

NORTH LANCASTER NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Wednesday February 3rd 2021 Blanchet Catholic School 4373 Market St. NE and online

**Chair Pfenning called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM
Introductions were made around the room
November's minutes were approved**

No Police Report

Councilor Report: Chris Hoy

- City announced a shipment of PPE (personal protective equipment) for non-profits partnering with Salem Chamber of Commerce
- The "Our Salem" project has updated information online, according to project manager Eunice Kim.
- Last summer's wildfires affected our watershed, but the city put new treatment procedures in place in 2018 to deal with the debris in the water after our issue with algae.
- Despite constant reports of the homeless encampment at I-5 and Market, ODOT refuses to move the camp.
- ODOT has agreed to make twice monthly garbage pickups at the camp.
- No port-o-potties will be placed at the camp.
- The board noted that 3 people had lost their lives at that intersection.
- Chris has asked State Senator Peter Courtney to address this issue when the Legislature meets.
- Organized camping at the Fairgrounds will soon begin.
- 100 beds will be available at this low-barrier shelter
- It will be staffed 24/7
- Another shelter will open at the former DMV location at Portland Rd. and Silverton Rd.
- City is trying to buy Yaquina Hall to house those homeless with mental health issues.

Here's a link to report highway issues:

<https://highway.odot.state.or.us/cf/comments/comments.cfm>

Committee Reports:

Parks:

- Shirlene is unsure of the pollinator garden in Brown Rd. The city was unable to plant because it was too wet. Once it's dried out sufficiently they will plant.
- She will also follow up the parks foundation regarding this year's grants that are typically awarded in late winter/early spring.

Roundtable discussion:

- 40 days of life protest planned at Planned Parenthood on Lancaster and Wolverine
- NOLA will be able to hold our meetings at Blanchet for the next 3 months.
- Street improvements are planned through Marion county for Hollywood Dr. from San Francisco to Silverton Rd. This is a county project. Here's the link:
<https://www.co.marion.or.us/PW/Engineering/Projects/Pages/hollywoodOpenHouse.aspx>
- Letter to the city about our grievances should be one topic at a time.
- Secretary Blake has volunteered to draft the letter.

Meeting adjourned at 7:19 PM