

West Linn

ROSEMONT SUMMIT NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

February 4, 2021

1. Call to Order

Abby Farber called the zoom meeting to order at 7.03 pm.

2. Review & Approve minutes of January meeting.

The minutes were reviewed and unanimously approved.

3. Review & Approve Treasurer's Report

The N.A. has a balance of \$9,681.20 with its account at Pacific West. The N.A. has dedicated \$2,000 for 2 benches to be installed at Sahallie Illahee Park.

4. Ongoing Business

Mary Baumgardner, a West Linn city councilor, attended the N.A. meeting. Mary was first given an opportunity to provide some background information. Mary lives in Willamette and has previously been secretary of the Willamette N.A. Mary has served on several city committees. Members of the N.A. were given the opportunity to pose questions to Mary and the issues addressed were (1) the development work that has been done on the commercial area of Willamette Falls Drive, the proposed new primary school on Dollar Street, the impact of tolling on I205 on neighborhood traffic, the West Linn post office, and a land use planning meeting for Barrington Heights.

The West Linn post office is scheduled to close in February. Recent discussions have renewed talks about the use of the former McDonald's building on Willamette Blvd for packages and a nearby empty retail store as a potential site for retail postal services. Given the importance of postal services to West Linn, members of the N.A. were encouraged to contact our representative and senators in Congress which are Senator Ron Wyden - (202) 224-5244, choose #1 to leave a message. Senator Jeff Merkley - (202) 224-3753, leave message after beep. Representative Kurt Schrader - (202) 225-5711, you are likely to talk with a real person, share the same message with him/her.

David Kleinke gave a PowerPoint presentation on the ongoing work at Sahallie Illahee Park. On January 19th, there were 34 volunteers including 10 from the West Linn High School Honor Society. According to David, 95% of the Ivy has been removed from Ibach Park so now the focus will turn to Sahallie Illahee Park. There is blackberry which will require ongoing maintenance, some removal of holly will require chain saw. There is, however, easier work that could even be done by kids.

Abby indicated that she was investigating the cost of a composting toilet that could be installed at either Sahallie Illahee Park or Wilderness Park. More to follow.

Following the January meeting, Abby contacted the city about the installation of Crossing Signs on Rosemont Road at the intersection of Meadowlark Drive and Wild Rose Drive. The city took prompt action, and the Crossing Signs were installed.

Abby informed the members that a new bench had been installed at Sahallie Illahee Park by a private citizen. Abby contacted the city for more information and was informed that a new bench and a plaque costs \$700. After discussion, the N.A. passed a resolution to proceed with 2 benches at Sahallie Illahee Park and appropriate another \$100 to install a bench at Wilderness Park. One bench at Sahallie Illahee Park would be dedicated to Ken Worchester and David Baker. The second bench at Sahallie Illahee Park would be dedicated to the indigenous tribes that previously lived in the area. The bench at Wilderness Park would be dedicated to Susan Tarvin and Bill Wilkins

5. New Business

David Kleinke mentioned that the next SOLVE event at Mary S Young Park was on February 6th and at Sahallie Illahee Park on February 13th. Bill reminded that the SOLVE work at wilderness Park would be on February 27th. Members of the N.A. were encouraged to lend a hand.

6. Attendee Update

Members of the N.A. were given time to update their neighbors on how things are going during the pandemic.

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at 7 pm on Thursday, March 4th on Zoom. Jules Walters, West Linn City Mayor has indicated that she would attend the meeting. The meeting will focus on environment and climate change with a speaker from Backyard Habitats. Abby encouraged members to suggest topics for future meeting.

8. Adjourn

Abby Farber adjourned the meeting at 8.49 pm.