



## **BOLTON NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION**

**DRAFT MINUTES: Tuesday, April 18, 2023**

**Library /Zoom Hybrid Meeting**

**Meeting Called to Order: Robert McCarthy: 7:00 PM**

**Zoom members,** Zoom members: Please mute when talking w/members at home.

**Welcome to attendees and get acquainted with Zoom: Attendees:** 16: 2 presenters; 3 Skyline; 11 members

**Draft: March 21, 2023 Minutes:** Approved

**Draft Agenda:** Approved.

**Treasurer's Report, Given by Jan McCarthy:** Bank Balance: \$3816.34 Expense: \$3.20 Printing

**Candidates Forum:** Bob McCarthy, President, welcomed candidate, Interim Mayor, Rory Bialostosky. Unfortunately, Candidate Bill Relyea was unable to meet with us due a personal emergency. Rory spoke about his background growing up in West Linn, education, skills and flat sides, employment, why he is running for Mayor, and the issues he deems as highly important and the difficult barriers facing the City. There was an open and in-depth conversation with members asking Rory questions how he purposes to lead and help resolve the difficult issues for West Linn. In particular: ODOT/Abernathy Bridge- tolling, in concert with surrounding cities, and the costly replacement of the water line on the bridge for West Linn, and maintenance of Rte 43. This was a good process for open discussion

### **Updates:**

- **Willamette River Noise Pollution:** No further information at this time. Further discussion with potential financier for legal action and as supported by affected neighbors on the river.
- **Vote to approve \$500 to fund a memorial bench in Maddax Woods:** Alma Coston reported that Friends of Maddax Woods have \$\$, donated by BNA, for Christmas lights several years ago. Maddax Woods has not used all of these funds which they will return. A vote to increase the amount to donate from \$400 to \$500 was passed by members present.
- **Old Bolton Fire Station's Future Center as a center for Emergency Preparedness.** Continue to reach out to surrounding neighbors for their involvement to help decide the future of the building.
- **Skyline Circle & Skyline Drive:** Sunset NA president/members need to attend a City Council meeting to request change in the voting number for a quorum.
- **Initiative IP-4: Proposed Constitution Amendment "A vote is required before any new toll."**

<https://votebeforetolls.org/initiative/#:~:text=About%20Us-,Initiative,IP%2D4%20is%20a%20PROPOSED%20CONSTITUTIONAL%20AMENDMENT,-%22A%20vote%20is>

- **BNA signs:** Jan McCarthy requested to wait to replace the old tired signs. At this time the Bolton Fire Station has not opened their community room for the public and have no idea as to when it will be available for BNA. The West Linn Public Library community room available through October, 2023.
- **BNA priorities for 2023**
  - Old Bolton Fire Station
  - BNA involve with other neighborhood associations for combined shared social activities.

#### **Future Agenda Items**

- **Bolton Neighborhood Signs:** 2 signs have been approved by Ken Warner, Director of Parks and Recreation. Suggestions of where to place the signs to designate our Bolton Neighborhood.
- **Community Bolton Neighborhood Gatherings/Activates**

**Maddax Woods:** Third Saturday of the month volunteer clean-up. To sign up go to:  
<https://www.solveoregon.org/opportunity/a0C8W00000VAHsmUAH/maddax-woods-monthly-cleanup>

#### **Reflection, Appreciations and Meeting Feedback:**

**Adjourn: 8:30 pm** Thank you, everyone, for another great meeting.

**Reminder: Stay up to date with your Bolton Neighborhood by visiting our community website at:** <https://westlinnoregon.gov/bolton>

See BNA Hot Topics: <https://westlinnoregon.gov/bolton/hot-topics-announcements>

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