



<u>Board Members Present</u>: Jon Christenson, Carel DeWinkel, Victor Dodier, Delmy Edwards, Jesse Irizary, John Prohodsky, Jim Scheppke, Jeff Schumacher, Brian Sund, Lorrie Walker and Mark Wigg (11). Ron Rubel and Roz Shirack were excused. There were city staff and guests as well. *See Exhibit A - Attendance Roster* 

President Schumacher called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm 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 January 8, 2020 SCAN meeting were approved. There were no abstentions.

### 3. City and Councilor Reports:

#### City Council.

Councilor Anderson noted that he had asked that the South Salem High School item to be moved down the agenda so that he could avoid ex parte conversations. Issues related to the High School construction project might come before City Council.

He went on to cover several topics. **Street Trees.** The City Street Tree Report came before Council at the same time as the issue with the trees at the Gatti property (1781 S. Liberty). While the Tree Report was positive (percentage of tree canopy is up), there are continuing issues related to trees. He asked the City Manager to report on how tree-cutting issues are handled. **Mutlifamily Residential Code.** SCAN had recommended that the standard for "low income" be set at 60% of median income. The code revision set the standard of "low income" at 80% of median income. It turns out that more low income / affordable house may be built if the standard is set at the higher level. There was discussion of other issues related to multifamily housing. **Homelessness.** Councilor Anderson said that homelessness is the toughest issue he has faced as a council member. Homelessness results from national trends over decades. He recounted some of City Council's efforts to date and noted that the sit / lie ordinance may come back into the discussion. The issue is how much shelter space exists and if there is enough. He said that the city is moving ahead on a long-range plan to develop more housing.

### 4. Announcements and Neighborhood Concerns:

• Linda Bierly, Salem Parks Foundation, was present to announce the start of the SPF grant cycle. Jeff has the application form. She also handed out a Salem Parks Foundation

newsletter (Exhibit B).

Jon Christenson asked if Pioneer Cemetery is considered to be a park from the SPF perspective. Ans. Yes.

- Brian Sund announced that he was participating in the Polar Plunge in Corvallis on Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>. Polar Plunge is a fund-raiser for Special Olympics.
- Lorrie Walker said that the Point-in-Time Count found only 1 person in the area around Pringle Park. In addition, there were no signs of camping in Pringle Park. She went on to comment that there are lots of people volunteering ... downtown is safe. She also noted that Stephen Goins had done a presentation on "The Homeless Brain" for the Arches Project recently.
- Jim Scheppke brought forward his resolution (Exhibit C) concerning street trees at the Gatti property (1781 S. Liberty). He had distributed the resolution to the Board by email. The motion had been seconded by email. The City has imposed a fine on the Gattis for cutting the city trees without a permit. The trees have been topped, all but destroying them. However, the City has not assessed the Gattis for the value of the trees contrary to city code. After further discussion, the motion was adopted unanimously. There were no abstentions.

### 5. Presentation on Recycling:

Jim and Debbie Mill, Master Recyclers, did a presentation on recycling. They put emphasis on reducing waste rather than recycling. Recycling is a market activity; if there is no market for a recycled material, then it becomes trash. The market for recycled materials has been reduced. Their presentation covered a lot of detail and tips about what is or is not recyclable. For instance, most packaging for frozen or refrigerated foods is multi-layered materials; it cannot be recycled and is trash. Pizza boxes can go into the yard debris cart, but many take-away containers that appear to be recyclable cannot go into the yard debris cart. Please see Exhibit D, the summary cards.

#### 6. Discussion on SSHS Traffic:

Kevin Hottman, City of Salem Traffic Engineer, provided background on what the City can and cannot require that a developer, such as Salem Keizer Public Schools, in conjunction with their project. While neighbors of the school are concerned about increasing traffic around the school, especially on Howard Street, the number of additional trips are not sufficient to require additional traffic control. The trigger point is 1,000 additional trips. Concerns were expressed about drivers ignoring the STOP sign at Howard and Capitol, about drivers using Yew Street, which has no sidewalks, to reach Rural, and about drivers using Capitol, Winter, Summer and Davidson, all narrow streets, to reach Cross Street. Not stopping at Capitol and using Capitol, etc. happen today and might be expected to increase with the new parking lot off Howard Street.

Hottman noted that the City was considering requiring the School District to build half-street improvement on Howard Street along its property. Concerns were immediately raised about teen

drivers and the transition point where Howard Street returns to its narrow, 20-foot width. [Note: the half-street improvement is a requirement in the City's decision concerning the project.]

There were suggestions that speed humps or bumps might be used to slow traffic. Hottman repeated the City's concern that either would impair snow plowing. Neighbors pointed out that side streets, like Howard, are not plowed on the rare occasions when there is snow in Salem. There were questions about the proposed barrier at the intersection of Oxford and Church. Hottman noted that this was a voluntary proposal by the School District.

## 7. Committee Reports and Chair's Report

#### A. Land Use Committee

Roz Shirack submitted her committee report by email. It is attached as Exhibit E.

### B. Transportation Committee

Victor reported that he had cancelled the January 15 Transportation Committee meeting.

The main activity during the month was reviewing the School District's Site Plan for the South Salem High School remodel / reconstruction and assembling SCAN comments. Comments were submitted on February 5.

The February 19 Transportation Committee meeting will be held at Fairmont Community Hall at 5:00 pm. We discuss bicycle boulevards and what the City of Salem terms "family friendly bikeways." Angela Obery will attend.

#### C. Chair's Report

Jeff reported that he will be at the Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting to voice SCAN support for a Hoyt-Rural connection. [Note: the Hoyt-Rural connection issue was removed from the February 24<sup>th</sup> City Council agenda.]

SCAN support for a connection prompted an angry response from a neighbor on John Street. She expressed her dismay that this proposal has come up again. She is strongly opposed. She is concerned about how a gate or path might affect safety of the properties on John Street.

D. Historic Preservation, Parks and Gardens Report Jon submitted his committee report by email. It is attached as Exhibit F.

#### 8. Adjournment

Jeff adjourned the meeting about 8:55 pm.

Submitted by Victor Dodier, SCAN Secretary

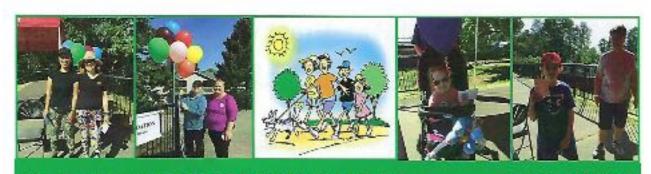
# Attendees for SCAN Meeting

# 2/12/2020

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#### Exhibit B – Salem Parks Foundation Newsletter



# SALEM PARKS FOUNDATION

SUMMER 2019

# Celebrating the McKay Park Playground

Salem Parks Foundation donors contributed \$42,000

The SPF grant writing committee searched for grants to fit this project and wrote many grant applications. Your donations provided evidence of community support, helping secure 6 grants that provided a total of \$31,000

The City of Salem SPIF grant contributed \$23,000

The City of Salem is contributing site preparation

It all adds up to a new playground by the community for the community

# Our THANKS to ALL for this great project!



Groundbreaking coming in June

communication committee at ourse

Good reasons to support parks

- 1. Building community
- 2. Promoting family fun
- Exercise
- 4. Beauty
- 5. Providing habit for wildlife
- 6. Increasing property values
- 7. Culture
- 8. History
- Green space
- 10. Civic pride

# 2019 Neighborhood Park Grant winners

Each spring, Salem Parks Foundation awards grants to Neighborhood Associations to fund improvements to neighborhood parks. Here are the winning projects for this year:

# Central Area Neighborhood Development Organization

S483.00 to match their Salem Parks Improvement Fund grant for a bike fixit station and Mutt. Mitt dispenser for the Library grounds and the Civic Center Mirror Pond area.



Grant Neighborhood Association

\$1,005.00 to match their Salem Parks Improvement Fund grant for an outdoor chess table in Grant Neighborhood Park



## Morningside Neighborhood Association



\$1,800.00 for a backless bench for the multi-use court at Morningside Park



# Northeast Salem Community Association

\$1,950.00 for an information klosk in Hoover Park



# North Lancaster Neighborhood Association

\$2,051.28 for soccer goals for the practice field at Brown Road Park



# Southeast Salem Neighborhood Association

\$2,248.00 to match their Salem Parks Improvement Fund grant to replace the floor of the gazebo in Aldrich Park

# Minto Brown Island Park Patrol Park Heros for 26 years

Minto Brown Island Park is a Salem treasure. It provides visitors with tall trees, broad fields, an off leash dog park (although the rest of the park requires dogs to be on leash), access to the Willamette River, bird watching, wildlife, peace and quiet just a few minutes drive from downtown or a walk across the Peter Courtney Bridge from Riverfront Park. Thanks to the tireless work of our Summer Park Heros, the Minto Brown Island Park Patrol, it is a safe park.

The Minto Brown Island Park Patrol was formed in 1993 in response to an attack on two park users. At the time. Minto was an area with a reputation for mischief. The River Road Courthouse Athletic Club, City of Salem Police Department, City of Salem Regional Parks and Recreation Agency, Oregon Correctional Officers Association, and the

Minto-Brown Island Park Minto Brown Park Patrol Members Bersy Belshaw. Fluyd Roe and Roz Shirack

Audubon Society trained the volunteer Park Patrol to be eyes and ears in the park. Since that time, the Park Patrol has been a constant presence in the park when the park is open.

Thanks to the Park Patrol, Minto Brown Island Park is currently a very different place. Park Patrollers receive two hours of training and a volunteer handbook . They patrol 8 hours per month. At the beginning of their shift, patrollers check in at the River Road Courthouse and spend their patrol time walking, jogging, skating or bicycling through the park acting as a guide for the lost, a reminder to violators of park ordinances and, if necessary, using cell phones to summon help in the event of any emergency.

26 year veteran Park Patroller and Park Patrol trainer Betsy Belshaw recounts stories ranging from the



ordinary such as out of state tourists lost in the park to the bizarre such as the ATM machine stolen and dumped in the Willamotte River. She has seen the number of park users increase and the numbers of wildlife decrease. The increase in human use creates challenges.

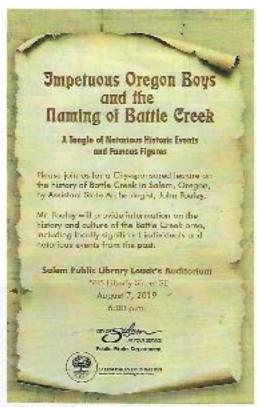
At 1,200 acres, Minto Brown Island Park is Salam's largest park and it is a wildlife refuge. Salem used to have six City of Salem. staff caring for the park. That number has dropped to one staff person and a Park Ranger who also covers three other parks. The Park Patrol fills needs ranging from reminding smokers that Salem. does not allow smoking in parks to convincing dog walkers to keep

their dogs on leash unless they are in the designated dog park adjacent to parking lot #2. The 30 members of the Park Patrol work hard to keep the park a safe and pleasant experience for visitors. Two park patrollers do nothing but pick up litter.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Minto Brown Island Park Patrol call City of Salem Volunteer Coordinator Tibby Larson at 503-589-2197 or e-mail talarson@cityofsalem.net

To nominate a park hero, e-mail us at info@salemparksfoundation.org





History of Battlecreek Lecture Loucks Hall August 7 at 6:00 PM

# Ways to Give to Salem's Parks

- Mail a check to SPF at P.O. Box 5764, Salem, OR 97304.
- Donate at www.salemparksfoundation.org
- <u>Link</u> your Fred Meyer Rewards card to SPF at <u>www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards</u>
- Amazon Smiles SPF participates in the Amazon Smiles charity program. Please choose SPF as your charity at <u>Smile.amazon.com</u>.
- <u>Match</u>: many employers match contributions. See if your workplace provides this giving opportunity.
- Buy an owl sign! Purchase online or by mail.
- <u>Consider gifting</u> the park lovers on your list with a donation in their honor. You can designate a specific city park or park project. We will send them a card acknowledging your gift.
- Bottle Drop/Give Your Refundable Cans and Bottles can help improve Salem Parks.
  Want to make those refundable bottles and cans work even harder for our community?
  Salem Parks Foundation is now a part of Bottle Drop/Give Fill our pre-labeled blue bags with refundable cans and bottles and drop them off at any of the Bottle Drop sites in Salem. Staff will count the refundables and credit the SPF account. Send an e-mail to info@salemparksfoundation.org We will arrange to get the bags to you.

# Exhibit C SCAN RESOLUTION OPPOSING FAILURE TO FULLY ENFORCE THE SALEM REVISED CODE CONCERNING STREET TREE REMOVAL

# Adopted by the SCAN Board on February 12, 2020

WHEREAS, on or about January 2, 2020, the property owners at 1781 Liberty Street SE in the SCAN neighborhood had an unlicensed contractor remove, without authorization, more than 30% of the crown from four mature City-owned street trees adjacent to their property; and,

WHEREAS, removing 30% or more of the crown of a tree will cause the death of the tree and is thus defined in the Salem Revised Code 86.010 as "tree removal"; and,

WHEREAS, "tree removal" under SRC 86.120(c)(1) carries a civil penalty of a fine "not to exceed \$2,000.00 per violation in addition to the value of the tree as calculated in accordance with applicable administrative rules (or in the absence of administrative rules, in accordance with the most current edition of Council of Tree and Landscape Appraisers "Guide for Plant Appraisal");" and,

WHEREAS, the property owners at 1781 Liberty Street SE were recently assessed a fine of \$2,000 by the City in addition to being required to negotiate a "Restoration Agreement" for removal and replacement of the four City-owned trees adjacent to their property; and,

WHEREAS, the property owners at 1781 Liberty Street SE were not required to reimburse the City for the "value of the tree[s]" as required by SRC 86.120(c)(1); and,

WHEREAS, failure of the City to fully enforce the provisions of the Salem Revised Code in the matter of unauthorized City-owned tree removal is unacceptable to SCAN neighbors and will undoubtedly result in similar incidents of this kind happening in the future.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of the South Central Neighborhood Association requests of our City staff that they not fail to fully enforce SRC 86.120(c)(1), and that the property owners at 1781 Liberty Street SE be required to reimburse the City for the value of the four City-owned trees that have been removed, following a professional appraisal of the value of the trees.









### Exhibit E – Land Use Committee Report

# SCAN Land Use Committee Report February 12, 2020

### Multi-Family Housing Standards Amendments

The SCAN Board approved the Committee's draft comments on the multi-family housing amendments at its January 8, 2020, meeting. Jeff sent those comments to City Council prior to its public hearing January 27. The hearing was continued to February 10, at which time Roz presented a summary of the comments. Council deliberated and made several amendments to the staff proposed ordinance dated January 27, 2020, but none of SCAN's comments were incorporated. Council passed the amended proposed ordinance. Staff will likely put a summary of the newly adopted ordinance on the project website.

The Committee will meet at its regular 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday time—February 20—at 4:00 pm at my house. Agenda includes:

- Sign code amendment to allow two (instead of one) menu signs in a drive-through lanc.
- Salem Hospital parking garage improvements and redesign of traffic entering and exiting the garage (no increase in parking spaces or capacity).
- Driveway adjustment request to add a second driveway at 485 Leffelle St. S.
- Staff report on site plan for South Salem High School Expansion (if available by then)
- Our Salem project to update the Comprehensive Plan.

Submitted by Roz Shirack, Chair

### Exhibit F – Historic Preservation, Parks and Gardens Committee Report

Subject: HISTORIC PRESERVATION, PARKS & GARDENS - Updates - FEBRUARY 2020

From: ed scan <edscannewsletter@gmail.com>

Date: 2/12/20, 3:37 PM

To: Scan Board <scan-board@googlegroups.com>

### I. Bush's Pasture Park - Deepwood Master Plan RFP

On Friday, February 7, 2020, the City of Salem received proposals to assist the preparation of a Master Plan for Bush's Pasture Park-Deepwood. Proposals were requested from Agrimis Planning and Design, Clarity Scientific, Environlssues, Samara Group, LLC, and Stamberger Outreach Consulting. The project will be to "develop a community vision, cultural landscape report, management plan, policies and procedures" for Bush's Pasture Park (90.5 acres) and Deepwood Museum & Gardens (5.5 acres). Please see the attachment entitled "Enclosure 3."

BPP and Deepwood are properties on the National Register of Historic Places of the U.S. Department of Interior. Several features are noted in the RFP text, e.g., historical properties, recreational facilities, art sculptures and natural biota such as the Oregon White Oaks, camas, fawn lilies.

The City is requiring "an interdisciplinary team that is experienced with public engagement, meeting facilitation, historic preservation, and cultural and ethnographic resource management." A team "that includes members who meet the U. S. Secretary of Interior's Professional Qualifications Standards" (used by the U. S. National Park Service) is being "highly encouraged."

<u>Projected start date is April 2020 and completion date in 12 months. April 2021</u>. This will be the first Master Plan to be developed for these park areas since the land and properties were acquired by the City.

# II. Historic Preservation Stakeholders Advisory Committee OPEN HOUSE

On February 5, 2020, the second OPEN HOUSE of City of Salem's Historic Landmarks Commission and Historic Preservation Stakeholders group was held at Mission Mill.

Attendees Included the City Manager Steve Powers, Urban Planning Administrator Lisa Anderson-Ogilvie, SCAN president Jeff Schumacher, Stakeholder Group participants Jacque Heavey and Patricia Demmina, and Landmarks Commissioner Carroll Cottingham.

The Commission and Stakeholders group are preparing a proposed Historic Preservation Plan Update for 2020–2030 to go to City Council by June. Citizens at the OPEN HOUSE were asked to give their individual -- highest to lowest priorities -- to potential City code changes and programs.

Highest priority emerging appears to be on education. Other high priorities identified are energy conservation (e.g. renewable energy, use of solar) and sustainability.

The next OPEN HOUSE will share the preliminary tabulations of the citizen input.

-- Jon Christenson, HPPG

