

MINUTES

JWN Executive Board Meeting – December 8th, 2020

Board Members Present: Ted Coopman (Chair); Vanessa Wheeler (Vice Chair), Sue Cummings (Treasurer); Stephanie Coopman, Susan Connolly, Duncan Rhodes, Eric Dil

Absences: None Guests: Jason Wheeler

1. Meeting called to order

Chair called meeting at 6:35 to order. Agenda adjustments: None.

2. Brief reports from Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and NLC rep

Chair (Ted) - Action items in Minutes are either done or in progress. Make sure you send in final timesheets for 2020. / April election: Want you to think if you want to run for board again. We have to come with nominate committee. / Survey for 2021 is in preparation. / Some big news; I have accepted to take opportunity of buyout as offered by my university. I experience working for community as more rewarding than working for university. Vanessa: Congratulations!

Treasurer (Sue) - Sue reports following totals: OCCU Savings Account: \$ 800. Neighborhood Investment / Outreach Investment Funds: \$ 3,422.45 (after deducting \$ 143.55 for iContact Subscription). Petty cash: \$ 58.03. ENI Account: \$ 176.

Secretary (Eric) - Board approves Minutes of November 17th, 2020 Board meeting.

NLC (Ted) - Ted: Vanessa one thing we were talking about in NLC was use of app, I know you worked in city that worked with app “See Click Fix” (to report issues, like road hazards, streetlight outage, etc.) (<https://seeclixfix.com/>). / NLC voted to join COAD (Community Organisation Active in Disasters). That will put us as JWN in loop in disaster response. We as NLC are trying to get neighborhoods more baked in disaster response processes of city, given fact that we have unique way to reach and engage people. / Through a partnership with nonpartisan nonprofit Healthy Democracy, City of Eugene assembled panel of Eugene community members chosen via lottery process to give feedback on implementation of HB2001. There are couple of problems with that approach. Suggestion that like that you have representative sample of your community. Information that this representative group gets first needs to go through steering committee. They appear to set up a pre-baked situation, like they did in housing tools working group. Group invalidated Paul Conte. After presenting an automatic factual slideshow he was personally insulted by one person. If you open zoning than it needs to create affordable housing, HB2001 won't do that. / Belonging training: Who did it? Was it good value? Nothing novel. Ted & Eric: End was missing, and what are we going to do now? Stephanie: Historical information was fascinating. Relevant to get that difference in between equity and inclusion. Ted: It was specifically designed for staff of city. There are some good links given in background information. Duncan: It would be interesting to put those links on JWN website. Stephanie: Concerning diversity we should try to get more renters to GM, and possible more renters in board.

3. Brief committee reports

Neighborhood Matching Grant - Ted: Charnel Mulligan Park mural is slowly but surely getting up. We need pictures for winter newsletter. There are two ways to initiate NMG: Either Neighborhood association can initiate one or neighbors can come to board about it. Last time we discussed ideas of NMG for roofed bulletin board in Monroe Park and transformation of nomansland near Jefferson EWEB alley and Lane Event Centre. Stephanie: I saw very nice mural on building for kids near Westmoreland Park. Ted: Jefferson EWEB substation would be great place for mural. Susan suggest to publish article as tour along murals. Vanessa: I like idea of self guided tours.

Outreach - Stephanie: Deadline for Winter-newsletter is January 15, 2021. It would be very helpful if you would be willing to read draft version very carefully. I will send pdf of last two versions. Winter-newsletter came out right before start of pandemic, summer newsletter right before fires. Hope we have more luck this time! Ted suggests business profile for Cornucopia. We should give a major push to advisory boards and to better internet. Susan: Based on e-news article about Rest-stop two neighborboors donated money for Conestoga huts. I am willing to wright piece about Cornucopia.

Events – Ted: No events this year.

Advisory boards - Duncan: I still have issues to reach Renter Advisory Group. Ted: Will send you google group.

Friends of parks affiliates - Ted: Nothing going on with Friends of parks affiliates. State Parks can offer bathroom units. Vanessa: Want to thank everyone who was involved to bring light back in Monroe Park. Stephanie: There is finally new design for Lincoln School Park. Firm selected for construction next summer.

Committees - Ted: No news. Emergancy preparedness committee is only active one.

4. January - May GM's

Ted: Training *Protecting One Another: When to Engage Public Safety* appears to be valuable. We maybe could program it for February GM or perhaps as special meeting. Stephanie: Let us make HRNI pay for it! We had a good turnout last time when Whitebird organised it. Ted: Lots of people don't know what to call in case of safety issues. I will get more information about training (cost \$ 125). Sue: Maybe they could offer training to all neighborhood associations? Ted: Other ideas for GM's? Like to keep next January GM more open (using breakout rooms) and program training later.

5. Rest Stop process and updates

Ted: City is not great on communicating about it with us. I have a message out to Peter Chavannes and Regan Watjus. We thought about doing survey but given fact it is going to happen any how it doesn't seem right to suggest neighbors that there is still choice for a go or no go based on their response. We better should think about way to welcome new neighbors of rest-stop. Stephanie: I hope that it will go fast because there is lot of camping going on. As soon as rest-stop is in place there will be people around. Sue: Did

people saw Skinner Farm site (end of Washington Street). We should suggest people to go look at that. Ted: I got email of Permanent Supportive Housing, project is moving ahead.

6. Better Broad Band

Vanessa: Concerning Better Broad Band my partner Jason has dilemma: Company doesn't call him back and he needs better information. Jason: Fibre company is swamped with work. Guy that owns company seems very interested. Duncan: I live in appartment building would you like me to poll if people are interested? Ted: Better Broad Band appears great way to get young people interested; engagement of your renters. We better get owners of appartment buildings interested. Jason: Municipal interest is likely way to go. If we can get interest from city: 'Money talks'. Ted: If we can make equity argument. Eric: In this pandemic there is even stronger need for good internet. Sue: Community Block Grant? Stephanie: We may need make set up in meeting with Emily Semple. Ted: Combination of equity, economic and community development argument. Jason: Part of reluctance of company is legal; they have fight in court for every utility pole.

7. Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:00 pm

ACTIONS

- Send around Strategic Plan NLC as soon as it is finalised (action Ted)
- Send Ted example of app used by city (action Vanessa)
- Send pdf of last two Winter-newsletters to board members (action Stephanie)