

General Meeting Minutes January 7th, 2021 Virtual Meeting

- 1. **Welcome/Introductions**: Chairperson Cameron McCredie opened the meeting. In attendance were Cameron, Josh Habre, Jesse Buss, Denyse McGriff, Denise Beasley, Wendy Marshall, Chris Zukin, Joseph Schaefer, Renee King, Brian Casady, Matthew Lowe, Damon Mabee, Jay Pearce, Todd Iselin, Carrie Crook, Nicholas Ray, Curt Reesor, Vicki Yates, George O'Hara, Ted Willard and Justin Young.
- 2. Report by Clackamas Fire Station 16 by Battalion Chief Ted Willard: The fire district completed an after-action review of the wildfires in September. There will be recommendations coming. The fire district has deployed 5 new firefighters who have graduated the academy. The community rooms in fire stations are still not available to the public due to Covid-19 restrictions. The department is working with public health to get the Moderna Covid-19 vaccines rolled out to the firefighters next week. Working with public health to assist in getting vaccines out to the general public. Fred Charleton is retiring in June after 9 years as Chief. There are 6 candidates to replace him. There are 3 firefighters with one who is a paramedic on staff at Station 15 (which is in the McLoughlin Neighborhood). This is a busy engine company and is a training facility so that there are always highly trained firefighters on staff. Follow up on the Blue Heron fire: the building has been destroyed by arson fire and a suspect is in custody. The city has deemed it a dangerous building which initiates a timeline for the building to be demolished by the owners of the property.
- 3. **Report from the OC Police Department by Sgt. Justin Young:** Homeless Camp cleanups have been given the green light to move forward. There have been two new hires- one from Portland Police Bureau and one from Gresham Police. OCPD is happy to welcome these new officers who have experience and training as they are lateral positions who are already certified by the State of Oregon. One of the officers is the first full time person of color in OCPD. Two missions reported on: 5th and Washington mission to catch vehicles who run the four way stop signs. 5th and Madison mission to catch speeders coming down the hill. OCPD has hired a new mental health specialist named Valentina Muggia because the department is large enough to have someone working full time in this newly created position. She goes on calls or is available for site visits and follow ups to help those in need rather than officers issue citations.

4. Treasurer's Report:

a. Checking Account: \$3,795.36b. Savings Account: \$3,505.54

- c. Expenses: \$500 for partial payment to sign topper design (the check has not cleared yet although it was written some time ago).
- 5. Citizen Involvement Committee Report by Denise Beasley: The CIC is a compilation of people from various neighborhood associations. Public works reported on the water master plan that will be presented on January 20th at the City Commission Meeting. Molalla Streetscape will be completed by November of 2021. The Meyers Road extension is open. Fir Street Public Works building is set to open by September 2021. A letter is being sent to inactive neighborhood associations encouraging them to reconvene and be present at the CIC.

6. New Business:

- a. 920 John Adams modification: Chris Zukin GM at JR Zukin Corp representing a group in the real estate business. They buy and hold real estate doing upgrades and are interested in improving the property- Eden West Apartments- at 920 John Adams. They have replaced the windows, repainted the buildings and are in the process of refurbishing units as they come available to do so. The goal is to bring the building up to safety standards, up to code, to replace the patios that have cracking concrete and to convert the existing laundry room into a fully (ADA) accessible living space (although there is no plan to make it ADA exclusively). There will still be laundry facility on site. This project has become more complicated than anticipated due to zoning regulations. There is no plan to add some greenery or street trees however since due to the design of the property no option exists. They plan to donate a "fee in lieu" to Latourette Park- the closest park nearby. It was suggested that due to the scale of the building, that trees be planted on the property to make it more compatible within the conservation district and soften the building rather than the "fee in lieu".
- b. Election of 2021 Steering Committee by Cameron McCredie: Denyse McGriff, Jesse Buss, Denise Beasley, Carrie Crook, Curt Ressor and Wendy Marshall were on the slate presented as members of the Steering Committee. Damon moved to accept the slate as presented. Cameron seconded the motion. The decision was accepted unanimously. Denyse nominated Jesse Buss as Chair of the MNA for 2021, Cameron seconded. The vote passed unanimously. Jesse Buss is now the Chairperson of the MNA. Denyse moved that we nominate Cameron McCredie as Treasurer of the MNA, Vicki Yates seconded. The vote passed unanimously. Cameron McCredie is now the Treasurer of the MNA for 2021. Cameron nominated Denise Beasley as Secretary and Denyse McGriff seconded. The vote was unanimous. Denise Beasley is now the Secretary for 2021.
- c. Pedestrian & Bike Connectivity by Curt Ressor: Metro and ODOT have initiated a feasibility study with the goal to have plans in place by June 2021 to consider if a new pedestrian and bike only bridge would be built or convert the Arch Bridge to pedestrian and bike only. It appears as though Oregon City has no veto power and

they are simply asking opinions. This large project appears to be moving very quickly which is causing concern.

7. Old Business:

- a. Covid- 19 Volunteers Needed by Cameron McCredie: Reminder, if anyone needs help there are volunteers available to help.
- 8. **For the Good of the Order:** Denyse McGriff was sworn in for another four years last night and a rousing round of applause ensued. Carrie Crook was appointed to the historic review board as well. The blackberries on the water tower property on High St were trimmed back today.

After some lively discussion, the meeting was delightfully.....

9. Adjourned at 9:03 PM

Respectfully submitted, Josh Habre, Secretary