

## Rockwood Neighborhood Association Meeting

Monday, March 20, 2023

6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Rockwood Village Community Center, 783 SE 185<sup>th</sup> Ave., Gresham, OR 97233

At 6:08 p.m. the Meeting was called to order. There was no quorum so we proceeded to the speakers.

Deputy Police Chief Bill Smith spoke on the current police positions. We have 129 total Police Positions. Nine are on disability. Twelve are in training. There are twelve vacancies. We have 84 working Police Officers, seven on a shift. There is no Gang Enforcement Team, no NET Team, no Traffic Unit.

The Safety Levy will add 26 Police Positions, Student Resource Officers, NET Team, Traffic Unit, Mental Health Unit. Of the 26 Positions, 11 will be Police Officers, and the Other Positions are Community Safety Specialists, and a Crime Analyst who takes the data and helps focus the Police Patrols in the most called areas.

For questions about your Utility bill, call Ann Travers at the City of Gresham.

The Police are currently revamping the Citizen Volunteer in Police Program that patrols the parks, shopping centers, and clean the police cars, and the Police Cadets who are 18 to 21 years old who are interested in law enforcement, and the Cadet Advisors who are 21 and above who advise the Cadets.

The Police and Fire Dispatch System has staffing issues. There is a shortage for training for Dispatch workers and also Police Officers in Salem.

By the Oregon Legislature expired tags, no tags, and broken lights cannot be stopped for a single offense. There has to be another reason to stop a vehicle.

At 6:50 p.m. we had quorum, so we voted on the 11-14-2022 General Minutes. Janice Harderson made the motion and Anthony Crosman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

At 6:52 p.m. Brian Monberg and the Architect from HMS Development spoke on the Rockwood B188 Project., 187<sup>th</sup> and Burnside. Brian explained the background of the Project

Alex from UBA Architects described the three plans for the site. Two plans have 80 apartments, POIC School, community space, incubation space, and a gym for the school with community space in the evenings and weekends. One plan has 15 townhomes, three story with garages, POIC School, community space, incubation space, and small retail space.

Shannon Olive would like to reach out to the community and be available for Community Forums on the Project. Community Forums will take place over the next six months.

At 7:25 p.m. Guy Benn, the Transit Oriented Development Strategy Manager with Tri-met spoke on the Park and Ride Study of the 122<sup>nd</sup> and 182<sup>nd</sup> Ave. MAX Stops. It is a \$350,000 Federal Grant that starts July 1<sup>st</sup>. The Study will define the scope, access, and a feasibility study. They will work with the close apartment complexes. There have been break ins at the Gateway Center at 122<sup>nd</sup> and Burnside. Currently there are 60 units of temporary housing at the 122<sup>nd</sup> Park and Ride Lot.

There was an announcement for the Rockwood Flea Market at Downtown Rockwood from May to September the second Saturday of the month.

At 7:41 p.m. Michael Ray, Tri-met Planner, spoke on the Tri-met five-year expansion. Bus Line 87, 181<sup>st</sup> to the Airport, will run every 15 minutes. Bus Line 77, on Halsey, will run every 15 minutes to Amazon and Fed Ex.

March 22<sup>nd</sup> and April 19<sup>th</sup> are the Tri-met Board Hearings.

In September will be the changes to the bus lines. There will be a new bus line running 202<sup>nd</sup> around to 223<sup>rd</sup> and Sandy running every 20 minutes. There will be a new bus line running on 148<sup>th</sup> running every 20 minutes. There will be a new 19 bus line running down Glisan to Reynolds High School and Mt. Hood Community College to Beaverton TC. Bus 81 will run seven days a week down 257<sup>th</sup> to Troutdale every 20 minutes.

Training for bus drivers is 11 weeks, and for MAX drivers is 18 weeks.

The FX2 bus line was funded with federal funding. It has fewer stops and has its own bus lane at intersections with priority signaling. Tri-met is looking at turning the #72 bus line on 82<sup>nd</sup> or the #57 Tualatin Valley Highway bus into an express bus.

Website for Tri-met Expansion is [www.Trimet.org/forward](http://www.Trimet.org/forward).

There will be a new bus line 24 from Providence Park to Gresham Transit Center to Sandy running every 20 minutes.

Suggestion for June Meeting: Results of the Safety Levy.

Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.