

## MINUTES

JWN Executive Board Meeting – January 19th, 2021

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

Absences: None      Guests: None

### 1. Meeting called to order

Chair called meeting at 6:32 to order. Agenda adjustments: None.

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

Chair (Ted) - Contacted by Sarai Johnson liaison of the county. They want to place two micro sites on grounds of Lane Event Centre. I contacted Lane Event Centre they said that they want to go for it as long as there is a good neighbours involvement process. The idea is to place them at backside of grounds. Sue: What is status from little metal houses that are currently standing in grounds of Lane Event Centre. Ted: They use grounds as assembly area for conestoga huts that they cannot construct on their future sites. Unlike conventional Conestoga huts these appear to have power. / They are still allowing people to camp at Westmoreland Park. We prefer clean break between illegal and legal camping. Stephanie: Someone dumped pallets there. Some of tents are now placed on those pallets. Ted: My assumptions is that there is no strategy. If you have plan why not share it. Duncan: They seems to allow less on Friendly side. / They are starting construction on Permanent supportive housing (Homes for good housing). There was issue that trucks went through residential street. / JWN website. I added pages on Public Safety and Tips for Urban Living Series. / For April board election we need Nominating Committee with one board member and two external members. Let me know if you again want to run for board membership. I would like everyone to stay! / For interaction with city chair is run point! So please check with before you as boardmember reach out to city or others. / Duncan brought in idea of installation of sharp containers in Monroe Park restrooms. We are making good progress on that. And City is willing to pay for mural in Monroe Park restrooms!

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

Secretary (Eric) - Board approves Minutes of December 8th, 2020 Board meeting. Chair: Eric thank you for doing this!

NLC (Ted) - Ted: They are still looking for co-chair of NLC. Primary focus of last NLC meeting has been on process around HB2001. Idea that this is not creating affordable housing is finally sinking in. Question for NLC is now what can we do with HB2001 to prevent that you not just get massive gentrification. Duncan: How do we encourage construction of affordable housing complexes like I am living in? Ted: We definitively could create 5/6 stories affordable housing complexes along mayor traffic corridors like 6

and 7. Infill building will be never affordable. Sue: Is there reason why there has never been progress on creating that along 6 and 7th Avenue? Ted: HB2001 is boom for local builders. For multifamily housing builders need different expertise and more money. Eugene doesn't have those kind of builders. For existing low rise along 6 and 7 there is very little incentive to do something there. Duncan: Do you want me to talk with guy who built Amazon Corner Apartments? Ted: Why not? I am sure we could create something exemplary at Naval Reserve Site. We need to show that we trust neighbors. Take time to listen to them, and take their concerns serious.

### **3. Brief committee reports**

Neighborhood Matching Grant - Ted: So there is no need to use NMG for mural on Monroe Park restrooms. Jefferson Park / EWEB substation is still good option of NMG. Intend to bring together Tamara Crafts who realised NMG for dog park and Anya Dobrowoski who realised toolshed with NMG. I see those two together work very well on that. Owner of Jefferson Park / EWEB substation is open to idea. Gates should be going in within next thirty days. Sue: I am happy to help. I am willing to reach out to Tamara.

Outreach - Stephanie: I will soon send you pdf of draft Winter-newsletter. Please react soon! Ted: Thank you very much Stephanie, thank you all for contributions.

Events – Ted: Potentially there will be event for dedication of Mural in Charnel Mulligan Park. As soon as outdoor events are possible again we may rolling picnic in it.

Advisory boards - Ted: I will invite Vanessa and Duncan to sit together and brainstorm how to jump start those three advisory boards (Business, Non-profit, Renters). Duncan proposes door-hangers as method to reach out to renters to get them involved in advisory board. Ted: We could also use sticky-notes with messages on it. Susan: What is purpose of these advisory boards? To establish relation with those people? Ted: Idea to get people involved and get them mobilised on issues that others bring in. Duncan: Is there way to determine who is still active on those boards? Ted: I advise you to send them individual emails, and also tell them what you intend to do. We often recruit volunteers out of annual survey.

Friends of parks affiliates - Ted: Dates for Monroe Park clean up (March 21, April 18, May 23, June 13) are published. Want to get couple of people around Monroe Park involved in development of mural. New design for Lincoln School Park did came out. Sue, is Charnel Mulligan Park still adopted by church? Sue: Yes Cove Church (former New Hope Church) were doing park stewardship. I presume they still do. I myself am on committee that would bring lot of neighbors together. Susan: I live near to park and I am happy to do work in it. Sue and Susan agree to talk about it.

Committees - Ted: No news.

### **4. Prior general meeting review**

Ted: I loved breakout rooms. I will combine input from breakoutroomsessions with survey data. Vanessa: I liked breakout room concept. Could offer for future GM's

opportunity to socialise. Stephanie: I like fact that everyone got to talk. It is maybe something to have very GM, even if it is only 15 minutes. Eric: I liked it too but breakout room sessions need to be moderated, and when you give them such short time span group-size can't get much bigger. Vanessa: Did everyone receive notes I send about meeting structure? Now we have regular board meeting after GM. I wonder could we have board meeting before GM? Ted: Idea was that board acts on what comes out of GM. I could think of coordination, a one hour gameplay meeting week before GM. Our board / GM schedule isn't carved in stone. We could think about new concept. I think we won't have physical meeting until fall 2021.

#### **5. February and March General Meeting**

Ted: I send out request for White Bird Training for March GM. In February GM we should vote on resolutions concerning Naval Reserve Housing. We could think about using breakout room sessions to talk about supportive housing. I am thinking to bring in someone from Homes for Good Housing) who can answer questions. April GM will be focussed on board elections. Susan: What is that White Bird Training about? Ted: Training workshop about. When you encounter weirdness in neighbourhood. What to do? Who to call?

#### **6. Residential Parking Permit Rollout**

Ted: Vanessa and Susan can you email Travis that it is ready to go? Vanessa: I will reach out to Travis and cc Susan. Ted: Everyone will get postcard and change to vote. In case they don't vote they will receive a flyer. Once we launched it here then we can roll it put elsewhere.

#### **7. Naval Amory/Reserve Housing plan team**

Ted: Resolution puts on us to come up with plan. I have some ideas. Who wants to be involved and to what degree? This plan fits in larger plan to give neighborhood cover that we do our part. It could become quite significant project for our neighborhood.

#### **8. Revising and expanding JW Special Area zone and rules**

Ted: This is our other big project. We need to revise some elements of JW Special Area Zone. Most of work can be done upfront. We want to reach out and in the end make Special Area Zone rules standard for whole neighborhood (major undertaking). Question now is who wants to be involved. Maybe we can get some other members involved too. We are not going to exclude people who are from other fraction.

#### **9. OPEN**

Duncan: Do you have any guidance which building are renters? Ted: I would ask other renters. Or look at multifamily housing what is obviously rental. Susan: Urban Living article on website what is that about? Ted: It consist of series of tips for urban living. It was running series concerning questions like what do you do when you find a sharp in park, etc. Duncan brings in concerns about lack of clear policy of city concerning removing leaves from street. Ted: Thank you all again for you reserving time to do this.

#### **10. Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm**

## **ACTIONS**

- Send around Strategic Plan NLC as soon as it is finalised (action Ted)
- Let chair know if you again want to run for membership (action all)
- Talk with guy who built Amazon Corner Apartment about conditions for building affordable housing. (action Duncan)
- Reaching out to Tamara Craft to ask if she is willing to help with NMG for Jefferson Park/EWEB station (action Sue)
- Send invitation for brainstorm about jump start advisory boards to Vanessa and Duncan (action Ted)
- Talk about neighborhood involvement with Charnel Mulligan Park (action Sue & Susan)
- Reach out to Travis concerning RPP rollout and cc Susan. (action Vanessa)
- Inform Ted if you want to be involved with Naval Reserve Housing plan and to what degree. (action all)
- Inform Ted if you want to be involved with revising and expanding JW Special Area Zone. (action all)