

Tuesday, Feb. 25, 2020 @ 7:00 p.m.

Capital Park Wesleyan Church
410 19th St. SE
19th Street Mid-Block Entrance

This is an open meeting. The public is invited.

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<p>7:00</p>	<p>Welcome, Approval of Minutes, Good News and Announcements</p> <p>We opened the meeting at 7:02. Introductions included four guests, Bob Barron, new city CFO, Carol Snyder of Salem Parks Foundation, Sgt Jordan Juster, Marion County Sheriff, and Alex Berlin (who, once again, had to leave the meeting early). January 28 minutes were approved with the addition of noting the unanimous approval of officers for 2020, per the Jan 25 board retreat: Shannon Priem, chair, Arnaud Verstuyf, vice chair, and Kirk Leonard, secretary/treasurer, all of whom were present.</p> <p>Also present were David Tomkins, Dave MacMillan, Seleste Liyanage, Bill Smaldone, Darwin Sandau, Jeff Leach, and Marcia Hoak..</p> <p>Good news (actually later in the meeting) was the city having hired a new tree person, Milon Davis, and planting trees again, most recently on Bellevue.</p>
<p>7:05</p>	<p>Guests: Salem PD Officer Jordan; Code Compliance Officer Anthony Hinkle; Courtney Knox Busch, city of Salem’s plan to maintain critical services through revenue; Salem Parks Foundation grant kick-off (Carol Snyder or rep).</p> <p>Sgt Juster reported that a sexual offender had moved into a home on Tripp St and nearby neighbors would be notified, as required.</p> <p>Officer Hinkle reported that the property at 598 18th St had been totally unresponsive to city actions and fines for several years, but that new enforcement action was imminent. This was after a complaint by a board member. It is an old machine shop and “a great location for a horror film.” Additionally, he noted that the house at 1865 Trade was off the problem house list, having been purchased by a new owner and due to have a rehab. Additionally, there will be a new code enforcement officer in SESNA soon, Officer Russell.</p> <p>Bob Barron gave a presentation about the city’s financial situation and long term budget problems, leading to the new operating fee, effective this month, and a May ballot referral for a new employee payroll tax that will raise approximately \$9.1M per year for public safety purposes, allowing Salem to up the ratio of police and fire personnel/1000 residents to levels closer to other cities in Oregon, but still below them.</p>

	<p>Carol Snyder let us know that Salem Parks Foundation applications for funding of parks improvement needed to be submitted by April 30. We could also submit an application in the absence of a match and use the next year to raise it because grant applications are approved for a two year period.</p>
7:45	<p>Council Updates - Tom Andersen, City Councilor for Ward 2 Not present, believed to be on vacation.</p>
8:00	<p>Neighbor Concerns</p> <p>Arnaud mentioned problems with people having trash in their yards and cars being parked on sidewalks. Officer Hinkle responded that if and when garbage becomes hazardous action can be taken, and that little is done about cars on a sidewalk unless the sidewalk is completely blocked.</p>
8:15	<p>New Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upcoming quarterly Chair’s meeting – Arnaud will share topics he’ll bring forth at that meeting. <p>Arnaud intends to talk about homeless camping and the potential impact in SESNA of new, proposed city code allowing it in industrial zones because of the location and extent of industrial zoned land in the area, a good deal of which is directly adjacent to residential areas.</p>
8:20	<p>Old Business/Project updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moving SESNA domain service to Google account. Confirm costs. <p>We have until May to decide what to do about the sesna.us hosting service and a proposal to investigate simply keeping the domain name and having it point to our Facebook page, which is used much more and kept up in a more timely way. Hopefully a determination will be made soon based on conversations among Darrin, Arnaud, Jeff and Dave who are the most informed individuals on the board (or volunteering as with Dave).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Party in Park this June 14 or 28 <p>Yes, it will happen, with support from a group of us tbd.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SESNA yard sale <p>Yes, it will happen May 23rd, 9-3, and Kirk will be looking for support from certain individuals soon.</p>
8:40	<p>Project/Partnership/Committee Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South Salem Connect • Land Use, • Other? <p>SSC had a presentation from FlySLE (SLE is airport speak for the Salem airport),</p>

	<p>a group advocating and raising funds for a return of commercial air service to Salem. There was both support and opposition evident among attendees. Between grants and money raised to guarantee revenue for airlines, it may happen one day.</p> <p>The only land use actions of late were a couple of applications for upgrades (but ugly) to local public tele pole mounted wifi equipment on Hawthorne (near Costco) and 25th (near Simpson).</p>
8:50	Good of the order/Adjourn We adjourned shortly before 9.