

Salem State University Neighborhood Advisory Committee

December 6, 2017 – Minutes

Attendees: Ben Szalewicz, Councillor Josh Turiel, Councillor Steve Dibble, Captain Richard Riggs, Marlin Nabors

Absent: Marcia Lambert, Polly Wilbert, Chairman Dominick Pangallo, Adria Leach, Dana Lothrop, Jack Hoar

Guest:

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Approval of November 1, 2017 Minutes

- Approved
- Councillor Dibble requested final copies of minutes are emailed out to the committee.

3. Construction Updates

A. 287 Lafayette Street – Ben Szalewicz, SSU

- Ben advised that the screening has been installed and project is complete.

4. Old Business

A. Comprehensive parking study

- Councillor Dibble advised the Harrison Road parking issues have been resolved.
 - The new signs have been posted.
 - Neighbors are happy with the results.
- Survey has gone out via email.
- Councillor Turiel advised the city and university are working together on parking solutions for when the O’Keefe lot closes.
 - The work for the underground storage tank is scheduled to begin after graduation.
- Councillor Turiel shared that there are snow parking passes available through SSU on a first come, first serve basis.

B. Baseball field activities

- Councillor Dibble is waiting for confirmation from Adria that the new parking signs for the baseball field will go up right before the season starts.

C. Neighborhood disturbances

- Councillor Turiel advised there have been no new issues, however, there are on ongoing issues with the house on Wisteria.
 - The order to remove the third floor tenants has been ignored. They are being fined.
- Councillor Dibble asked that SSU send out another notice after winter break, reminding students to keep the noise level to a minimum when walking from Central Campus to South Campus.

5. New Business

- Ben shared President Keenan's inauguration will be held in January.
- Councillor Dibble requested that going forward we ask the neighbors in attendance at the meeting, if they have any neighborhood disturbances they would like to discuss.

Questions/Comments

- Student in room asked why there is no parking at the School of Social Work. Councillor Turiel advised that was by design and students should be parking in the O'Keefe lot. Student shared that she usually parks in the garage but it is a far walk. She also shared it seems that there seems to be less and less parking each year.
 - Ben agreed and advised that is the exact reason they are conducting the parking study.
- Councillor Dibble asked the student if they ever have trouble finding parking in the garage. The student advised yes, that its often full, requiring students to loop around until another student leaves.

6. Deferred Items (no current updates)

- a. Science building addition
- b. Canal Street drainage project
- c. Horace Mann Laboratory School relocation (Requested that Adria provide an update at the January meeting as to where the University is in the process of the relocation)

7. Adjourn

Next meeting: Wednesday, January 3, 7:00pm Enterprise Center

Follow Up/Action Items

- Weekend activities hosted at SSU for students – from Oct Meeting
- SSU to provide an update on their status of the Horace Mann/South Campus Relocation at December Meeting
- SSU to provide update on steps being taken to prevent students from reselling parking passes