



Northgate Neighborhood Association

Meeting Minutes: 6:03 pm – 7:40 pm, 11/21/2019

Absent from meeting were: City Councilor for Ward #5, Matt Ausec

Minutes of October meeting were passed.

Compliance Officer, Nelson Morales: Explained the new ordinance being considered by Salem City Council on No Sit/ No lay and not leaving carts and belongings on streets not attended. He encouraged all to be at the coming meeting on Monday. He did have many issues of abandoned furniture cleaned up. Derelict homes are being sited. Anyone dumping furniture or trash and is caught faces permit criminal charges on their record, \$500 fine and 30 days in jail. His team spent 107 hours in our area and handled 132 cases. Out of that report 8 vehicles were found to be abandoned. He praised our community for staying vigilante and reporting issues that need to be addressed. The best way to do this is on the City Website as it is addressed faster than by phone call.

Francisco Ochoa, owner of Ochoa's Queseria Cheese Factory located in Albany is opening a Cheese Factory distribution center and cafe in front of the Cornerstone Apartments at 2540 Rose Garden St NE Salem and Portland Rd. Scheduled for February 2020. Mr. Ochoa explained the delicious variety of cheeses and the food that would be served in the cafe. There will be a viewing area to look at the cheese making operation. The NGNA is excited for the community to have this new business in our area.

This new company will hire about 8-10 new employees in their business in NE Salem.

Treasurer Report, Sherri Stinnett: Explanation of expenses for refreshments served at the annual meeting Marlayne made motion for those with receipts to be reimbursed for cost of refreshments and Sherry Stinnett seconded the motion. The committee was unanimous in passing the motion to reimburse those costs to Pennie Morley for \$83.41.

We held a vote to donate \$50 to Lansing Park towards the expense for the three trees planted in the name of the three young women who died in the tragic automobile accident and the Virginia Barker memorial. We have \$1,408.00 now and after expenses we will have \$1,278.00. We have met the amount that can be granted for our associations total for volunteering and we thank those members that have donated extra time for those events.

Pennie Morley, Chair: Introduce the Land Use Chair, Frank Pack. There was discussion on requirements of the position. Frank Pack, Land Use Chair, stated he did not have time for Land Use meetings but attends some of the the Urban Renewal Advisory meetings as he is on the board. He does forward the emails to the Chair on Land Use that he receiveds.

The Chair stated we need to have more people on that board to work with Frank Pack in doing the work needed to make sure we can keep the interests of the community in the forefront of the developers and city in the urban renewal plans so they can understand the communities concerns.

Amador Aguilar, Vice Chair: Report on how he has connected with Fairhaven Apartment manager in partnering to work together with community and Foodshare on Community Garden and planning for events in the Spring. He has applied for a grant for \$2,000. He asked that the Northgate Neighborhood Association work with him in getting volunteers in the community to have a cleanup day and it was discussed that we provide refreshments too. Penny, NGNA Chair, suggested that we also try to get local Boy Scouts and Hallman School children and parents in working together to clean up the garden area. Amador also mentioned that after he has the new memorial plaque put in place, bench and flowers we could have the family of the deceased young man, neighborhood join us in a celebration of the new beautified garden area and memorial.

Pennie Morely, Chair, brought forward the motion to have a park Chair. Marlayne accepted the motion to be chair, the committee voted unanimously. Pennie said that this Northgate Park would be this years new priority and we will bring this park back to where families will want to spend time in the Spring and summer of this new year and for years to come. Bayard moved the motion forward and it was seconded by Sherri Stinnett. All voted and it passed.

We voted to not meet for December and start new in January 2020.1.5

We had brought to the floor by Sherri Stinnett the different types of webpages, whether we should have a live telecast of the meeting for those that could not be present to attend. These issues will be carried forward to the new year.

The meeting adjourned at 7:42PM .

Next meeting January 16, 2020 at 6:00 pm at the Cornerstone apartments.

***Spanish interpreter will be present.**

***Intérprete en español estará presente.**

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