

Santa Clara Community Organization
Executive Board minutes
June 1, 2023
Messiah Lutheran Church and hybrid meeting

Those in attendance – total 20 (9 board members, 10 residents, 1 other)

<u>Board</u>		<u>Community members</u>		<u>others</u>	*hybrid attendees
Louie Vidmar	Patrick Kerr	Chris Fuller	Paul Shang*	Glenn Porter	
Jerry Mohr*	Dawn Lesley	Natalie Crowder	Laura Shang*		
Jerry Finigan	Terri Reed	John Crowder	Michelle*		
Tim Foelker*	Matt Vohs	Gary Wildish	John Q*		
Kate Perle		Lillian Shoupe	Mary Leontovich*		

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the Chair, Kate Perle. She called for self-introductions.

Kate introduced Glenn Porter, Project Director for the River Avenue Navigation Center. Glenn described the center: a 75-bed shelter serving as a shelter for the homeless and as a transition center to permanent housing. It opened last September and houses 177 people including 100 males and 70 females. 140 of the occupants have been diagnosed with mental issues, 120 have chronic health conditions and 48 have physical disabilities. The River Avenue Center is a low-barrier center admitting even those with drug addictions. The average income of occupants is between \$500 and \$1000 and 40% of them are over 55 years of age. The Center links occupants to medical coverage and social security benefits.

The presentation was followed with a question/answer session and concluded at 7:50 p.m.

Business meeting:

Dawn pointed out the April minutes omitted Commissioner Ceniga on the attendees list and that it misspelled her last name. Patrick moved the April minutes be approved with these corrections, Dawn seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Announcements:

- Terri reported on the transitional housing being established at St. Matthew's Episcopal Church. Information about this is going out and the Church is looking for members on their oversight committee.
- Terri described her progress in organizing a community picnic on August 6 at Awbrey Park.
- Jerry reminded about the upcoming huge Ryan Meadows neighborhood garage sale Saturday, June 3 (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.).

Updates/reports:

- Kate reported on the May 25th Neighborhood Plan forum at North Eugene High School. There were about 50 in attendance. There is still time to give feedback on the Plan using the Engage Eugene website.

- Patrick was asked for a report on the Neighborhood Leaders Council. He did not attend the most recent meeting but at the April meeting it was reported that there would be a reduction in neighborhood support by about 30%. Kate reported that Lane County has been requested to continue their support for unannexed residents in the Santa Clara-River Road neighborhoods.
- Tim reported on the Santa Clara Community Foundation. At the last Hileman Heroes work party about 11 people participated. Plans are underway for a July 22 garden party fundraiser. It will be held in his backyards from 4p.m. to about sunset. There will be a silent auction and door prizes.
- Terri reported that the combined River Road and Santa Clara Social Justice Committees made cookies and delivered them to the black student union at NEHS.
- Kate reported there will be a special meeting of the Board on Tuesday, June 27 in order to vote on the Neighborhood Plan. The July SCCO meeting will be a general meeting for a community vote.
- Recent Land Use applications. Kate reported:
 - a one-lot annexation on Hyacinth, just south of Travis
 - River Road right of way annexation from Wedgewood to Beacon and about 300 feet of Irvington Drive just west of River Road
 - 1.23 acre lot at the end of Quiet Lane annexation with a plan to create a clustered middle housing . 5 clusters of 4-8 units of less than 900 sq. ft.
 - St. Vincents Green Lane development to include 2 building each with 5 one-bedroom units and one community building.
 - A lot at corner of Scenic Drive and Spring Creek, subdivided into 3 lots.
 - 450 Hunsaker: one lot subdivided into 3 lots.

Other matters:

Jerry suggested that the proposal from the Bylaws Committee be considered at the June 27th Board meeting if there is time.

Members were reminded to report their volunteer hours to Jerry to be recorded.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Submitted,
Jerry Finigan, secretary