



Northgate Neighborhood Association

Meeting Minutes: 7:00 pm – 8:16 pm, 01/08/2019

Board Members Present: Amador Aguilar, Jeanne Pack, Frank Pack, Hazel Niles, Marlayne Madison, Chelsie Anderson

Meeting Opened at 7:00 PM

Police and Compliance reports from City: Report on graffiti, gang activity and a suspected drug house in the area. If you see cars coming and going at all hours of the night call the drug hotline. If you can take license plate numbers, times and create a record this is helpful. If you see graffiti call 503-371-42674 to report.

City Councilor, Matt Ausec: City Council is working with on next steps in helping the homeless in our area. Some of the considerations are solving the bathroom, shower and housing issues. Part of the discussion has been on creating a system of tax credits for those that work to help the community in solving this problem. You are invited to attend some of the council's meetings. Now they have 211 you can call where they can guide you for the help you need. They are looking at a better system for Salem now. More information to come later.

Kate Van Ummersen, Executive Director, Salem Public Library Foundation: Kate distributed information and spoke to the group about Salem Reads community reading project that the Foundation funds and the Salem Public Library hosts. She also talked about how the remodeling is still going to be past the fall of this year before it gets started. There are many interesting events held at the library for the public and the community should enjoy all those offerings.

Aubrey Wieber: Formerly a reporter and editor at the Idaho Falls Post Register and most recently a reporter at the Salt Lake Tribune. He attended our meeting to introduce the new online Salem Reporter Newspaper to our community. Wieber will focus on state politics and state government, reporting on how public officials are using their government powers. "In joining the Salem Reporter, I aim to bring dogged coverage of Oregon's lawmakers and state agencies. Under Les' direction, I believe this staff has what it takes to hit the ground running and produce some compelling work." Les Zaitz is an investigative journalist who work for years at the Oregonian. You can find more information about this paper by looking on the internet for: SalemReporter.com

- The first month is free and after that it is \$10 per month.

Association Business:

We viewed the sample of bags to give out to those that attend the meetings. We also discussed changing the day and time of the meetings. We did not have a quorum to vote. These issues are carried to next month at the February meeting.