

3/13/2019 Willamette Neighborhood Association Draft Minutes

Julia called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, there were 43 people in attendance

Minutes were passed unanimously

Treasurer = Elizabeth informed us that we have \$3174.36 in the Pacific West account.

TVFR = Todd River reminded us to change the batteries in smoke alarms. There will be a levee renewal for 5 more years. It will not raise your taxes. It will help pay for 42 firefighters and equipment.

ODOT Wall = Steve Alexander (citizen) informed us about ODOT's intention to put up a "sound wall" along 205 on the Salamo/Blankenship side, with the widening of 205. There are only 233 "sound receptors" who get to vote for/against the wall. Only 6-7 out of the 14 eligible voters received the information. Deadline for the vote is 3/23/19. The wall is a federal item. ODOT sent out only 100 notifications. You need 118 to oppose it so that the wall will not be built. ODOT had 2 back to back meetings. People asked for more time. Elected City officials appeared to be unaware. Joe Botafuco (in charge of the Camasia Park) knew nothing about it. TVFR had not been informed (wall would make fighting the wildfires more difficult). It would cost \$2.5 million per mile to build the wall (over 3 miles worth). It would negatively affect the migrating wildlife. Steve asked for, but has not yet received, the decibel readings taken by ODOT. He then went and took his own readings, his readings were 60 – 61 decibels in his entire area (14 homes, decibels at this level does not qualify) and 76 -80 decibels on the Sunset overpass during peak traffic. Section C at rush hour (4 – 6 pm) 61 -62 decibels. There is a minimum number of decibels in order to qualify for wall and must be financially feasible. Wall will bring heat, cut off animals to habitat, invitation to potential homeless (West A St. to 10 St. Homelessness already an issue). The question was raised about who would count/monitor the votes (due to ODOT's lack of transparency). It was also brought up that the wall would shoot the noise across the freeway to the residents on the other side (Dollar St., Main St., Willamette Falls Dr., etc.)

West Linn Wilsonville School District = Andre Kilstrom and Tom Woodley (Director of Operations) the school would like to put a middle school on the Dollar St. site. The site has been owned by the district since the mid 90's, site was the original place for Rosemont Ridge Middle School. This is the only site owned by the school district, within the urban growth boundary, and within the city limits, it is 21 acres. This property is very squeezed. Due to lease running out for Art/Tech High School, they would like to move all of the current Athey Creek middle schoolers out of current location (about 650 current students to increase to 850 students) and move them to new Dollar St. location with sport fields, stadium lighting, with additional off- site parking. They would then remodel current Athey Creek location to accommodate the Art/Tech High School (currently about 200 students to increase to 500, they know that there is not much of a demand for Art/Tech school, small waiting list, stigma attached to Art/Tech school), zoned for secondary and 40 + acres. The school district said that they have had a community meeting at Rosemont and that all of this has been on school district web site. They have spoken with the city manager many times. Kim Jordan (works for school district, lives in Willamette area) said that there is "no plan yet". There was much doubt of that in the audience. If so why is there no Plan B? The bond the district is asking for is \$88 million, to be voted on in the Nov. 19th election to fund the bond. This project failed once before (long ago) deemed unfit. The water system was brought

up, may not be adequate, water main was put in but may not be sufficient. Another issue brought up was traffic (now and when tolls are instituted on 205). Willamette Falls Drive is/will become immovable, and with the end of Dollar being cut off due to traffic (busses and cars to pick up) the residents of River Heights become hostages. The district is trying to figure out if the entrance should be off Dollar or Willamette Falls Drive. It depends on whom you speak to as to the answer you get. There is a huge safety issue, should there be a fire or medical emergency the first responders would not be able to get passed the school at certain times of day, and once baseball starts in Fields Bridge Park, and there are 2 rivers in close proximity (a few hundred feet to yards). Another issue brought forward was the 600 out of district students – are we (the taxpayers) building this for the out of district students? The answer was that WLWV is down to 440 out of district students (have not accepted any for couple of years). Time line- 1 year of design/permitting, 1 year of construction. This project doesn't make any sense for environment and wildlife. Check the district web site/ contact officials.

NAP (Neighborhood Assoc. Presidents) – back pack program through the WL Food Pantry (Home Plate). Emergency preparedness.

Blue Heron Lagoon- Mary – private entity approached WES to purchase then turn into Brownfield Land Bank to get federal funds for clean-up. (According to DEQ WES is supposed to pay for the clean- up.) Never been done before. Alarming toxicity of the lagoon/ponds. Lined with clay, perhaps leaching into ground and ground water.

Main St. – Shannon Leprechaun bus our cancelled for Sat., Wine tour four West Linn wineries with bus. June 6th Farmers Market 30+ vendors, kid's stuff, Main St. meeting 4th Friday 8:00 am at the Fire Station.

Signs – new lawn signs big hit. We would like to order 8 double sided signs for \$250. In addition to the single signs already used. Jeff made the motion to purchase the signs for \$250. , Mary seconded, passed unanimously.

West Linn Food Pantry – Big thank you for the \$1000. Donation

Julia adjourned the meeting at 8:35pm

Minutes submitted by Kathie Halicki, WNA secretary

WNA sign in sheet 3/13/2019

WNA
Member

Name	Address	Email	Phone#
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Kathie Halicki on file

Yes

Isaiah D. White May 20 on file

Yes

Mindy Lachner on file

E. Rocca on file

Julia Simpson " "

John Klatt

Diane Darr (GAS) 850 [REDACTED]

Ray Dancow " "

Ami [REDACTED]

E. STEINER

C. Elliott

Erin Richards

Bob & Reg Kuller

Tim Woodley

Mary
Bumgarner

Vicki & Jeff Hood

Fern Rebin

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Marisa Michael
 Carol Woodfin
 Kim Jordan
 Brad Hultquist
 Gail Holmes
 Tim Sheelin
 Margaret T.
 Don in Seabe
 Scott Peterson
 Tim Steinkamp
 Annette Mobley
 Ron & Jan Mobley

