

Hector Campbell NDA meeting minutes

Jan. 10, 2024 at the Chapel Theater

Present: Corinn deTorres, Jessica Peterson, Roger Caulk, Sarah Smith, Bryan Shaw (Clackamas Fire), Ryan Burdock (Milwaukie Police), Samantha Swindler, Evan Yand, Sam Schneller

Via Zoom: Bill and Janice Jassmond

Corinn called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. and read the land acknowledgement before the welcome and introductions around the room.

CLACKAMAS FIRE

Bryan Shaw, along with three firefighters from the local station, gave an update on fire operations. Thanks to the passing of a fire levy, the district plans to hire 62 more firefighters and has already hired 28 across the service area. The district responded to 27,400 calls for service last year and collected 3,700 toys and 7,000 pounds of food during Operation Santa. Shaw also shared fire safety tips ahead of incoming winter weather.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Sam Schneller motioned and Corinn seconded approval of the September minutes. The November minutes were not yet available and will be sent out with the January minutes.

FINANCALS

Sam Schneller reported that we have approximately \$4,400 in our account, and we've spent about \$3,000 this year. The bulk of the remaining budget is earmarked for grants, including \$1,200 for improvements to the community garden beds and \$600 for projects at the Campbell School park.

MILWAUKIE POLICE

Ryan Burdick shared news from the police department: Officer Nashif will be a new motorcycle traffic cop. New hire, Officer Kwesean Akom, starts this week as a solo officer. There was a double fatal crash on Dec. 31 at the intersection of OR 224 and Freeman. A man died in custody after being picked up from Milwaukie Providence Hospital and transported to Unity Behavioral Medical Center. Operation Topsy Reindeer on Dec. 29 resulted in 13 citations, eight warnings and one DUII in Milwaukie, and 14 DUIIs across Clackamas County.

Burdick talked about preparations for the coming arctic storm, and said officers have coats, hats and food packs to hand out to unsheltered people.

Evan asked if there were any case updates to the robbery at Sunny Corner Market, but Burdick did not have any news to share.

CITY FINANCE

Michael Osborne with the city finance department presented the people's annual financial report, which can be viewed on the [city's website under finance](#).

COMMUNICATIONS/MARKETING

Evan is still working on creating meeting flyers and a social media campaign to tell more neighbors about the NDA. Corinn will send an email out soon about the new logo design (featuring Kevin the neighborhood peacock) and seeking feedback from neighbors through the rest of the month.

We discussed options for projects at the Campbell School park, including a smaller mural, painting children's games on the park blacktop, upgrading the community garden sign, or installing art along the chain-link fence around the garden. There was also interest in purchasing a second park bench to match the one we installed this summer, which cost \$275.

Corinn suggested we move forward with the garden sign first since Justin Kay offered to design it.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Since it has been so hot in August, we discussed moving this year's picnic to either June or September. There was interest in June, though that would be in this fiscal year, and we had budgeted \$1,700 for the event. There was general agreement to look into possible dates in June.

Jessica said the Public Safety Advisory Committee was working on the city's traffic safety plan. She asked for feedback on the traffic diversion that had been added to 42nd and Monroe; people in this meeting supported it, though there had been complaints about it on Facebook. People in the meeting were also supportive of the four-way stop that had been added to 40th and Monroe, and there was discussion about ways to add a four-way stop or even a roundabout at 40th and Harrison.

Sarah reported that registration is open to sign up for a plot at the community garden for the season. Rents have increased to \$35 for the smallest plots, \$45 for midsize and \$60 for the largest garden spaces. There is room for 28 families to claim a spot in the garden. A garden kick-off event is planned for 10 a.m. April 27 at the garden site at Campbell School.

Our next meeting will be at 6 p.m. March 13 at the Chapel Theater.

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

– *Minutes prepared by Samantha Swindler, NDA secretary*