

Meeting Minutes  
Morningside Neighborhood Association  
Wednesday, January 11, 2012  
6:30 p.m.  
Pringle Creek Community Painters Hall  
3911 Village Center Drive SE

1. Call to Order and Introductions: Chair Pamela Schmidling called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Board members and guests introduced themselves.
2. Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the December meeting were approved as submitted.
3. Police Report: There are no major crimes in the Morningside neighborhood.

Everyone was reminded to keep their home safe and be good witnesses. Also, sticker bushes and a dog are excellent ways to keep prowlers away. Finally, everyone was encouraged to keep in communication with neighbors.

4. Salem Parks Foundations Grants--Lela Jackson, Salem Parks Foundation: Salem Parks Foundation is looking for people to serve on its board.

The foundation has money they can use for neighborhood park enhancements. If your park needs money for an enhancement, now is a good time to apply. The applicant only needs to submit a request explaining a bit about the park, why the park needs the grant, and what the money would be used for. The deadline is March 30.

5. Crime Prevention Programs and Services: Information was presented about the various programs this department offers. Highlights included.

Posts to Twitter about such things as Salem's Most Wanted and other information.

Security Survey, a program where volunteers look at your property to see if there are any security risks.

Bike registration, a program that allows you to register your bike with the Police Department, so if it got lost, it could be recovered.

Operation Identification, a program that encourages you to record serial numbers for important items and have them recovered.

Neighborhood Watch

Combat Auto Theft

6. Committee Reports

- a. Traffic: There was some discussion about the Hillficker extension. The church behind Trader Joe's is prompting this extension, but the board has always believed that Hillficker should not be a minor arterial.

The board feels that this extension is creating a sidewalk to nowhere, and is opposing the creation of an arterial between Commercial and Battle Creek through the Hillficker property. The board is also questioning why there is the need for a 72-foot right of way. As a result, the board moved to write an appeal to the City opposing this requirement. The motion was seconded and passed.

- b. Land Use: The church behind Trader Joe's will get their new extension. Morningside Neighborhood Association appeals Condition #2. MNA is entirely supportive of the approved church addition Site Plan. Please see the attached letter for details of the MNA Appeal of Condition #2.

There was an informational update on the Simpson Hill part of the Fairview property. The developers are now working on the refinement plan with the City.

- c. Parks: No report.
- d. Pringle Creek Watershed Council (PCWC): No report.
- e. South Salem Connect: No report.
- f. Airport: No report.
- g. Community Emergency Response Team (CERT): This team has been educating police officers, but otherwise, they have been in holiday mode.
- h. Morningside 360: Next meeting is January 18 at Painter's Hall.

7. City Councilor Report: No report.

8. Neighborhood Liaison Report: The City is preparing the budget for the next fiscal year, and is making presentations to the community.

9. Announcements: None.

10. Neighborhood Issues and Concerns: None.

11. Open Issues: None.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Hansen, secretary