

SEN BOARD MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 9 2022

Call to order: 7pm at Hilyard Community Center and Zoom

Present: Dennis, Devon, John O., Christina, Ela, Jess, Emily, Rob

Absent: Lynne

Guests: Bethany Cartledge (Deputy Director of St. Vincent DePaul)

Kip Vandenoew, John Q.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL(THE ANNEX) CONSTRUCTION - Beth Cartledge

On Sept 23 construction will begin at the Annex on 4060 West Amazon.

Eight, two bedroom units will be build for families needing emergency housing.

Wrap around services will be provided for these families.They will have the same front entrance and hope to manage traffic by using buses. This will be for 90 day emergency shelter transitional housing. Currently there are 22 families.

JULY MINUTES

Minutes were approved unanimously

TREASURER REPORT - Christina

640 Dollars in the bank. City funds are available until end of Oct. -\$4554

\$100 dollars was paid to Jess to give to the winner of the photo contest.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE- Jess

The next Street Repair Bond will be the November ballot which would reauthorize a rate \$.63/\$1000 of assessed value of your house (this is the same rate as the last one). However, taxes will be raised because of increases in assessed value. The transportation committee questions the fact that the city did not ask for a slightly lower bond measure so people would not have to pay more money in taxes. Also the TC

is concerned about the list of paving projects. Some streets listed in the South Hills are in good condition while others in the Amazon and Tugman neighborhood are not listed and their street have been neglected for decades and are filled with potholes. Also many street on the list are reported in an incorrect ward. In addition, there is no list of the active transportation or tree planting projects promised as a result of the bond. For these reasons the Transportation Committee believes the bond has not been thought through enough and should not be passed. Matt Keating is in favor of it and is helping to write the voters' pamphlet paragraph in favor of it.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE - Christina

There are no updates There will be a meeting this Thursday August 11 at Hideaway Bakery 11-12am to talk about the website. A reminder from Jess to use our stationary and thank you cards.

LAND USE COMMITTEE - Dennis

On Aug. 3rd there will be a public hearing concerning a zone change on 31st Avenue.

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE - Rob

No update.

FRIENDS OF TUGMAN PARK - John O.

A question was asked of the city if monuments could be selected by the committee. The city said it is not up to the neighborhoods. In general the city is reluctant to put up monuments. Bi-weekly Wednesday volunteer work events continue on 7/13 and 7/27. We are focusing on weeding invasive plants(ivy, blackberry, and holly). Also we are watering recently planted native plants in the basketball court beds and the shelter area beds. Upcoming times to meet are Aug 10th and August 24th 10-12am.

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE - Devon

The committee has been concentrating on Amazon Creek restoration with a focus on tree planting. We are committed to two planting events in January and February of 2023. We are working closely with the city and roughly 200 trees are slated to be planted. We will begin public outreach to interest volunteers in September. We are also working on single hauler options and food waste composting and pick up options. Our next meeting is September 20th at Hideaway Bakery.

SEN ANNUAL PICNIC - Dennis

We need setup and cleanup, help with putting up 2 tents, finding specific spots for food trucks and volunteer tables. Devon will firm up food trucks. We will have a meeting Sept 13 at Tugman Park at 6:30 pm to discuss the picnic further.

MATT KEATING

Matt discussed the upcoming road bond issue, citywide fireworks ban, a new sister city, a police auditor issue, and his concerns about accountability.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:32.

