivers and mechanics. They are considering whether to hire part-time drivers at this time.
- **New fares:** Some fares will increase, and some will go down in price.

Youth fare: Now a monthly pass is \$22.50. New rate requested is 50 cents a ride or all day for \$1.00, 30-day pass \$10.

Regional fares: Are going up from \$2.25 to \$2.50.

Reduced fare: for 6 -18 and handicapped from \$1.50 to \$1.25.

The plans have been submitted to ODOT and Cherriot is very excited to bring back weekend service after it has been gone from the area for 11 years. They must wait to hear from ODOT now.

Training for drivers for new service will start in March or April of this next year.

Cherriot will provide free rides to warming centers for the homeless population. They must catch the bus at a regular stop and tell the driver they need to go to a warming center and they receive the ride free on days the warming center is open to take those citizens. Those needing a ride to the warming centers can find out the locations from shelter centers and Cherriot information desk.

Lyle Misbach, P.E. City of Salem, Updating Flood Maps: Issues, Options & Considerations:

Salem is considering creating a new flood map because some homes are not in a flood plain and have to pay flood insurance. They are considering more accurate assessment of flood risk in the map. This would be to remove some of the homes that are not in a flood plain but paying flood insurance and so that developers would not consider choosing flood risk areas for new development. FEMA does not want the use of berms to control flooding because of what happened in New Orleans where the water came into the area but could not leave. Salem wants to help homeowners and developers with lower insurance rates with accurate maps. Nationally Salem is about 25% discounted on flood insurance.

Jason Cox, Northgate Association previous Chair, Sara Long, Project Manager of Salem explained about how money is allocated to communities and what process is followed.

Amador Aguilar, Vice Chair, gave presentation on having a new meeting place for our Northgate Neighborhood Association. We will hold this to discuss to our December meeting. We will continue the discussion of what time we should have the meeting on the second Tuesday of every month; 6:00 pm or the current 7:00 pm.

Frank Pack, Chair – Is carrying is presentation over until December meeting. We will implement the Roberts Rules in our process to carry on the meetings.

- **The minutes of October meeting were revised to show those absent from October meeting had notified board members they could not make that meeting.**
- **Minutes of October meeting were approved with that correction**

Meeting closed: 9:00 PM

**NEXT NORTHGATE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION MEETING:
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2018 @ 7:00PM**

**Hee Hee Illahee RV Resort Clubhouse
4751 Astoria Street NE**

LINKS: <https://www.cityofsalem.net/Pages/salem-police-station.aspx>.