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NEN Neighborhood Association

Jan 2, 2018	6:30 pm	Location: First Church of the Nazarene
Type of meeting	Regular Monthly meeting (1st Tuesday month)	
Chair	Lynn Takata (LT)	
Secretary	Leslie Polson (LP)	
Actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Send the North Salem High School Theater an award for their plays 39 Steps and The Best Christmas Pageant. • Create a Tree Committee as a partnership between NESCA and NEN. • Restructure Englewood Forest Festival as a separate entity that is sponsored by NEN. • Approve NEN Civic Involvement goals for 2018 • Participate in Adapt a road Project. Clean Up Project committee coordinators 	
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Introductions & Minutes	<p>Introductions: Quorum: 12 Board Members: Leslie Polson, Nancy McDaniel, Alan Scott, Laura Buhl, Ruth Hudgens, JM. Schindele, Ken Betterton, Joan Lloyd, Ken Simila, Cindy Kimball, Lynn Takata, Laurel Begnoche.</p> <p>Guest Speaker: Rochelle Santiago</p> <p>Salem PD – Corporal Jeff Keniston # 279</p> <p>Neighbors: John Poole, Juliana Inman, Nick Cantonwine, Ron Sterba, Pete Dane, Imani Hall, Sarah Rohrs</p> <p>City Staff: Irma Dowd</p> <p>NESCA: Margo Wryn</p> <p>Excused Absences: Delana Beaton</p>	
City Liaison	Irma Dowd is the new Full time Neighborhood Resource Coordinator. She is bilingual and can translate materials. Riverfront Park Master Plan is up for comments. Previously worked for Public Works and has coordinated Public Works Day.	
Action	Minutes 12.5.2017 not posted website. Table approval until next Meeting 1.16.2018	
✓ Certificate Recommendations		
Action	<p>Leslie Polson: Motion - Send the North Salem High School Theater an award for their plays 39 Steps and The Best Christmas Pageant.</p> <p>Alan Scott (2)</p> <p>Pete Dane - amend to include the North Christmas Band Concert</p> <p>Motion Passed</p>	

✓ City Councilor Report –Cara Kaser(CK) – absent; Tom Andersen (TA) - absent	
Discussion	Councilor not present
✓ Police Report – Jeff Keniston & Ofc. Lawrence	
Discussion	<p>Jeff Keniston assigned for the year Contact jkeniston@cityofsalem.net</p> <p>Issues of Concern</p> <p>Q. Fireworks on New Year’s create a war zone on 20th and Madison A. SPD will respond if fireworks are illegal, the caller must know the person doing the fireworks and agree to be a witness.</p> <p>Q. Camping & littering mess under 12 St. Who owns the land? A. This area is patrolled by the downtown bicycle police. The priority is to respond to aggressive panhandling. Litter is generally handled by the community Response Section. The policy is to post a warning. Laura Buhl (LB) wants to organize a monthly clean up. Contact Officer Jantz several weeks before the planned clean up to post the illegal campsite signs. LB wanted to know if Salem had an ordinance that prohibited camping near a water way. Some wilderness areas have limitations to reduce pollution. Cpl. Keniston will look into it.</p> <p>Q. NEN has a traffic problem. People do not stop at cross walks, run signs and speeding? Experience on Marion St. near the ODOT building where the person made a prohibited turn. When reported to ODOT staff member said the sign were going to be removed. A. Cpl. Keniston will look into it.</p> <p>Q. Concern about Pedestrian safety at crosswalks and what are the signals that pedestrians must use to signal drivers of their intent to cross the street. Is a hand signal enough? What is the legal wording of intent? A. The pedestrian must signal intent but this is not enough to write a ticket that will hold up in court. Many pedestrians are at the cross walks for other reasons than crossing the street. Alan Scott Concern that the city does not have enough marked crosswalks. Told by city staff that they do not want to create a “false sense of security” Rochelle Santiago – Drivers will continue to drive even when the Flashing light crosswalk on Market is on. Her son now walks to the crossing at 17th and Market</p> <p>Q. Concern about people going into yard while working on reconstructing fence and stealing tools. A. Do not leave anything in yard. Theft will not go away.</p>

	<p>Alan Scott –when moved to neighborhood in 1973 had pants in pots which were stolen. Neighbor had azaleas stolen from yard after planting Peter Dane suggests using a Beware of Dog sign as a cheap deterrent.</p>
<p>✓ Ballot Measure 101 (Health Care) Rochelle Santiago, Oregon Health Plan, Yes on 101</p>	
Discussion	<p>Cindy Kimball – Ballot will be coming in the mail for Measure 101. Last summer the legislature passed an assessment on Hospitals and Health Insurance to create a \$ 100,000 pool to unlock \$ 3 billion of federal matching money for the Oregon Health Plan</p> <p>Rochelle Santiago: This assessment on health insurance and hospitals funds a stabilization to keep premiums low, You will be hearing radio shows speaking against this assessment. Most of people on the Oregon Health Plan are children and people with disabilities.</p> <p>Discussion: Anti-abortion scare tactics were used to collect signatures for this ballot even though its goal is for expanding Oregon Health Plan of which most users are children. Anti immigrant groups also collected signatures. Frustration that the US runs its health care system this way. Not done in Europe where no questions are asked. Sick people are treated.</p>
<p>✓ Neighborhood Concerns and Announcements</p>	
Discussion	<p>Neighborhood Clean Ups – Laura Buhl Contacted Safeway about using their trash containers for trash collected. Manger wants a tax ID number. Irma Dowd says will provide tax ID # to be used for this purpose.</p> <p>Best Pot on Chemeketa & 14th has issues with feces left outside and on the ground. The condition of this porta potty is unsanitary and unmaintained. – Ron Sherpa Laurel Begnoche – Porta Potty belongs to the owners of the house who are remodeling it. There were squatters in the yard. She will reach out to the owners and Ron Sherpa will call Best Pots. Irma Dowd will call code compliance.</p> <p>Alley West of 14th- 1300 Chemeketa. Vacant house with trees that hang out into the alley. Irma Dowd – Van Tran who works under Kevin Hottmann is the contact for this issue</p> <p>Streetlights – Ron Sherpa has been working with the streetlight vendors, PGE & city of Salem to get lights which do not blind people in the evening.</p> <p>Cutting of 14 mature Black Walnuts on 24th Stover New Year’s weekend- Leslie Polson</p>

	<p>Cindy Kimball talked to a previous city forester who said that the trees were diseased. No notice was put up. Margo Wryn was invited to talk about the tree issue. She says that she was notified in early September. That was 4 months ago. Sarah Rohrs asked whether they were all diseased.</p> <p>Jacqueline Schindele said that they were taken out at this time because the disease is dormant and there is less chance for it to spread because it is cold. They will not replant until the autumn because of the disease. Discussion on the future of the trees on D St., the fate of the black walnut stumps, the loss of tree canopy to the neighborhood and the development of the State Hospital land. Sarah discussed having an independent arborist look at trees before cutting. This experience has raised a lack of trust in the city's transparency. Nancy noted that she is the land use chair and any sales or plans must go through the land use chairs of NESCA and NEN. Nothing so far.</p> <p>Pruning of Maple Tree on Court Street – Juliana Inman. Using Elwood's to correctly prune a big leaf maple that was topped. Are keeping the tree.</p>
Action	<p>Leslie Polson – Create a Tree Committee as a partnership between NESCA and NEN.</p> <p>Cindy Kimball (2) NEN Goals # 6 – Increase tree canopy. Lynn Takata and Leslie Polson sponsors.</p> <p>Members Laura Buhl, Leslie Polson, Sarah Rohrs, Margo Wryn</p> <p>Motion Passed</p>
Liaison Reports	
Land Use, Parks, Budget, CERT, Traffic, North Salem High School	
Discussion	<p>Land Use - Nancy McDaniel Fence Issue at Jason Lee Cemetery – Withdrew their application from Historic Landmarks committee. They will remove the fence and reuse it in another application. City staff will work with Cemetery to work on historic fence restoration.</p> <p>Lynn Takata attended hearing on fence issue. Reported that city of Salem had a donor that would help with restoration .</p> <p>Publicity Update – Pete Dane. Still looking for requests, letter to the editor. NEN email is Salemmen@gmail.com.</p> <p>Next event for a public interest press release is the Jan 15 Englewood Park Jan 15 Removal of Invasive Species. Alan Scott would like a flyer to post on Nest Door and website.</p>
Old Business	
Discussion	<p>Englewood Forest Festival</p> <p>Risk management has approved the insurance so that Englewood Forest Festival can be a separate event. As long as NEN sponsors they can use the park.</p> <p>Laura Buhl liked the festival being a committee of NEN because gave it a neighborhood association feeling. Leslie Polson – discussion about</p>

	finances was tedious and wore people out. Lynn Takata reported that Pablo helped Jacqueline review books. Bookkeeper will available in Jan 2018. Too busy in Dec
Action	Cindy Kimball – Restructure Englewood Forest Festival as a separate entity that is sponsored by NEN. Laurel Begnoche (2) Motion Passed
Discussion	Adopt a Road – Cindy Kimball. Only choice in the NEN area is on 17 th from 17 th & Mission to Center. She has paperwork to submit and obligation is 4 times a year. This meets livability Goal # 9. Another choice is to do self directed areas. Benefit is that city provides vests, Bag clean up and supplies. Discussion: Joan Lloyd & Ruth Hudgens– do not need more signs. City Clean Up Program provides gloves and trash pickup. Englewood Methodist does the rest of 17 th St. From Center St. up to the fairgrounds. Laura Buhl and Cindy Kimball to work on neighborhood cleanup projects. .
Action	Cindy Kimball – Participate in Adapt a road Project. Clean Up Project committee coordinators – Laura Buhl & Cindy Kimball. Lynn Takata (2) Yes (5) No (3) Abstain (1) Motion Passed
	NEN goals for 2018 Change # 17 from Hold to sponsor. Goal # 3. Have Ron Sherpa give addresses of street light sources and contacts to Ken Simila to work on lighting for Market St.
Action	Alan Scott: Adopt 2018 NEN Civic Involvement Goals Ruth Hudgens(2) Motion Passed
Goal # 18 Increase relationships among people in the NEN neighborhoods – Imani Hall	
Discussion	Invite neighbors. Bring Food for potluck. Meeting 6:30 to 7:00 pm. Potluck to follow. Assess whether NEN wants to function as a group with active committees and meet less often. Ron Shepra and Irma Dowd encouraged participation with Coffee with the Mayor
Motion	Meeting adjourned 8:15