

Willamette Neighborhood Association Draft Meeting Minutes October 9, 2019

Kathie Halicki brought the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

WNA Board present: Kathie Halicki, Julia Simpson, Elizabeth Rocchia, Mary Baumgardner

The quorum was met.

Treasurer report: Elizabeth R. reported a balance of \$4,284.33

Approval of minutes from 9/11/19: Julia moved to approve, 2nd by Mary, approved w/ 2 abstentions

TVFR Lieutenant Todd Station 59 community update:

October is Fire Prevention month. So we are reminded to take some basic maintenance and prevention measures around our homes including but not limited to: checking & changing smoke detector batteries, maintain furnaces regularly every fall paying special attention to any wood burning stoves or fireplaces and chimney flues, keep objects away from baseboard heaters and be vigilant with cooking appliances and during meal cooking. Number of calls in Sept. 149: 100 were medical, a few were car accidents but the rest were home kitchen/cooking related. There were no structure fires.

WLPD Chief Kruger community update: Introduction of new Code Compliance officer, Cole Bateman. Chief Kruger gave a detailed report on the events of 9/16/19 which caused concern in the community. A failed drug bust resulted in a 24-hr plus manhunt including road closures, alerts to nearby homes and Willamette Primary to go to lockout status. Chief Kruger stated that no cost resulted from the manhunt which at various times included additional officers, K-9s and equipment from nearby cities. The fugitive was eventually apprehended. The Chief said that WLPD has made certain specific changes to their protocol as a result of this incident including: when and how best to notify the impacted area, the importance of accurate information being released and the safest way to conduct these types of operations in the future. He thanked the Willamette community for their patience and input, including criticism which he stated to value highly in his learning process of how best to serve West Linn. The importance of social media to help stay informed was emphasized. WLPD Facebook Friends will receive notifications and updates as well as those on Next Door WL. Only landlines work for reverse 911 alerts.

During Q and A the following concerns were raised by the meeting participants:

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| Q: Inappropriate sign placement | A: Call non-emergency code enforcement |
| Q: Parking near businesses | A: Call non-emergency code enforcement |
| Q: Anonymity for complainant | A: Discretion will be used to maintain neighbor relations |
| Q: Sport field lighting left on | A: The Code officer will contact the WLWVSD |

Finally, the Chief reported that there is currently an opening for a detective.

Budget discussion: to approve expenses reported at Sept. 11. Elizabeth moved to approve, Mary 2nd, unanimous approval.

Ballot Measure discussions:

School Bond Measure – 3-554

- Mike Taylor spoke in opposition
- John McCabe spoke in opposition

City of WL Measure 3-552

- Mike Selvaggio, Beth Smolens & Brenda Perry presented in opposition
- Councilor Rich Sakelik to provide history and information in support

Remainder of agenda items tabled until next month due to time constraints.

Announcements:

10/12 Saturday, National Community Clean-up event

10/13 Wednesday, Willamette Neighborhood Association 7pm

10/19 Saturday, Multi-City Equity Summit, 2501 Country Club Road, Lake Oswego, 8am – 4pm

10/26 Saturday, Drug take-back at WLPD, drop off any medications 10am – 2pm

10/29 Tuesday, West Linn Post Office town hall, WL Adult Community Center 6pm

- Shannen Knight announced that the new Main Street manager hiring is nearly complete

10/31 Thursday, Willamette Falls main street Trick or Treat, 3:30-6pm

11/20 Wednesday, Traffic Safety Committee, crosswalks and signage discussion, 1pm

Submitted by Mary Baumgardner

WNA Sign-in Sheet: 10/9/19

Brenda Perry

J. Sojak

Jason Conn

Rich Sakelik

Lacey Sortman

Robert F. Bayly

Steiner

Beth Smolens

Shannen Knight

Dana Clarke

Mary Baumgardner

Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue

West Linn Police Department

Michael Selvaggio

John McCabe

Teri Cummings

Jeff Gilbert

Keisha Brewster

Jo

Kathie Halicki

Julia Simpson

E. Rocchia