Savanna Oaks Neighborhood Association Meeting March 7, 2023

Minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Richard Sakelik at 7:04 p.m. There were twelve SONA members present at the onset of the meeting. This met the quorum requirement of a minimum of ten members to approve the SONA agenda and minutes. In addition, there were two guests from the community in attendance. SONA's online meeting announcement and agenda were posted to the City of West Linn's website and email reminders were sent to members.

A motion was made by Rich Faith and seconded by Pat Rushton to approve the minutes. No changes were proposed. The motion passed with 11 members voting yes and one member abstaining.

Treasurer's Report:

SONA Treasurer Frank Carini stated that the current SONA balance is \$6,600.

Community Comments:

SONA President Richard Sakelik welcomed guests and a new member in attendance.

Old Business:

There was no old business addressed.

New Business:

A. Public Works Presentation

Three representatives for the City of West Linn presented a project scope slideshow and answered questions concerning the 10th Steet/Salamo Road Project. Luke Borland, Public Works Communications Specialist, Jimmy Houf, Civil Engineer and consultant from Harper Houf Peterson Righellis (HHPR), and Erich Lais, the Assistant City Engineer and project manager discussed details of Phase 2A of the current 10th Street/ Salamo Road Project. Project highlights included the following: roundabout at Willamette Falls Drive and 10th Street, 8th Avenue and 10th Street intersection improvements, and extended separate bike and pedestrian facilities between 10th Street/Willamette Falls Drive and Salamo Road/Barrington Drive. Changes along Salamo Road between 10th Street and Barrington Drive will also include a multiuse path, repaving of Salamo Road, drainage improvements, and a Public Works facility driveway.

The anticipated start date for Phase 2A could be as early as April 2023 and the projected completion date is the end of 2023 or early 2024.

B. SONA Discussion

President Sakelik asked attendees what topics they would like to hear addressed at future meetings and solicited input regarding increasing membership participation. Ideas offered for future topics included personal cybersecurity, code enforcement, I-205 issues related to waterline and tolling, and TVF&R presentations.

Discussion also focused on how to increase membership participation in SONA. Suggestions centered on increasing the neighborhood's awareness of SONA and the role of neighborhood associations. Ideas recommended by participants included distribution of flyers, postcards, updated street placards announcing upcoming meetings, and use of social media such as Facebook. President Sakelik suggested a citywide neighborhood association social event such as a barbeque. Others thought an ice cream social or picnic this summer might bring SONA neighbors together.

C. Other Business

Roberta Schwarz inquired about plans to coordinate with the Parks and Recreation Department regarding the annual mowing of the White Oak Savanna park this summer for wildfire mitigation. Roberta also mentioned verifying and arranging with the Parks and Recreation Department on using the NW Youth Corp for clearing areas of the park as in previous years. Richard Sakelik requested Roberta Schwarz send him contact information that could be used to coordinate the mowing projects.

Roberta further reminded everyone that April 22, 2023 is Earth Day and SOLVE will be coordinating a volunteer event at the White Oak Savanna on that day.

Next Meeting:

Richard Sakelik stated that the next Savanna Oaks NA meeting will be held on May 2. 2023 as a virtual meeting via Zoom.

Rich Sakelik, seeing no further business, adjourned the meeting at 8:59 p.m.

Submitted by Lori Carini, SONA Secretary