

**Board Members Present:** Jon Christenson, Victor Dodier, Bill Holmstrom, Jesse Irizary, John Prohodsky, Ron Rubel, Jim Scheppke, Jeff Schumacher, Roz Shirack, Brian Sund, and Lorrie Walker (11). City Councilors, city staff and guests were present as well. **See Exhibit A - Attendance Roster**

President Schumacher called the annual meeting to order at 6:30 pm with a quorum present.

**1. Introductions**

President Schumacher welcomed everyone to the Zoom meeting. We skipped introductions.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

Victor Dodier moved approval of the minutes for the May 13, 2020 SCAN meeting. Jim Scheppke seconded. The minutes were approved with one abstention, Roz Shirack, who was excused from the May meeting.

**3. City and Councilor Reports:**

**City Council.** Councilor Nordyke reported on her participation in last weekend's (May 6<sup>th</sup>) march for George Floyd and Black Lives Matter. She commented that it's most helpful, whatever the cause, for organizers to meet with the police beforehand to plan the march route, re-route Cherriots, etc. She covered several other topics in a very condensed overview of what's happening at the city level. **City Budget.** There is a lot to process relating to the City budget conversation. Council meets on the 2020-2021 budget on June 22<sup>nd</sup>. **Hoyt-Rural Connection.** The city staff report on the connection is scheduled to come out June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Next steps will depend on the report. **Cash for Trash.** This program for Wallace Marine Park has been successful. Homeless people bringing in trash bags are given a \$10 gift card and a new trash bag twice per week. **Downtown Assistance for Businesses.** The city is doing what it can to support downtown businesses. For instance, the city is allowing use of street right-of-way for tables.

Councilor Anderson spoke to the statement that Council President Hoy, Councilor Kaser, and he wrote. [Councilor Nordyke signed onto the statement later.] See <https://salem.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=8596405&GUID=9939EF63-9A55-463D-8F58-896F02B65DA5>. He commented that there are lots of rumors flying around about "defunding the police." City police are not going to be defunded. Some 9-1-1 calls might be handled differently. For example, something along the "CAHOOTS" model in Eugene where medics and social workers are dispatched to some calls rather than officers might be used.

Jim Scheppke commented that the Salem-Keizer Public Schools Board had a good way of handling public comments that they had received. He suggested that the City look into emulating the SKPS Board. Both Nordyke and Anderson want to bring public comments back to City Council meetings, but are not certain as to the logistics.

Roz served on the City Budget Committee. She commented that there was some money in the budget for teaming up on responses to 9-1-1 calls.

Bill Holmstrom thanked Councilors Anderson and Nordyke for the statement.

**4. Announcements and Neighborhood Concerns:**

- Victor Dodier announced that the SCAN Transportation Committee would meeting on Zoom on June 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:00. The Committee will discuss the family friendly bike path and traffic on S. Liberty.
- Jeff Schumacher asked Councilor Nordyke about SWAN's outdoor meeting. She said that it sort of worked. Lightly attended. She expressed concern about low attendance at neighborhood meetings generally.
- Brian Sund asked when the playground equipment will be "re-opened." Councilor Nordyke said that re-opening the playground equipment will depend on Gov. Brown's decision.

**5. SCAN Board Membership:**

Jeff listed SCAN Board members in the second year of their two-year term on the board. He indicated they, other than Joyce Judy who has resigned from the board, are willing to serve another term on the SCAN Board:

- Victor Dodier
- Bill Holmstrom
- John Prohodsky
- Ron Rubel
- Jim Schepcke
- Jeff Schumacher

Jim Schepcke nominated Christine Chute to serve on the board. She is the incoming chair of the Mission Street Parks Conservancy.

Roz asked for clarification about the other board members. These board members, including Roz, are entering the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of their two-year term.

The nominees above (Victor Dodier, Bill Holmstrom, John Prohodsky, Ron Rubel, Jim Schepcke, Jeff Schumacher and Christine Chute) were unanimously elected to the SCAN Board.

The board roster for 2020-2021 is repeated below for the minutes:

Board Member	Starting Month	2020-21	Positions & Notes
Christenson, Jon	6/1/2011	2nd year of 5th term	Chair - Historic Preservation, Parks & Gardens Committee
Chute, Christine	6/1/2020	1st year of 1st term	
De Winkel, Carel	6/1/2011	2nd year of 5th term	
Dodier, Victor	6/1/2018	1st year of 2nd term	2019-2020 Board Secretary Chair - Transportation Committee
Edwards, Delmy	6/1/2017	2nd year of 2nd term	
Holmstrom, Bill	6/1/2018	1st year of 2nd term	
Irizarry, Jesse	6/1/2017	2nd year of 2nd term	
Prohodsky, John	6/1/2014	1st year of 4th term	
Rubel, Ron	6/1/2014	1st year of 4th term	
Schepcke, Jim	6/1/2012	1st year of 5th term	
Schumacher, Jeff	6/1/2014	1st year of 4th term	2019-2020 Board President
Shirack, Roz	6/1/2013	2nd year of 4th term	Chair - Land Use Committee
Sund, Brian	9/1/2015	2nd year of 3rd term	
Walker, Lorrie	9/1/2015	2nd year of 4th term	2019-2020 Board Vice-President
Wigg, Mark	6/1/2017	2nd year of 2nd term	

Jeff indicated that he would prefer to step down as SCAN President. He asked that board officers and committee chairs form a committee to nominate a slate of officers for 2020-2021 at the July SCAN meeting.

Jim talked about SCAN's outreach efforts. SCAN has a Facebook page that should be refreshed. He also suggested that SCAN needs a new logo. He intends to bring up the new logo topic at the July meeting.

Angela Obery pointed out that SCAN ought to involve the schools. Victor concurred; SCAN needs to re-establish connections, like the poster projects and science presentations. Brian noted that SSSH students are a reservoir of talent that is often looking for projects.

#### 6. **Jason Lee Mission House Archeological Project: Kimberli Fitzgerald and Kirsten Strauss**

Kimberli began her presentation by saying that the slide show on the project runs about a half hour to 40 minutes. [Note: the city web page on the archeological project does not have the presentation at SCAN. It covers somewhat different material. It's located at:

<https://www.cityofsalem.net/Pages/jason-lee-mission-house-archaeological-project.aspx>

The project was done during April to mid-May, 2020. Why do an archeological project during a pandemic? The site's owners are planning to redevelop. The archeological project supports the new development. Kimberli talked about the process of determining whether a site is historically significant ... there's a city web page on the topic ... and the laws that govern.

Kirsten took over the presentation to cover historic background on Jason Lee and his short time in Oregon. He came as a missionary for the Methodist Episcopal Church to the Oregon territory in the mid-1830s. He built a house at the site on Mill Creek at Broadway and helped found the Oregon Institute (now Willamette University). He may have been more interested in development than in mission duties and was in disputes with his superiors at the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was removed from his position in the mission in 1844 and, when he learned of his removal, traveled back east to defend himself. He did not return. He died in 1845 and was buried back east. He was not well regarded at the time. His reputation as an Oregon pioneer improved over time. He was ceremoniously re-interred at Jason Lee Cemetery in 1906.

Kimberli returned to talk about the dig in what is now a parking lot. The original house was moved to the Willamette Heritage Museum in the 1960s; Victorian extensions to the house were demolished. What was found? They located the foundation wall for the original house and its rubble filled basement. A number of artifacts, pottery shards, bricks, etc., are in storage to be processed later.

Jim asked, who is responsible for the "beaver board?" **Ans.** The state will update the marker. Jim also asked about long range plans for the area. **Ans.** There are several other interesting sites in the area around Mill Creek. Kimberli noted that Salem has about 250 known archeological sites. There may be more sites; there is a process for "inadvertent discovery" (see city web pages).

Jeff noted that the site's owners have been willing participants in the project. **Resp.** The owners have been extremely supportive.

On other matters, Kimberli said that staff have a draft of the Historic Preservation Plan Update. Its review should be initiated at City Council in July with a hearing before the Salem Landmarks Commission in August.

#### 7. **Adjournment**

Jeff adjourned the meeting about 8:10 pm.

Submitted by Victor Dodier, SCAN Secretary

## Exhibit A

### Attendees for June 10, 2020 SCAN Zoom Meeting

Board Member	Email Address	Present?	Board Member	Email Address	Present?
Christenson, Jon	<a href="mailto:edscannewsletter@gmail.com">edscannewsletter@gmail.com</a>	X	Rubel, Ron	<a href="mailto:ronrubel@comcast.net">ronrubel@comcast.net</a>	X
DeWinkel, Carel	<a href="mailto:cdewinkel@comcast.net">cdewinkel@comcast.net</a>		Scheppke, Jim	<a href="mailto:jscheppke@comcast.net">jscheppke@comcast.net</a>	X
Dodier, Victor	<a href="mailto:vidodier@teleport.com">vidodier@teleport.com</a>	X	Schumacher, Jeff	<a href="mailto:jeff.schumacher@gmail.com">jeff.schumacher@gmail.com</a>	X
Edwards, Delmy	<a href="mailto:ride2myhouse@yahoo.com">ride2myhouse@yahoo.com</a>		Shirack, Roz	<a href="mailto:rozshirack7@gmail.com">rozshirack7@gmail.com</a>	X
Holmstrom, Bill	<a href="mailto:williamh@gmail.com">williamh@gmail.com</a>	X	Sund, Brian	<a href="mailto:sund60@icloud.com">sund60@icloud.com</a>	X
Irizary, Jesse	<a href="mailto:irizaryj@gmail.com">irizaryj@gmail.com</a>	X	Walker, Lorrie	<a href="mailto:dakotalor@msn.com">dakotalor@msn.com</a>	X
Judy, Joyce	<a href="mailto:pacajoyce@sbcglobal.net">pacajoyce@sbcglobal.net</a>		Wigg, Mark	<a href="mailto:mark_wigg@hotmail.com">mark_wigg@hotmail.com</a>	
Prohodsky, John	<a href="mailto:johnmpro@gmail.com">johnmpro@gmail.com</a>	X			

Other Attendees
Angela Obery
Mary Anne Spradlin
Ellen Stevens
Christine Ertl
Kirsten Strauss (City of Salem)
Kimberli Fitzgerald (City of Salem)
Christine Chute
Donna Irizary
Councilor Tom Anderson
Councilor Vanessa Nordyke
Sheridan (?)