



October 9, 2019 - SCAN Monthly Meeting
South Salem High School Library

Board Members Present: Jon Christenson, Victor Dodier, Delmy Edwards, Bill Holmstrom, Jesse Irizary, John Prohodsky, Jim Scheppke, Jeff Schumacher, Roz Shirack, Brian Sund, Lorrie Walker, Mark Wigg (12). Carel DeWinkle was excused. There were numerous guests. *See Exhibit A - Attendance Roster*

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by President Schumacher with a quorum of board members present.

1. Introductions

President Schumacher welcomed everyone and Board members, neighbors and guests introduced themselves.

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the September 11, 2019 meeting were approved unanimously; there were no abstentions.

3. City and Councilor Reports:

A. Police Update. Officer Andrew Connolly reported that the city would have a prescription drug drop off on Oct. 26. Prescription drugs may also be left in the secure drop box every day. The drop box is located on the ground floor of the city hall atrium, near the police HQ.

There would be a city “Halloween practice” on Oct. 26.

Officer Connolly fielded a number of questions and comments.

- What about red light running at the Madrona and Kuebler intersections on S. Commercial? Resp: It’s a known problem for traffic enforcement. However, traffic patrol is thinly spread; there are only four patrol officers. Why so few? It’s a problem of both money (budget) and people (recruitment).
- A car prowler was reported seen using a scanner to open cars. Resp: There aren’t any reports. Officer Connolly said that he would be surprised; scanners are expensive. Car prowlers usually go for unlocked cars and low tech smash-and-grab. He noted that, if we see someone going along testing car doors, we should call 911. Testing car doors is a crime.

- Is traffic ticketing a revenue measure? Resp: No, not by the City of Salem. However, Marion County traffic patrols are supported by traffic fines. He noted that the Salem Police Chief is not in favor of treating traffic fines as revenue. Rather, ticketing is seen as an opportunity to change driving behavior.
- A neighbor commented that more red light cameras planned. Could these be more widely used? Resp: Yes, additional cameras are planned. There were also comments concerning traffic speed on Mission east of 22nd and the 45 mph speed (*sic, it's 40 mph*) at the new pedestrian crossing at S. Commercial and Royvonne Street.
- Is jay walking a big issue in Salem? Resp: Jay walking isn't illegal. So, no.
- Community service officers? Resp: There are eight, part-time exempt employees. They are usually grant-funded interns. They take non-emergency, non-crime calls, telephone reports and on-line reports.

B. Code Compliance Update. Deb Romano, Code Compliance Officer, announced that there are two dates for the annual leaf haul (November 16th and December 14th, see city web page: <https://www.cityofsalem.net/Pages/fall-leaf-haul.aspx>). She reported that the derelict house at 1110 Saginaw has been sold, flipped and is no longer on the list of derelict structures.

She fielded some questions:

- What's the city's approach to signs? Resp: It comes down to staffing and time. She said that, as grass and weed season is winding down, she has more time to devote to sign pick-ups. She recently picked up 120 signs on the corners of Kuebler.
- How are signs on telephone poles handled? Resp: She will have to get back to us.
- Is blowing leaves into the street a violation? Resp: Yes, it's a code violation. But, it's difficult to enforce.

B. City Council. Councilor Tom Anderson spoke to two topics: Homelessness and City Revenue. Taking up City Revenue first, he provided background why additional revenue is needed. City expenditures, mostly personnel expense in the General Fund, have exceeded revenues. The Stakeholder Task Force recommended an employee-paid payroll tax and an operating revenue fee. He discussed his efforts to revise both proposals to make them more progressive. He anticipates that the payroll tax will be sent to the ballot for voters' decision and that council will enact the operating fee. He was asked how large is the city's deficit? About \$8 million.

Moving to Homelessness, he reviewed the issues. He indicated that the first version of the proposed sit-lie ordinance would not work. The second version of the ordinance will be coming to Council.

He was asked an issue related to solar panels: Has there been discussion about shade from trees in the right-of-way. Resp: No.

4. Parking:

- A. President Schumacher brought up the residential parking restriction requested by Mark McQuilling at the September SCAN meeting. When affected neighbors were surveyed, 77 percent indicated that they were in favor of the restriction. Jeff discussed the procedure for residential parking; this would be SCAN's recommendation to the City.

A motion to recommend the residential parking restriction was moved and seconded. SCAN board members present approved it unanimously.

- B. Karla Canida, representing Friends of Felines, requested a change in parking time on behalf of Friends of Felines (see attached letter). Currently, the block face on the east side of S. Commercial between Kearney SE and Bush has 1 hour parking. This is not sufficient time to complete a feline adoption. Could SCAN recommend that the time be increased to 3 hours?

It was moved and seconded to recommend that the parking time on this block be increased to 3 hours. SCAN board members present approved it unanimously.

5. Announcements and Neighborhood Concerns:

Jim Scheppke reminded us that the Our Salem workshop was scheduled for October 16 at Pringle Community Hall and October 17 at Crossler Middle School. In addition, there is an "online workshop." Our Salem is a multi-year effort to update the Salem Comprehensive Plan. For more information about Our Salem, go to <https://www.cityofsalem.net/our-salem>.

6. YMCA Update:

Vanessa Nordyke, a YMCA board member representing the Y, provided a brief update. She covered two topics up front:

- What's going to happen to the peace mosaic? She noted that the peace mosaic is not owned by the YMCA. "Save the Salem Peace Mosaic," is raising funds to remove the mosaic from the façade of the building at the corner of Cottage and Court and store it. The Salem Riverfront Carousel has offered the façade of its new artisan building as a new permanent home for the peace mosaic.
- What's going to happen to the IKE Box? She reported that the YMCA and the IKE Box are in negotiations for the IKE Box to buy its building. She could not comment further.

Ms. Nordyke said that the Oregon Legislature had appropriated \$5 million for veterans housing. Salem First Presbyterian Church is willing to sell the property at the corner of Cottage and Court to

the YMCA for a new building. Discussions are at a preliminary stage. How many housing units will the new building have? Resp: It's in planning, between 20 and 50 units.

Ms. Nordyke indicated that the abatement process in the old buildings that make up the Y is just getting started. There is no target date for re-opening the Y.

Jon Christenson provided some insights as to how the peace mosaic will be moved.

7. Discussion of Solar Panels in Historic District:

Jon Christenson provided some background on what the Historic Preservation, Parks and Gardens Committee did with respect to an application to install solar panels on his home by Councilor Tom Anderson. The committee had two comments about the application: 1) solar panels distract from the historic character of the house; and, 2) solar panels should contribute to a historic house. However, the SCAN comments were not seen by Councilor Anderson because he withdrew the application before the city staff report was completed.

There are a couple of important points. A consultant working for the solar installation company was negotiating with the city. And, Councilor Anderson will select a different company for the next rendition of the solar panel application.

There was some discussion of the notice process within a historic district. Some aspects of the process were not widely known. Concerning standards for historic houses, a neighbor in the historic districted noted that historic districts must comply with national standards.

SCAN Board member Jim Scheppke has solar panels on his roof. He was asked if he had to apply to the city for the installation. Yes, but the contractor doing the job handled the entire process.

Roz Shirack read an excerpt from city code subsection 230.025. - Standards for historic contributing buildings in residential historic districts.

“230.025(e)Roofs(3) Solar Panels, Rooftop Mechanical Devices, and Skylights. Solar panels and other rooftop mechanical structures may be added to historic contributing buildings.

“(A) Materials.

“(i) Non-reflective glass and metal panels are allowed.

“(ii) Reflective glass and plastic frames are prohibited.

“(B) Design.

“(i) Solar panels shall not alter the existing profile of the roof, and shall be mounted parallel to the roof plane on rear-facing roofs or placed on the ground in an inconspicuous location.

“(ii) Satellite dishes, TV antennae and other rooftop mechanical structures shall be installed so they are not visible from the street and do not damage or obscure significant architectural features of the resource.

“(iii) Skylights shall be flat and shall not alter the existing profile of the roof. Bubble-type skylights are prohibited.”

8. Committee Reports and Chair Report

A. Land Use

Roz Shirack, Land Use Chair, reported that the Committee has two applications for consideration. The discussion will be by email because she will not be in town on the usual meeting day for the Committee (3rd Thursday of the month).

B. Historic Preservation, Parks & Gardens

- a. Jon Christenson, HPPG Chair, briefly reprised the solar panel discussion.
- b. Jon reported that there would be a presentation on historic gardens co-hosted by the Lord & Schryver Conservancy. The presentation will be at the Salem Library, Loucks Auditorium.

C. Transportation

Victor Dodier, Transportation Chair, briefly summarized the first meeting of the SCAN Transportation Committee. The Committee met to discuss priorities for the coming year. These include:

- The transportation plan for the South Salem High School expansion.
- Bicycle and pedestrian connectivity both through and within SCAN in conjunction with the Our Salem comp plan effort
- Transportation related issues that come up from time to time, such as residential parking requests and requests for comments on transportation projects.

The next meeting of the SCAN Transportation Committee was scheduled for Wednesday, October 16, at 4:00 pm in deference to the Our Salem Workshop scheduled for 6:00 pm. The Transportation Committee will shift to a 5:00 pm meeting time on the 3rd Wednesday of the month.

D. Chair's report

Jeff Schumacher reported that the November SCAN meeting would feature a presentation on emergency preparedness.

8. Homelessness (not on agenda)

Lorrie Walker requested that SCAN support the CANDO neighborhood's resolution in opposition to the City's proposed sit-lie ordinance. Lorrie did not have copies of the resolution at the meeting. She quoted statistics from it, though.

Lorrie commented that Mayor Bennett sees homelessness as a choice. He is not supportive of allowing camping sites with access to facilities and toilets. Further, recommendations of the City's Task Force have not come to fruition.

Discussion followed. Several board members indicated that they were not prepared to vote on a letter of support. Jeff will work with Lorrie to send a copy of the CANDO resolution to board members and to draft a letter of support for board consideration.

Note that the CANDO resolution and a draft letter of support were distributed to board members by email on October 15.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned about 8:30 pm.

Submitted by Victor Dodier, SCAN Secretary

Attendees for SCAN Meeting

10/9/2019

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October 8, 2019

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Dear SCAN Board,

I represent Salem Friends of Felines we are located on the 900 block of Commercial St SE. We currently have a 1-hour time limit on our block we would like to increase it to 3 hours.

I have spoken to all the current neighbors facing this block and have their full support in the time limit increase. All of our business have customers who would benefit from the increased time limit.

990 Compounding Pharmacy
980 Salem Friends of Felines Cat Shelter
960 Immortal Ink Tattoo
956 Salem Friends of Felines thrift Store

910 vacant
920 vacant

Thank you,

Karla Candia
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