

corrected DRAFT MINUTES

JWN Executive Board Meeting – April 20h, 2021

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

Absences: Susan Connolly    Guests: None

**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) - Today the City received Paul Conte's lawyer's letter concerning up-zoning of special area zone. / Alliance with Whiteaker Community and Friendly Area Neighbors. Ian Winbrock was elected as Chair of WCC. We are friends and this bodes well for cooperation between WCC and JWN. We have designs on creating an alternative forum for neighborhood cooperation due to issues with NLC. / City efforts to gut S-JW zone via ADU Bill Compliance LUBA Remand. Paul Conte and I reached out to Planning to suggest some adjustments to S-JW zone based on questions LUBA had about parking requirements. We need to do some adjustments, including eliminating new alley facing lots, since new state rules require all lots take scale of development that alleys cannot safely handle. We found that staff has taken upon themselves to change several major rules that severely undercut the S-JW. This seriously steps outside what Remand required. Paul has already tapped lawyer. I have attempted to avoid this through direct appeal to Alissa Hanson, Planning Director. / Eugene's new plan to create sanctioned camping sites. City has drafted new ordinance to create 300 new sanctioned tent camping and 200 new car camping spots at yet-to-be determined locations within six months. This is first step in creating sanctioned camping sites. The good news is that these spots are reserved for those who currently camping at Naval Reserve site and WJ Park (then open to others). I have created special e-news that I plan to send out if there are no objections to text. It is brief to neighbors. I want to submit comments on behalf of JWN Board in support, but with; Program needs to double every six months to cover all enumerated homeless. City need to clear areas and prohibit any new camping via "clear and hold" policy, as more sanctioned spaces become available, more space is restricted until all non-sanctioned camping is prohibited. Neighborhoods that supply most temporary managed shelter beds get restricted first. City needs to start enforcing vehicle camping ban on complaint driven basis. Idea is letter of board to city, text supported by board. Sue: Concerning text special e-news on homelessness, categories like 'travellers' won't you get comment on that? Board member express concerns that text is too long for e-news. Suggestion is done to publish kind of header on e-news and rest text on website.

Treasurer (Sue) - Sue reports following totals: OCCU Savings Account: \$ 795.21. Neighborhood Investment / Outreach Investment Funds: estimate \$ 2,714. Petty cash: \$ 58.03. ENI Account: \$ 176.00.

Secretary (Eric) - Minutes of March 16th, 2021 Board meeting will follow.

NLC (Ted) - As you know, NLC meeting did not go well as several people roundly attacked Paul Conte as an excuse not to vote for proposal on HB 2001 and affordability. Proposal was originally passed (8 to 6), but later someone challenged that according to Robert Rules, it did not constitute majority and therefore did not pass. Co-chairs sided with complaint and to avoid further drama and trauma proposal was withdrawn. I warned co-chairs about getting involved and they should instead have made the one who objected make their case to entire NLC. They did not and, as predicted, everyone is angry and faith at NLC has been seriously undercut. Organising via NLC may not be productive use of time. I have advised co-chairs that they need to *stick?* to their voting procedure straight as well as decide what a vote by NLC “means”, as that is unclear. What an avoidable mess. Proposal was submitted to Council. Any questions? There has since then been nothing going on as far as NLC. I am interested to create more lean form with allies like Whiteaker and Harlow (???), etc. Stephanie: Good to form a coalition so city knows that there are neighborhoods it has to deal with.

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

#### Neighborhood Matching Grant -

Outreach - Stephanie: Sue what is end of term for our outreach budget? Sue: End of June. Vanessa: City still wants to pay postage for parking communication. Ted: We still have substantial amount of money. Stephanie: Let’s publish a kind of newsletter: JWN on the move. Sue: We could send out a one site of newsletter. Ted: Let’s keep it upbeat: ‘Join us for Summer projects.’ Stephanie: What about like 4 page of newsletter. We could do more images, more like a 4 page flyer with as theme reconnecting with your neighbors.

Events – Ted: Pollinators Mural dedication at Charnel Mulligan Park offers us an opportunity for first event. Sue, did you at all talk with Stacey? Stephanie: We need to think about way to get people to show up. Ted: I am sure Stacey will bring people. Stephanie: What about our band? Sue: I will ask the Marching band.

Advisory boards - Ted: Duncan, anything going on with Renter Advisory Board? Duncan: I send out email but got zero response.

Friends of parks affiliates - Ted: Last Monroe Park work party 13 people joined. City brought extra mulch on Monday. Stephanie and I won’t be there for Monroe Park May clean-up. Dave and Joyce will do equipment drop off. Sue: Charnel Mulligan Park work party is scheduled for May 15, 9-12. Ted: I created list serve for Friends of Charnel Mulligan Park.

#### Committees -

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

Eric: Duncan as a total professional guided Q&A with 4J candidates. Ted: Wish we had bigger turnout.

## **5. May to August Projects**

Ted: I propose following projects; Street safety, sidewalks, and reverting W. 11th and W. 13th. to two-way. Sidewalk survey, gather stories of injuries on sidewalks, perhaps get infrastructure bill money for it. Friends of Trees cooperation / Street tree open spot survey. Good Neighbor agreements (permanent supportive housing at LEC, LEC Microsite, and Westmoreland Park Safe Spot. I had first meeting with people in Westmoreland Park rest-stop. Ones they got established we will organise event with them. I will come with template for Good Neighbor Agreements. Stephanie: Can we use agreement for MAT-clinic as template? Ted: Yes. Ted: Who wants to work on these projects? Duncan: Concerning sidewalk survey, can't we each do a street? Ted: Yes survey we likely can do ourselves. Stephanie: Summer would be good time for survey. I want to work on sidewalks in June. Ted: I can lead on Good Neighbor Agreements.

## **6. RPP Update**

Vanessa: I didn't have any correspondence with them. Travis is checking with legal what we can do with signatures. Ted: I get tons of emails begging to be part of it. Concerning procedure, someone can appeal. Ultimately there is city planner that makes final decision. I promote idea of no overnight parking around Park. Vanessa: Listing in on council meeting I was pleased to hear different perspectives on homelessness. Ted: Solutions are pretty manifest; they need to prevent camping on street. Because city didn't move people from Washington/Jefferson Park Whitebird and Police can reach them better.

## **7. Naval Reserve Site Implementation Plan/vote and recruitment**

Ted: Given debacle there I established relationships with all relevant parties. We have list serve set up with them. After vote at May meeting we can actually recruit members for implementation team. We need someone who wants to be board representative on Implementation team. A lot of hard front work is done given our efforts on homeless issue there. We are well positioned. / Duncan: What is going on with court-case? Ted: That concerns implementation of HB2001. LUBA sent back with comment on parking. Ted explains whole process. How proposal that was made by Paul was sent to city. Paul send lawyer letter to city and will take to state appeal court if necessary. Duncan: Did Paul found out by accident? Ted: No we saw draft. Planning seems to be very clueless about it, and already more ahead because they just want higher density. Ted gives to new board members background of JWN special area zone. Paul will be our Land-use consultant / advisor. I am sure that implementation of HB2001 will give a lot of more issues. We are not involved in Paul's legal action. First thing for us as neighborhood association about Land-use is public participation. Duncan: If Paul wants to sue them I will chip in. / Naval Reserve Site vote on draft implementation plan at May GM. Stephanie: People need to understand what they are voting for. Ted: Yes we need to give clear opening statement. Vanessa: I propose to use one-page slide with clear time-line / steps. Stephanie: I am willing to make first draft for that info-sheet. Terms are important, permanent supportive housing, given sometimes negative attitude towards low-income-housing. If we could show statistics. Ted: I intend to direct to some projects that are already out there; like on river road. Please built something there that is so much better then this empty space. Duncan: Ones we change refinement plan there can still happen nothing for decades. Ted: I am already priming the pump with Homes for Good Housing agency. But Duncan you are right funding can in the end be very challenging.

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

### **ACTIONS**

- 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)
- 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)
- Taking up with Sandy concerning cost postcards (action Sue)
- Make and send an updated candidate statement to Ted (action all)
- Check if people can use open GIS application for inventarisation concerning sideway safety and available spots for trees (action Duncan)
- Ask Marching band for Pollinator Mural Dedication (action Sue)
- Organise event with people Westmoreland Park rest-stop (action Ted)
- Make template for Good Neighbor Agreement (action Ted)
- Thinking about with project you want to work on. Inform Ted latest before May GM. (action all)
- Inform Ted if you want to be board representative on Naval Reserve Site Implementation team (action all)
- Making draft info sheet concerning Naval Reserve Site Implementation process (action Stephanie)