

Sunset Neighborhood Association Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 8, 2026

Location: Online, Zoom Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. A motion to approve the agenda was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

PRESENT

12 members were present throughout the meeting.

The meeting attendance sheet is in our files and is available upon request.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Minutes of the previous January 7, 2026 meeting were available and approved as posted on the SNA website.

TREASURER'S REPORT

SNA – Discretionary Funds

Date	Description	Debit	Credit
March 25, 2026	Zoom - Annual Subscription	\$159.90	
August 22, 2025	Big size poster prints - Summer Gathering	\$37.03	
August 20, 2025	Dairy Hill Events - Summer Gathering	\$150.00	
August 15, 2025	PNW Iconic Events - Summer Gathering	\$340.00	
August 13, 2025	Spectator Pizza - Summer Gathering	\$288.61	
August 13, 2025	Amazon Purchase - Summer Gathering	\$7.59	
August 07, 2025	Dairy Hill Events - Summer Gathering	\$450.00	
August 04, 2025	Dollar Tree - Summer Gathering	\$25.25	
July 21, 2025	WL Library - Copies - Summer Gathering	\$7.50	
July 21, 2025	Amazon Purchase - Summer Gathering	\$52.43	
July 21, 2025	Amazon Purchase - Summer Gathering	\$35.47	
July 18, 2025	Amazon Purchase - Summer Gathering	\$20.38	
July 17, 2025	Yearly stipend, City of West Linn		\$1,589.13
June 27, 2025	Initial payment artist for Summer Gathering	\$50.00	
April 17, 2025	Donation to Historic Willamette Main Street	\$150.00	
April 08, 2025	Check #1006 Zoom Annual Subscription	\$159.90	
March 17, 2025	Yearly stipend, City of West Linn		\$1,458.09

Available Balance \$7,813.60

GUEST SPEAKERS

Kate Kauffman, Backyard Habitat Certification Program

Some of the topics discussed:

- **Program Overview:** Kate discussed the program's 20-year history of helping residents create wildlife-friendly and climate-resilient yards.
- **Member Benefits:** Enrolled participants receive a one-hour yard consultation, a thorough site report, and discounts at native nurseries.
- **Key Strategies:** Focus areas include planting native species (which are more resilient than ornamental plants), managing storm water, and reducing toxic impacts. Kate noted that "leaving the leaves" in the fall supports beneficial insects.
- **Promotion:** A free enrollment code (**BHCP100**) was offered to residents, valid until June 1, 2026.

Chief Oddis Rollins, West Linn Police Department

Some of the topics discussed:

- **Department Update:** Chief Rollins introduced himself as the new Chief and noted recent promotions, including Captain Bill Garland and Sergeants Hayden Eickmeyer and Jabral Johnson.

- **Staffing:** The department is currently seeking to fill three patrol officer positions, representing a 25% staff shortage.
- **Crime Statistics:** In 2025, the Sunset neighborhood had only 13 reported crimes (primarily property crimes like identity theft and theft), down from 23 in 2024. West Linn continues to be ranked as one of the safest cities in Oregon.
- **Q & A:** Chief Rollins confirmed that while West Linn is not specifically designated as a sanctuary city, the department follows state law and does not enforce federal immigration law.

Kevin Bonnington, West Linn City Councilor, Framing Our Future

- **City Initiative:** Councilor Bonnington presented a new initiative regarding the city's long-term financial crossroads.
- **Engagement:** Residents are encouraged to visit yourwestlinn.com to provide feedback on city values and service levels. Information will also be included in the upcoming quarterly newsletter, *The Owl*.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Summer Gathering 2026:** Scheduled for Sunday, **August 23, 2026**, at Sunset Park. A motion was made and approved for a \$2,000 budget, matching the previous year's allocation. A call for task force volunteers was issued, an email will follow for those interested in party planning.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Adopt A Street:** The first cleaning activity took place in March, covering about half a mile of Sunset. The next cleaning is scheduled for **May 9th**.
- **Sunset Park Swing:** The new "bird's nest" style swing structure has been successfully installed and is open for use.
- **Flagged Crosswalks:** The board plans to purchase three reflective flag kits (approximately \$200 each) to pilot at approved safety hotspots.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Suggestion: Introduction of the new Parks Director (pending hire).

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Sunset NA, the meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

**** Next meeting will take place on July 8th. ****

Respectfully submitted by Cayetano Gil Sanchez, Secretary of the SNA.

SNA OFFICERS

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