

Willamette NA July 12, 2023

via Zoom

The meeting was called to order at 7pm by President, Kathie Halicki.  
The **minutes** of June 14 which appeared on the WL website were approved.  
The **treasury** balance is \$2,981.97 reflecting purchase of office supplies of \$254.55.

**Elections:** The following slate was presented and unanimously approved:

President: Kathie Halicki  
Vice President: Diana Cubbage  
Secretary: Elizabeth Rocchia  
Treasurer: Vicky Hood  
Zoom master: Jeff Hood

**Camping in WL:** A new law allows persons to sleep outside within city limits under certain conditions:

more than 300' from a school, daycare center or park  
more than 50' from the river  
more than 10' from the right of way.

Doug Erickson announced a meeting at the library of a task force to address time, place and manner of allowed camping in West Linn. Wording for a new code must be developed to accommodate the houseless. West Linn does not have the social services to assist the needs of these campers and the laws do not encourage sending persons to another city.

Currently the police assist Mr. Erickson as well as a behavior specialist shared with Oswego. Houseless may camp from 7pm to 7am. A map will be provided designating allowed areas. The goal is to provide assistance to mitigate difficulties these people experience and help them stabilize.

Mr. Erickson will come back to the WNA in the fall with updates.

**Food Pantry:** Debbie reported the continuing need for canned fruit, canned chicken, and garden produce. The LDS church has offered food from its storage. Toiletries and cleaning supplies are purchased by the Food Pantry but are accepted as well. Drop offs at the church are welcome noon to 3 on Thursdays. Patrons pick up boxes from 3 to 6.

**Main Street:** Rebecca reported a successful parade with many extra volunteers to assist 40 entries.

September: A Distillery Stroll is scheduled

If a NA wants space in the market, contact Cristiana at 503 420 3497

The fountain topper committee will reconvene soon.

**NAP:** Neighborhood presidents who wish to increase attendance at meetings can man a table at the 'Music in the Park' events.

**Fields Bridge Appeal:** Keri Oakes reported that the appeal had been denied by City Council but the omission of a parking lane on WF Drive had been accepted.

The restoration of appropriate trees in the protected areas has yet to be defined. A plan is underway. Removal of trees had been permitted by city staff without proper permit process. Discussion ensued on the topic of the path at the end of Dollar Street which leads under the bridge for access to the park. Also the opening of Brandon Place and its traffic impact on Dollar Street are ongoing concerns.

Councilor Mary Baumgardner suggested the WNA form a task force to evaluate the plans and insert itself into the process. Volunteers for a task force are:  
Diana Cabbage, Elizabeth Rocchia, John McCabe, Julia Simpson, Chuck O'Rourke.

**Meeting signage:** Meeting at the Adult Community Center will involve new wording on the WNA sandwich board signs. This will occur in September.

**By Laws:** Beau reported that the city would like by-laws format that would fit all NAs. Since each NA has its own meeting schedule, its own needs and its own manner of doing business, by laws will differ within each group.  
Members are urged to read by laws and review in August and adjust if necessary.

**Updates:** SONA has invited the WNA to an ice cream social in August in Tannler Woods park. Dates proposed are August 19 or 26 in the afternoon. Possibly 20 WNA members would attend.

The West Linn Newsletter describes 205 entrance ODOT closures in August.

The WNA should consider sending reminder postcards to Willamette residents in the fall. In addition a notice could be put up on boards in Willamette (Cider House poster board or Cooperstown board).

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm