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Hidden Springs Neighborhood Association
September 18, 2018
TVF&R Station 55 – Scheduled 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

Quorum: A quorum was established with 27 members present.

President, Lauren Beeney called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm
Due to the number of people present, member introductions were waived.

Officer' Report:

Treasure's Report: Balance as of Sept. 18, 2018 was \$9,198.15, which included a deposit from the City of West Linn of \$1,066.16 for our annual grant. Expenditures not yet paid totaled \$245.26 for refreshments for the Ivy Pull and purchase of new signage for the Fire hall location and baby sitters for the Sept. meeting.

Introduction of new police Chief Terry Kruger – Chief Kruger introduced his Capt. Otis Collins. Chief Kruger shared his personal employment history and explained the state of the department when he arrived in June 2018 and what he was tasked with during these past three months. He has primarily been working on filling empty positions in his department through promotions and new hires. He explained the lengthy process of hiring new officers. Kruger also talked about emergency preparedness. If a catastrophic event should occur and Chief Krueger could not get across the Abernathy bridge from his home in Happy Valley to come to work he would be required to report to any police station that he was able to get to. Likewise if an officer lives in West Linn and works elsewhere, that officer would be required to report to one of our West Linn stations.

Introduction of TVF&R Lt. Stenhouse – Lt. Stenhouse welcomed us to the Community Room in the new fire station 55 on Hidden Springs Road. Our attendance surprised us and we exceeded the 20 person room capacity so we will most likely need to move our meetings back to the West Linn Adult Community Center. Lt. Stenhouse explained that the addition of the fire station on the top of the hill would allow for much faster response time should an incident occur in the Rosemont corridor. The station has four fire fighters and one paramedic on duty at all times. The station has one engine and one ladder truck. In line with our discussion of safety and the fact that September is Safety Month, Lt. Stenhouse explained that at the first sign of an earthquake both of vehicles are immediately moved out of the building. At that point they do assessments and assuming communications are down, are able to communicate via AT&T First Net. Lt. Stenhouse invited us all to attend the Open House at the fire station on Saturday, October 6, 2018 from 11:00 to 2:00.

Emergency Preparedness/Map Your Neighborhood – Patti Niswanger

Map Your Neighborhood pamphlets were offered to those members in attendance that were interested in organizing a Map Your Neighborhood event on their street. Usually a group would consist of 10 to 15 households that then meet together at one house. They share information with regard to who lives in their house including pets, they inform others of any special needs that anyone has, and what skills they can offer others at a time of emergency. There are volunteers that will come to your home to help a group of neighbors get organized. Reach out on email to westlinnprepare@gmail.com

Ivy Task Force- Eleanor Wynn

The first Ivy Pull on the Palomino Trail was held on Saturday, Sept. 15, seven individuals helped with the effort and it resulted in the girding 30 trees. The next event will be Saturday, Sept. 29, in coordination with SOLVE. 50 employees of PGE are scheduled to assist with this massive effort to remove ivy from trees and the ground around them.

Future Projects/Areas of Concern

The desire for a more identifiable crosswalk at Clubhouse Circle & Santa Anita was brought up again. Mayor Axelrod assured us it was in the plans and that money from our neighborhood association would not be needed to make this happen.

Also, the need for an improved intersection and sidewalks at Hwy 43 and Pimlico is in the conceptual design phase.

Member Carrie Pellett brought up a suggestion that we review the code changes for our neighborhood with regard to sidewalks and other improvements warning against a “one size fits all” plan.

A reminder to membership that Officer Haverson would be involved with this year’s toy drive and suggested that the HSNA participate with a donation. No motion was made.

President Lauren Beeney suggested we consider meeting less frequently, no decision was made on that. The board will meet to decide on the meeting date and agenda for the next meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.