

Draft Summary Meeting Minutes November 14, 2019
SOUTH GATEWAY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
Battle Creek Elementary School, 1640 Waln Dr. SE, Salem, OR 97306

Board Members

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Glenn Baly, Chair	(None)
Mike Hughes, Vice chair	
John Ledger, Secretary	
Jake Krishnan	
Sylvia Machado	
Jerry Sachtjen	

Guests

David Hughes, Manager, Custodial, Property & Auxiliary Services, Salem-Keizer Public Schools
Jackie Leung, Salem City Council
Officer Reynolds, Salem Police
Toni Whitler, Park Planner, Salem Public Works

Approximately 18 neighbors in attendance; signup sheets kept by the chair for six months.

1. Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 PM by Chair Baly. Board members introduced themselves.

2. Approval of Minutes

The October 10, 2019, minutes were approved with no changes.

3. Police Officer Report

Salem Police Officer Reynolds discussed vacation safety precautions, police checks, scams, general Q&A with attendees.

4. City Councilor Report

Jackie Leung, Salem City Council, discussed the status of the proposed Salem utility fee and payroll taxes as well as the city's upcoming policy discussion and proposed ordinance regarding the homeless on city sidewalks.

5. Salem Salem-Keizer Schools in South Salem

David Hughes, Manager, Custodial, Property & Auxiliary Services, Salem-Keizer Public Schools, discussed the planning process used by the district to expand and renovate existing schools and locate new facilities, as well as improvements underway as part of the 2018 Bond Program. Q&A with board and attendees. Chair Baly suggested that a city representative attend a SGNA meeting to discuss how the city coordinates residential planning/ approvals with the need for new schools. Agreement by the Board.

6. Proposed Reese Hill Park Zone Change

Toni Whitler, Park Planner, Salem Public Works discussed the city's purchase and proposed rezoning of 17 acres on the south end the city and converting it into a city park. The annex and plan have yet to be approved by the planning commission or city council, a process which could take 1-2 years. There was considerable discussion. The board felt that taking any position of the park should be postponed until details are available. Chair Baly suggested that the city be asked to provide more information regarding Lone Oak street, traffic and safety, the reimbursement district. Agreement by the Board.

7. Items in addition to those on the Agenda

A. Traffic Problem on Mildred between Sunnyside and Commercial

Board member Mike Hughes updated SGNA on the chronic speeding problem along Mildred. Chair Baly suggested the topic be brought back at a future meeting for more discussion and a visit from the appropriate city official. Agreement by the Board.

B. Flood Management

Chair Baly gave an update on the status of the city's Flood Management Plan along with the proposed Battle Creek Park.

C. SGNA Annual Meeting

Chair Baly announced that SGNA will hold its annual meeting on January 9, 2020.

8. Adjourned