

HIDDEN SPRINGS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION
MEETING SUMMARY- *APPROVED 8/18/2020*

June 18, 2019

West Linn Adult Community Center

7-8:30 PM

Meeting called to order by President Lauren Beeney.

Quorum achieved with 13 neighbors present

Introduction of members

Previous secretary report approved

Bank balance: \$8942.89

Agenda Item #1. Morgan Palmer, consultant to the City of West Linn presented Safe Routes to School. After assessing several options, 4 projects were identified & map provided identifying those crossings. The presentation focused on those routes within the Hidden Springs neighborhood, focusing on Trillium Elementary. Aside from identifying the highest value areas, the plan includes promoting those routes so that children are concentrated into the safe routes, and there is less/no ambiguity. This also enables the concentration of resources, funded out of the general obligation bond. The 8-month projects would involve improvements to crossings and other light infrastructure.

1. Hidden Springs Road and Suncrest with RFB (Rapid Flash Beacon) and an ADA compliant refuge island due to the width of the street.
2. Santa Anita and Pimlico, adding RFB. A member suggested a stop sign but feeder streets are not supposed to have stop signs as they are designed for traffic flow. A member pointed out that there is a lack of sidewalk from Pimlico to Clubhouse Drive. Not clear whether this would be fixed in the plan.
3. Option: Hidden Springs and Santa Anita instead of Clubhouse.
4. Pave the existing trail that goes from northwest side of Santa Anita to Trillium Creek primary school & add safety lighting. Some members did not endorse that plan.

Hidden Springs and Rosemont intersection was also raised as an issue, but Hidden Springs & Pimlico has scored so far as the highest priority.

Other opportunities identified: signage for safe trails to make the routes obvious, orange tab for safe routes.

Agenda Item #2. Presentation of Ivy mitigation proposal, PowerPoint slides attached. The proposal was to engage Jesus Franco at \$7000 to circle ivy roots on Douglas Fir and base spritz the ivy roots with triclopyr, a non-carcinogenic low toxicity herbicide, as well as to remove invasive spurge laurel and holly on all 16.63 acres of the Trillium Creek green space. The area is in a ravine with steep slopes. The ivy covers about 30% of trees and 90% of ground. Volunteer crews have been out in conjunction with SOLV,

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no Trillium Street?

but the area is large. Areas where ivy was removed last Fall showed regrowth of the native trillium the creek is named for.

The City owns the green spaces but does not allocate budget to maintain them.

There was a robust discussion about the potential hazards of ivy, liability, and fire risk.

The motion for spending \$7000 was made, and the proposal was defeated in a 6-7 vote.

A motion was made to request a fire risk assessment from TVFR, and members voted in favor of HSNA President reaching out and inviting them to the next meeting to discuss options.

Agenda Item #3. Follow-up from WL Lions Club to thank West Linn Police Department and TVFR at the WL Old Fashioned Fair with a plaque for each officer. The motion was passed and the vote to donate \$100 to this project was unanimous.

Aside from agenda items, the topic of the Steel Interstate Project for 205 bridge was raised. A certain Mr. Robinson was named as a contact for this. He is looking for a way to connect with interested Homeowners (and presumably Neighborhood) Associations to seek alternative river and rail-based transportation methods to avert the toll bridge and its likely effect on local traffic.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30. Next meeting is scheduled for August 27.