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WENA BOARD MEETING MEETING MINUTES

21 January, 2026 @ 6:30PM (rescheduled)

Call to Order	Janet	6:30
Roll Call of the Board Bob Lundbom, Website and Newsletter; Claudette Naylor, Treasurer; Janet Unruh, Secretary; Robyn Elkay, member at large, and guest Krista Harrison.	Janet	2 min.
News about Kris. Janet and Krista gave an update.	Janet	25 min.
RECRUITMENT Claudette proposed that Janet serve interim chair. Bob approved and Robyn seconded. All approved. We also discussed bringing more people onto the board. People can be appointed. Robyn suggested an awareness campaign for the benefit of the neighborhood. She says people are moving in to WE. She would develop the campaign and put an article in the newsletter and use the Spring Cleanup as an example of what we do.		
One problem is that our residents are older and he things it's harder to engage younger people. Some are living in apartments and don't have hope of buying a house, and we're not reaching them. Robyn: we should look at a map. She can identify houses that were sold in the last two years. Claudette: We have three new ladies who will be distributing newsletters in Sandstone. Robyn: Let's have a meet and greet in the park in June or July. SPRING CLEANUP. Claudette: We should start work on the Spring Cleanup. This time, let's invite Moose Lodge members. Robyn – we could make a flyer and Steve et al could pass it out to members. Most of them are in our neighborhood.		
TO DO LIST: 1. Claudette will talk to Steve and ask for 5-16, second choice 5- 30.		

2. Also ask Steve about sharing the event with members.
3. Bob will put the announcement about the cleanup in the newsletter. Newsletter content due Feb 13.

(Last year, Spring Cleanup flyer was \$180.)

We have enough money to pay for the Waste Management containers.

Bob will talk to Greg about setting up the event by this weekend.

Claudette: all the dates in May are available (as of before Christmas). How about the 16th (first choice) or the 30th (second choice). Claudette will talk to Steve about which one works.

Bob: Newsletter content due Feb 13.

NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION MAPS

Claudette has some of the maps and Krista has some for the newsletter distribution. Tom Anderson could help tell us which, if any, maps are missing.

1. Claudette will copy maps she has and give them to Bob and Krista.
2. Bob and Krista will determine routes that don't have a delivery person.
3. Check with Tom and see if he has more routes.
4. Krista will work with Tom to divvy up the newsletters for deliverers.
5. Somebody needs to talk to deliverers and coordinate with them.

Robyn offered to start delivering.

We need to look into the grants. Robyn said she could help write the grant for WENA expenses. We need to find the due date. Bob says we can probably find the dates and particulars from past meeting minutes.

5-13-25, we got the grant from Metro for the Cleanup.

See bylaws, special circumstances. Krista offered to join the board as a member at large. We can also appoint her (or anyone) into a position on the board.

Next public meeting in November, we can have elections.

Secretary	Approval of 15 Oct. 2025 Board Meeting minutes (see attached). Bob moves to approve, Claudette seconded, all approved.	Janet	15 min.
Treasurer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hush printing paid for the newsletter and flyer printing. We need to approve the payment(s) retroactively. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$306 for Hush, paid 11-12-25. Janet moved to approve the payment, Claudette seconded. All approved. Change the address on the bank account to the new PO Box and order new checks. Done. Reimburse Kris for \$180 PO Box fee. Done. Eric to go to Wells Fargo on 181st and Stark to become an authorized signer on the WENA bank account. Robyn will follow up. Billy to go to the bank to remove his name from the account. Claudette will follow up. About Janet's Zoom account, she will send an invoice in Dec. 	Claudette	20 min.
Land Use Officer	No new reports.	Janet	0 min.
Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Robyn will provide us with some guidance about recruiting new board members. Janet will follow up. Carol Rulla will find out if we need to file WENA income with the IRS. It depends on whether we have 5013c nonprofit status (ours has lapsed). Question: Are we required to have a 5013c? Janet will follow up. WENA get-together – let's plan a lunch or something. 	All	8 min.
News outside of WENA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rockwood NA has a new co-president, Raine (the bee lady). 	Janet	0 min.
From the Coalition's November meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gresham 2035 Parks Plan: The draft plan is ready for public review. The final plan will be developed using information and suggestions from the public review period, followed by the adoption process through city council and then implementation early in 2026. See: https://www.greshamoregon.gov/services/parks-and-recreation/parks-master-plan/ 		

- Eric Schmidt, Gresham City Manager announced that he plans to retire on June 30, 2026.
- Commissioner Jones-Dixon let us know that the county had decided to not move forward with the Cook Plaza East County Homelessness Resource Center project. The money that had been slated for the project is being redistributed.
- Theresa Tschirky provided a quick update on the levy advisory committee actions. The committee will report to council on November 18th on the levy funds and the difference the levy has made for the city. Also, the levy funds audit is to be reviewed by the finance committee around next February.

Coalition meeting 1-13-26 at 7PM:

- 7:05 Summary of 2025 Legislature's Key Land Use Changes, *with Terra Wilcoxson, Comprehensive Planning Manager*
- 7:35 Gresham's Heat Action Plan, *with Denise Lopez, Climate Action Analyst*

Meeting adjourned

7:40

Next Board Meeting: Feb 09, 2026
via ZOOM