

**Neighborhood Improvement Advisory Council - Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, March 10, 2021, 7:00 P.M.**

**Called to Order:** 7:05 p.m.

**Members Present:** Barbara Mank, Lori Hart, Barbara Mann, Dennis Maroney, Anne Sterling, Dennis Colbert, Flora Tonthat, Christin Hatch, Nina Cohen, Marlene Faust, Cindy Jerzylo

**Staff Present:** Dominick Pangallo (Office of Mayor Driscoll)

**Approval of February 10, 2021 minutes:** Approved

**Guest Speakers:** Mayor Kim Driscoll was joined by Acting Chief Dennis King and CIU commander Sergeant Jason Gross to talk about crime and public safety in Salem. Acting Chief King reviewed data and other details in a presentation he had given to the City Council the week prior on the same topic. Following his presentation, he took questions from NIAC members on:

- The proposed gun shop on Florence Street.
- Whether the PD had an anonymous tip line (it does: 978-619-5627).
- If PD could help arrange an identity theft seminar.
- How PD response to homeless persons.
- What neighborhood associations should know about door-to-door solicitors.
- The pedestrian crossing at North Street and Essex Street.
- Speeding on Derby Street.
- Illegal fireworks being fired off at Dead Horse Beach.

**Neighborhood update will be circulated by email to the members this week.**

**City Updates:**

- Stop the Spread COVID-19 testing has been extended to June 30<sup>th</sup>: <https://www.salem.com/home/news/stop-spread-free-covid-19-testing-extended-through-june-30th>
- E-Waste collection takes place March 27<sup>th</sup> 8am-noon. Note the location has been changed to the O'Keefe Center lot for this one event: <https://www.salem.com/home/news/salem%E2%80%99s-march-e-waste-collection-day>
- The next public meeting for the Municipal Harbor Plan Update takes place on March 24<sup>th</sup> at 6pm: <https://harborplan.salem.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/2021-3-24-Flyer.pdf>
- The Transfer Station is opening for the weekend of March 20-21 for yard waste drop-off. It will then open for the season on April 17<sup>th</sup>. <https://www.salem.com/home/news/yard-waste-drop-march-20th-and-march-21st-salem-transfer-station>
- Public comment is now being accepted on the draft Highland Avenue Corridor Study: <https://www.salem.com/home/news/request-comments-draft-highland-avenue-corridor-study>

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, March 10, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

**Adjourned:** 8:11 p.m.