

WNA President Kathie Halicki called the meeting to order at 7pm.
The minutes as posted on the WL website were approved.
The balance in the treasury is: \$3,425.52

Main Street: Rebecca reported the current and future activities for Historic Willamette.

May 5...Cinco de Mayo with scavenger hunt for children

May 25...Summer Street Market opens with perhaps 75 vendors...4 to 8

June 23 ...possible Wine Walk

July 15... Old Time Fair and Parade

August 20 ...Street Dance

Signage for Willamette Park and the meteorite will be dedicated soon

Rebecca will attend a National Main Street Conference in Virginia this month

Food Pantry: Current needs are dry cereal and canned fruit

Notes: PGE is installing LED lighting in Willamette light standards
Post holes noticed in Fields Bridge Park are for story board installations

Public Works Updates: Lance Calvert presented details for three upcoming projects.

‘Safe Routes to School’ has been part of the bond issue. Detailed maps are found on the WL Bond Project website with highlighted preferred routes and the order of priority.

‘10th Street Project’ includes a small roundabout at 10th and WF Drive. 4” to 6” raised splinter islands, a raised central circle, bike paths, sidewalks and crosswalks are all part of the improvements. Lighting improvements and striping are included. The stretch from WF Drive to 8th Court will be the first phase begun in 2023 to be followed by paths up Salamo Road.

Lance answered several questions relating to bike and pedestrian convenience. He said a new hire will address outreach to the businesses and community explaining this construction process with flyers and signage.

‘Athey Creek Project’ with its roundabout was approved as a concept some time ago.

Detailed drawings are now available on the WL Bond Project website. Many changes to the topography are involved and these generated questions and comments:

1. the school district will pay for improvements on north side of WF Drive and WL will pay for those on the south side
2. the roundabout was never fully explained as to its impact on the bridge railings, access to the park, space for large trucks. or road width required
3. a retaining wall will replace the steep slope in the park and require moving existing park path.
4. Although the road appears to be 30’ wide with minimal shoulder, another 15’ on either side is needed to accommodate sidewalks and bike paths.

All of these points were of major concern to the neighborhood.

The heavy runoff that flooded the road and park in early March caused muddy overflow to enter the wetland and pond. Unexpected heavy rain and stump removal were the cause and resulted in the DEQ citing the City for negligence. The water catchment system proved inadequate.

Lance said the residents along the road will be consulted as improvements proceed east to 10th street.

round about center designs: The splinter islands will have raised 4” to 6” curbs and possibly have river rock or cobble surfaces.

The center 12’ circles can have pavers and a design which the WNA may comment on.

More specific details will be available as construction nears.

The WNA is concerned that WF Drive improvement construction will conflict with I-205 changes, school construction and increased normal traffic.

Lance promised more facts and design details in July

President’s comments:

Remember to vote asap.

In June representatives of the Willamette Garage will present plans.

We will possibly resume meeting in the police station in September.

The meeting adjourned at 9:07

Elizabeth Rocchia
Secretary