

BHT NA VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES

Barrington Heights, Hidden Creek Estates, Tanner Woods Subdivisions

May 15, 2024 6:00-7:00 PM

Meeting Link and Details at WestLinnOregon.gov/BHT

**Agenda Topics, Discussion and Decisions**

- A. **Call to Order:** BHT President, Robert Jester, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM
- B. **Roll Call of Attendees:** Secretary, Rebel Steirer recorded the following Attendees:
- C. **Board of Director Introductions:** President, Robert Jester, Vice President, Grace Cargni, Secretary, Rebel Steirer, Treasurer, Pia Snyder each introduced themselves to the attendees stating where they lived and what they do for the Board.

BHTNA Residents	Guests
Sarah Carter Joseph & Carol Benda Darren Stegemoller Gail C Geoff & Makena Clive Susan Ludwigsen Leanne & Cameron MacMillan	Luke Boreland, Public Works Communication Specialist Mayor Bialostosky

- D. **Luke Boreland Introduced:** Robert Jester introduced Luke Boreland. Luke is with the Public Works Department, he worked for the director and is responsible for communications outreach and project management.

**New Public Works Facility:** The construction that has been going on along Salamo Rd, below Barrington Heights Neighborhood is for the future public works facility that will replace the current facility located between Norfolk and Sussex Street off of Sunset. The city is about 50% finished with the site plan placing buildings and other work spaces for the area. Due to the drastic elevation change in this property, the resident's of Barrington Heights will not be able to see any of these buildings or activity unless they were to walk to the edge of their properties and peer down. There will be a gradual long driveway from Salamo Rd to access the property. The city has already incorporated turn lanes for the site and in response to our safety concerns, they engineered a safety space to turn into when leaving the Barrington Heights entrance and they trimmed the landscaping on the berm just up hill.

Once this facility is finished, it will be considered a "closed public facility" which is a facility intended for operations only for the Public Works and Parks and Recreation departments, not for services for the public.

**Future of current Public Works Facility** :The current buildings are on about two acres off of Norfolk and Sussex and there is no firm plan as to what the City Council plans to do with this area in the future but it will be excess property once the departments are moved to the new location. The sale of this property was originally talked about as a means to finance the new property.

Should the sale of this property go to a developer for high density residential, the neighbors in this association should be aware that adding 20 plus residential dwellings will have an impact on the number of cars travelling through the neighborhood.

**E. Board Member Re-Election:**

Pia Snyder is re-elected to the Treasurer position and Grace Cargni is re-elected to the Vice-President position.

- F. **Willow Ridge Development & Icon:** Darin Stegemoller, Hidden Creek Estates Resident, had requested help from the city to resolve an issue with Icon Development regarding Icon's follow through with their agreement to replace mature trees that they removed while doing site prep work at the new Cornwall development called "Willow Ridge". Thanks to some brainstorming with Mayor Bialostosky there was some response from Icon. 2 out of 6 trees were planted. They are not mature trees, but they are a step in the right direction.

On another note, during the construction on one of the homes, a large boulder has rolled down the hill and into the Stegemoller's fence. He requested input on who to talk to about this. Pia and Robert recommended he reach out to Darren @ Icon to have it repaired. Darrin is also going to talk to them about setting up precautions, so this doesn't happen again.

Darrin also brought up the issue of what was done with the money that was originally allocated for the walking path that was to connect Cornwall street and Fairhaven Drive. The original development plan had a walking path allocated there and now it has been eliminated. Mayor and Robert recommend to send an email to the city manager about this.

**G. Treasurer's Update:** Pia Snyder, Treasurer

Pia Snyder, reported that we currently have \$9,719.70 in our account which is the balance after we paid for the yearly zoom meeting platform fee, \$15.99 and the landscape improvements on the Cornwall Bridge, \$700.00. There is also a new expense coming up for the neighborhood association meeting announcement signs, approved and currently being made. Last year we received \$1200.00 and the year before \$750.00 to be used for things to help out the neighborhood. Robert Jester shared that the City funds the associations with amounts based on the population of each association and that the money is intended to be used for things that will benefit a neighborhood such as communication or landscape projects. Pia Snyder has asked the group to think of ways we can use some of the money to help make our neighborhood better and others proposed having a neighborhood work party to clean up the green spaces around us that the city doesn't have the budget to work on and the association could provide treats and some supplies maybe.

H. **Neighborhood Association Meeting Announcement Signs:** Rebel Steirer worked with Gail C with Summit Graphics to work up a sign idea. Rebel created a QR code which links back to the Cities website for access to our meetings notes and our agendas. Residents that are familiar with these can use their cell phone to get easy access to the next meeting information. The sign designs were approved by the board and are in the process of being made. Below is an example of the QR code.



I. **Recreation Center:** May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6:00 PM Adult Community Center, the City is having another outreach meeting to discuss the feasibility of the community recreation center. If anyone would like to see their study or their design ideas, this would be a great opportunity to do so.

An alternative to building the center could be to join the brand new Lake Oswego Center being built on Stafford Rd. It does sound like there will be opportunities for West Linn residents to do so.

J. **Tolling Project Update:** Rory Bialostosky. 2025 Legislative Session is an extended time period for legislating and one of the main topics this year will be to focus on the transportation package. The Governor shut down the tolling decision until the legislature has had a chance to weigh in and provide direction. ODOT was about to sign a 100 million dollar contract to set up a tolling system. This system would have cost 10s of millions to put in place, like to buy the equipment, software, offices, staff, consultants etc. So, the Governor stopped this tolling decision from happening because it was such a huge commitment and it wasn't clear if this was ever going to be feasible. Current status is they are shifting money from tolling to somewhere else to pay for the 385 million that we need for the I-205 Bridge work. They were talking to OTC about financing based on other revenues, taking on more debt or cutting other transportation projects from around the state. None of these are ideal options, but we need these projects to have the funding equitably distributed across the state as this bridge benefits the whole state. Both of these options are better than tolling.

K. **Adjourned:** Robert Jester concluded the meeting at 7 PM. **Date for Next Meeting:**  
**September 18th, Zoom , 6:00-7:00 PM**

Minutes Approved By:

Signature	Title	Date
<i>Robert Jester</i>	Robert Jester, BHT NA President	8/30/2024
<i>Grace Cargni</i>	Grace Cargni, BHT NA Vice President	8/30/2024
<i>Rebel Steirer</i>	Rebel Steirer, BHT NA Secretary	8/30/2024
<i>Pia Snyder</i>	Pia Snyder, BHT NA Treasurer	8/30/2024