

November 5, 2019 Meeting
South West Association of Neighbors

Attendees

Becky Miner, Jeanine Stice, Connie Jones, Stacy Taylor, Anne Theis, Sue Dorn, Cynthia Donald, Greg Walsh, Sammy Basu, Meenal Basu, Becky Beaman, Judy O'Malia, Colleen Peters, Leonard Nelson, Pat Norman, Ron Eachus, Ted Burney, Reid Sund, Andie Andeen, Dean Bagley, Heidi Fitzgerald, D Dupuis, Anthony Test, Garth Janke, Andrew Connolly, Luc Charwin, Allison Houck, Darren Howard, Vanessa Nordyke

Meeting called to order by Becky Miner at 6:35pm
Minutes approved and seconded with corrections

Police Officer Report

Do not leave cars unattended when motor is running
It is not an offense to peer into cars – only when attempt is being made to break in should police be contacted.
New police building will start giving tours in November – updates on city of Salem website
City is accepting police applications for new approved positions – to date 61 candidates have passed physical/ interviews requirements out of 180 applicants.
“Sit Lie” position is advocated by Police Chief but currently “no recourse on enforcement action”.
Neighbor cited that there are currently no storage or 24 hour restroom services being provided for the homeless.
Drug and “Persons related” crimes are up 20% over LY

Code Compliance Officer Report

Debbie Romano not in attendance

City Councilor, Ward 7 Report – Vanessa Nordyke

Vanessa Nordyke is the interim city counselor replacing Sally Cook for the remainder of her term
Vanessa’s background includes being 3rd generation OR DOJ, served on the Salem Youth advisory council, Community Police review, Budget committee, Social Service advisory council and YMCA.
Her focus is to make our community livable and encourages input on homelessness and the Sit Lie issue.

City of Salem Clean Streams Initiative – Stacy Teller

Stacy Teller is the outreach and marketing spokesperson for Clean Steams.
Interesting facts: nearly 90 miles of streams run though the city; there are more than 14,000 storm drains which drain directly into the streams; urban run-off pollutants include pesticides, fertilizer, garbage, auto fluids
Ways you can help: Capital K-9 Club,(700 members), storm drain awareness, friendly car care (wash car on lawn), riparian planting, watershed protection grants, water conservation, adopt a stream, rain garden smart, manage roof runoff with driveway pavers.
Contact stormwateroutreach@cityofsalem.net or 503-588-6211 for more information

City of Salem Emergency Preparedness - Greg Walsh

CERT trained representatives joined Greg to promote the concept of neighbors helping neighbors in being prepared for a natural disaster. They provide 21 hours of free training focusing on being self sufficient and having enough supplies such as food, water, shelter and meds for 2 weeks in the event of a natural (seismic) disaster.
Contact lolahackette@yahoo.com to register for classes.
Red Cross also has an emergency preparedness 24 day training program.
“My Pocket Plan” booklets were distributed for family members to record vital information for emergency preparedness. More information - gwalsh@cityofsalem.net

Fall Leaf Haul

Residents can bring bagged leaves and grass to the Brown Island Disposal site free of charge on November 16 from 9-3 and December 14 from 9-3.

Election of Officers

Officers elected: President - Jeanine Stice

Vice President - Allison Houck

Secretary/Treasurer - Connie Jones reconfirmed having been elected in May.

Committees confirmed: Land Use – Ted Burney, Chair; Ron Eachus, member; Len Nelson, member

Parks – Pat Norman, Chair

Water shed council – Carol Grimwood

Emergency Preparedness – Jennifer Carley, chair; Andie Andeen, member

New Board member confirmed: Pat Norman, Ted Burney, Ron Eachus,

Follow-up to Neighborhood Concerns

Ted Burney spoke about a proposed code involving designation of non-profit status for conservation lots and will provide more information at next meeting.

Request made for clarification of multi-housing as to purpose and intent of code.

By-laws need to be updated to include a provision for board members to be able to vote via email on time sensitive issues.

Eunice Kim has been requested at next meeting to speak on Salem Vision Plan.

Thanks was given to Becky Miner for her service and a job well done as she ends her tenure as president but remains on the board.

Meeting adjourned approximately 8 pm.