

Willamette NA October 12, 2022

via Zoom

The meeting was called to order by President, Kathie Halicki at 7:03.
Minutes as reported on the WNA website were approved.
34 people attended on Zoom.

Motion:

To pay \$149 fee for use of Zoom. MSP

To donate \$200 to Historic Willamette Street for Halloween treats. MSP

Candidate Forum:

Candidates for several offices graciously appeared to present their credentials. Each was given five minutes to present with time for questions.

Sherry Hall is currently Clackamas County Clerk with 20 years experience in elections, records, and licensing. She highlighted her accomplishments and skills.

Catherine McMullen is running for Clackamas County Clerk. She is a certified election supervisor and has run the Communications office for Multnomah County. She has academic and professional qualifications. She outlined goals she would expedite if elected.

Paul Savas is a Clackamas County Commissioner. He has experience in public office for many years. His goals are to make a highway toll equitable, to increase affordable housing, and to improve services for drug and alcohol abuse and mental health. Public safety and rising crime are other areas of his concern.

Libra Forde is running for Clackamas County Commissioner. She brings 25 years managing experience in social services. Her interests focus on housing for the homeless, climate controls, diversity in elected leadership, schools and protection of women's health choices.

Bill Relyea has been a West Linn City Councilor for four years and is seeking another term. He has been on the West Linn Planning Commission, served as Neighborhood Association President and initiated the Citizens Community Involvement board. He brings a professional background in engineering, public administration, electronics, and dispute

resolution. He is familiar with the codes and processes of city government.

Scott Erwin is running for West Linn City Council. He has lived in West Linn 10 years, served on the Historic review Board and Planning Commission. His academic background is in constitutional law and public administration. His focus if elected would be public transportation, street trees, and infrastructure such as sidewalks plus public participation.

Tanner Woody lives in the Bolton neighborhood and is running for West Linn City Council. If elected, he would encourage more tree planting, reorganize NA's to be more accommodating to busy young families, and encourage improvements to Hwy 205 and Hwy 43. Governmental transparency is another of his concerns.

Leo Groner is running for West Linn City Council. He has diverse experience in management, teaching, and software computer programming. If elected, his focus would be challenging ODOT's waterline replacement, working toward a carbon free environment, and utilizing his experience living all over the USA and abroad.

Food Pantry is serving a greater number of families and is in need of canned fruit, mayonnaise, and canned meats.

TIF..Tax Increment Financing was presented by John Williams, City Manager, and Greg Smith, representing Willamette. It is a plan to establish a district of potential development, freeze its current taxes for 20 years, and claim any increase in the tax revenue for specified infrastructure projects...like savings account. Ultimately monies would be available for parks, sewer lines, bike lanes, etc. Taxes would be gleaned from the portions of property tax that cover: City of West Linn, TVF&R and other agencies.

This is a work in progress. Please direct any ideas or questions to Greg Smith who speaks for Willamette. Since there is deadline for presentation to City Council for consideration, the WNA board plus anyone interested will meet to collect comments before the deadline of October 17.

Project examples: A SMART bus line for inter/intra city transit, protection of wetlands and river banks.

Main Street has been busy. Rebecca reported two new retail businesses. The Wine Walk was a big success with all tickets sold.

Halloween will provide treats for children.

November 26 will be small business Saturday with gift certificates and tree lighting.

December 10 will be Winter in Willamette with a parade, a fun run, and scavenger hunt.

Update

Eliza Preston is the new Deputy City Manager

Doug Erickson, City Library and Community Service Director will be overseeing city wide communications

WNA decided to stay with Zoom.

October 19 at 6pm is the Transportation Advisory Committee. They will welcome ideas and comments.

Clackamas Women's Shelter would like donations of gift cards by Dec 4th for its clients. They may be dropped off at 2206 Tannler drive.

Dylan Digby is the new Emergency Manager and welcomes ideas for access to services during emergencies

Meeting adjourned at 9:25

Elizabeth Rocchia, Secretary