## 5/8/19 Willamette Neighborhood Draft Minutes

Julia brought the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Debbie made the motion to accept the minutes, Steiner 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously

Treasurer's report - Elizabeth= WNA has \$2970.24 in our account.

TVFR = tomorrow will be the 1<sup>st</sup> Red Flag day. Have already had several fires. Please be careful playing in the river (still very cold and lots of debris). Fire levy option- to be renewed. New Fire Chief starts 7/1 with all new command. Brush fire season, drier west of Cascades than east.

Jordan Ferris- candidate for position 4 West Linn-Wilsonville School District. She is a nurse. Big supporter of mental health. School councilor's caseloads are 7 times the national average. The disruptive child issue needs to addressed and figure out why. School district budget will be \$3.25 million shortfall. She would like to preserve every instructor and add to it. Do more around community engagement. Everybody who had a stake should have been invited to Bond Summit. She feels that you should be able to make public comments via email. You should be able to watch board meetings on TV. School district should move meetings around to different places to engage more people. Board Survey about these (250) bond issues. WLHS parking (somebody is going to die). Cannot go forward with WLHS stadium/parking issue, ranked 7th out of 7 of all the projects. Levies pay for people, bonds pay for buildings. We need to stop the bonds and start using levies.

Sergeant Jake Howell WLPD- patrols Willamette a ton. WLPD changing from Dodge Chargers to Ford Explorers, better gas mileage. Policy with homeless, move them on.

Post Office – some feel that the post office or the city (city has no funds to pay for this), should own their own property. Keep calling Congressman Shrader's office. Keep the pressure on. Gramor would like to move the Post Office to Garden St. (keeping it in Central Village). Perhaps "emanate domain" needs to be used.

ODOT Sound Walls- Willamette Neighborhood is the only NA to "get" the sound wall. Both A and B were "vote in" with only 21 votes cast. Wall be only had 7 votes cast.

Budget Committee – City Manager wants to eliminate NA stipends, annual post cards, but budgeted for staff attorney. The Budget Committee upheld keeping the stipends and reducing the dollar amount allocated for the post cards. The committee also reduced the amount of funding for legal services and did not fund the staff attorney position. They also have not filled positions of staff that have left. The upcoming biennium will not have a deficit. This was a long hard job.

Main St. – Brad = Historic Wine tour next weekend, with wine tasting. Willamette Market will begin the first Wed. in June with 50 vendors. There will be no need for money for planting beds. Discussion was held about underground electrical. Shannon informed us that only the upper power lines (to the businesses) will not be buried, but that there will be underground electrical for the street lights and holiday lighting. (Not what Lance told WNA month before). Mary let us know that construction on Main St. will not start until winter of 2019/2020.

Willamette Falls Heritage Area (A River Connects Us, Historical Cemeteries) = lecture by Charlotte Lehan at Clackamas Community College Wilsonville Training Center 29353 SW Town Center Loop East, on Thursday May 16<sup>th</sup> 2019 at 5:30.

Waterfront Project Open House = Thursday May 30<sup>th</sup> at Willamette Primary School at 7:00 p.m. and June 20 at 7:00 at the West Linn Adult Community Center. Learn about PGE's property on the West Linn waterfront, including its history, culture and characteristics. PGE will collect feedback from the community members to inform the broader WL Waterfront Redevelopment planning process.

Submitted by Kathie Halicki, WNA secretary

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