JWN Executive Board Meeting – February 21, 2023

Board Members Present: Ted Coopman (Chair), Stephanie Coopman, Sue Cummings, Rene Kane

Absent (expected): Duncan Rhodes (Vice Chair), Joyce Graves

Guests: Peter Borden, Penny Melquist, Jacob Trewe

- 1. **Meeting called to order at 6:30**. Agenda adjustments: none
- 2. **Comments**: Jacob Trewe is preparing for JWN hybrid meeting for March. First National Methodist Church has a projector that Jacob has used for other meetings. Ted will ask church to allow us to use their projector. Jacob needs 30 minutes of set-up time. If there are any presentations, please email them to Jacob prior to the meeting. Ted will ask presenters if they have any slides. Thank you to Jacob for providing this service.

3. Chair Reports:

- a. <u>Chair (Ted):</u> Homes for Good ask for a letter stating the JWN neighborhood supports the Naval Reserve Site project. So far, JWN has raised over \$6,000 for the Food for Lane County!
- b. Treasurer (Sue):
 - i. No report
- c. Secretary Report (Joyce):
 - i. January minutes updated. Stephanie moved to approve the corrected minutes. Rene second. Minutes approved. Joyce to submit corrected January meeting minutes in PDF format to Ted.
- d. NLC Report Chair (Rene):
 - i. NORP revision is on hold. The Committee has not yet received the raw neighborhood survey data, and therefore have not had another meeting.
 - ii. Neighborhood outreach is budgeted for about \$1.87 per residential address. Around \$130,000 in whole. Some neighborhoods don't use the money, some use all the money and some augment with newsletter advertising, which is allowed by the city. The city draft budget will come out in March; we will know the exact amount of outreach money when the budget is complete.
 - iii. NLC meets a week from today. Primary agenda item: Reports from neighborhood association's Social Justice or Equity Committees that respond to hate or bias instances or how they promote racial equity. There have been several neighborhoods with reported anti-sematic activities that is under investigation. Human Rights commission has been invited to the next NLC committee meeting.
 - iv. Due to the hiring freeze, the neighborhood liaison position has not been filled.

4. Brief committee reports:

- a. Neighborhood Matching Grant: No new information.
- b. <u>Outreach:</u> MailChimp changed their terms of service for the free account. If we want to continue with MailChimp, it is \$14.00 month for the basic plan, starting in April. We will have

to budget this amount. We shall consider neighborhood businesses to underwrite our newsletter or allow advertising in the newsletter.

- c. Events: No upcoming events.
- d. <u>Advisory Boards</u>: No news from the Rental Advisory Board, Non-Profit Advisory Board or Business Advisory Board.
- e. <u>Friends of the Parks affiliates</u>: <u>Monroe Park</u>: A volunteer group is planting Oregon grape at the corner of West Broadway and Adams. Bathroom planned completion March 1, 2023. A wrapping mural is being considered. <u>Charnel-Mulligan Park</u>: Supply issues with the replacement trees. Trees will be planted Fall 2023. <u>Jefferson Dog Off-leash Park</u>: There are few park volunteers and a lack of funds. Groups associated with this area: City, County, Public Works, Lane Events Center, Amazon Creek Authority, and EWEB. There is no group activated to maintain the park. Sue will talk with the work group to come up with a plan to move forward. Jefferson Dog Off-Leash Area has a Facebook page and a JWN link.

5. <u>Historic District Task Force</u> (Stephanie):

a. Rene and Stephanie attended the most recent meeting. Emeralds provided a \$1500 matching grant. We have collected over \$3,000. Neighborhood update is planned at the May general JWN meeting. The task force is looking for a consultant to help us decide if the Historic District is reasonable to pursue. If it is decided to move forward the consultant would help develop a plan, and neighborhood education.

6. Prior general meeting review

a. February meeting: Emily Proudfoot's Park presentation was excellent and well received. The discussion session with Paul Boudin was thought provoking and promoted group discussion on what it means to be a kind neighborhood.

7. General Meetings for 2023

- **a.** March in-person: Brad Bills with Hosea Youth Services program; Homes for Good Naval Reserve Site.
- **b.** April: Board elections; Ward 1 Councilor update with Emily Semple, in addition, Randy Groves and Lindsey Leach. Far West Neighborhood Board is invited to the meeting.
- **c.** May: EWEB Director Lawson on updates and community initiatives. Center for Dialog and Resolution Restorative Justice Program reached out to us and will present. Historic District Task Force update.

8. Nomination Committee:

a. Dave Hurst and Tom Happy have volunteered. One board member needed: Joyce Graves will be the board member on the Nomination Committee. Rene volunteered to talk to anyone interested in joining the board. All current board members should be available to talk to people considering being a board member.

9. Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:00 pm

ACTIONS:

- Ted will ask First National Methodist Church for projector.
- Ted will ask March presenters for slides in advance to email to Jacob for the hybrid meeting.
- Joyce to update January Board minutes and convert to PDF and submit to Ted.
- Sue to talk with Jefferson Dog Off-Leash Park volunteer group for future plans