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St Johns Neighborhood Association
General Meeting
Monday July 13, 2020
zoom Meeting 7pm

Board Members Present: Colette Peck, Michael Stoltz, Becky Freeman, Mike Vial, John Lee, Bernadine Lee.

Call to Order and Ground Rules for Meeting - Mike Vial

- Please type your name in the chat, for the record of attendees
- If you wish to speak, please ask in the chat to be recognized.

Guest Speaker - Senator Lew Frederick

Items being brought forward to address Police Accountability

1. See something, say something and intervene if necessary or report if not possible to intervene.
2. Contracts will contain a discipline matrix that the arbitrator has to follow during arbitration
3. Database of police officers who have been disciplined accessible by general public and other police bureau
4. Use of force such as choke holds are now considered use of deadly force and not a restraint
5. Definition of a Riot and appropriate use of tear gas.
6. Committee will be looking at the transparency of the police bureau as well as use of force definitions

OLIS - Oregon Legislative Information System

Find out what is going on in Salem.

- Watch meetings, look at meeting materials

People of Color Caucus - 9 members at this time

Q&A

- Mike Vial - request Senator Frederick's share his experiences with Portland Police.
Q - How can we support you?
A - Share your concerns with your communities, spread the word, get in touch with people.
Q - Federal Police in Portland, how can we mitigate?
A - I would like those that are causing trouble to be held accountable for any actions, that includes the police.
Q - What are your thoughts on defunding the police and how to ensure the funds get to the mental health services that need them?
A - I do not use "defund the police". I believe we need to rethink what we want to see in public safety. We need a strong effort to understand what we need and where we need it. We need to reevaluate the complete legal system
Q - What is the best way to keep up to date on what's going on in Salem?
A - Do not rely on one source. I encourage following the Speaker of the House and Senator Michael Dembrow, OLIS website and different media sites such as OPB, Oregonian, and Portland Tribune.
Q - Do you feel the protests have been helpful and what outcomes have you been happy to see out of the? Should the city keep them going?

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A - I think the protests have been very helpful in making it clear that these are issues we need to address and that there are lots of people who are interested in it. I think the struggle we have had is sorting out the people who are there as agents provocateurs, doing it for the adrenaline rush or who wish to discredit the movement itself. I think they will create a reset in how we deal with a number of issues, including housing and healthcare.

NP Joint Statement on Homelessness - Introduction by Mike Vial

General Overview - current policy of Housing First isn't doing enough to address the issues that we are going through now. On one hand, there are a lot of people unsheltered and in need of services that they are not getting. On the other hand, neighbors and business owners are upset with the current state of affairs and are demanding something be done. Solution this group came up with is the establishment of sanctioned camps in every neighborhood. Neighborhoods would work with the Joint Office of Homeless Services establishing a sanctioned camp in their neighborhood. In return for this support the neighborhood would have a say in determining location of the camp and there will be additional enforcement on RV and street camping.

- Draft posted on Facebook, SJNA website or at
- The Board asks that all SJNA members read the Statement to prepare to vote in a future meeting to endorse or not.

General Community Discussion/Announcements

- Voting issues for meetings need to be resolved
- Shamus will be addressing the board meeting tomorrow evening in regard to the Roosevelt STEM/Maker Space shortage and 2020 bond funds

8:05 Meeting Adjourned