

# SESNA Board Meeting Minutes

**April 28, 2020 from 7:30 p.m. till 8:30 p.m.**

The meeting was done using Cisco Webex teleconferencing, starting at 7:30 p.m. An abbreviated agenda included finalizing our Website host issues, and firming plans to submit a Parks Foundation Grant. We also decided to hold summer meetings in parks, under the theme, “Six Feet Apart in the Park.” June, July, August, based on last year’s schedule.

Attendees were Shannon Priem, Arnaud Verstuyl, Kirk Leonard, Bill Smaldone, Darwin Sandau, Jeff Leach, Seleste Liyanage, Darrin Brightman and Dave MacMillan.

After some review and discussion of the proposed change for hosting of our sesna.us domain, the board approved a \$12 expenditure to establish Google as our domain host. Attendees were referred to the document reviewing options created by Arnaud. It will basically become a “passive” site, receiving input from activity on the SESNA Facebook page. Phase 1 of this is to move Darrin’s website to be hosted by Google for free, moving from Yahoo. May 6 is deadline, or face renewal charge of \$48

Arnaud will move the domain from Yahoo to Google.

Arnaud will move the website from Wordpress.com to Google, by May 6.

We affirmed our intention to file an application with Salem Parks Foundation due April 30 to resurface and provide new backboards for the Aldrich Park basketball court. Arnaud had noted several project options discussed previously, but in light of COVID and city resources (several emails not answered), we decided to stick with Aldrich improvements this year. Also discussed fixing fencing; Kirk as Parks Chair will sign a grant request, along with Shannon. Approval was unanimous.

Kirk and Shannon will file the grant request, before the end of the month.

Several people expressed curiosity about the shrubbery that was to be installed at the property managed by Tyler Clark at 560 21st St. It was noted that there were indications that it was finally starting. A desire to visit the facilities operating there now was expressed. We will invite Tyler to a future meeting for an update.

Also discussed the city's proposal to bring commercial air service back to Salem airport, a venture that has failed before. Bill Smaldone will draft a letter about our concerns to share with the city, even though it may be too late. He mentioned it could be drafted in two weeks (May 11).

William will draft a letter to the Salem City Council, to express our concerns, by May 11

We will also invite the new city forester to a meeting to discuss what we can do in SESNA regarding future tree plantings.

The meeting was adjourned around 8:30 p.m. Short meetings are great.