

## Minutes

September 10, 2024

JWN General Meeting

"This meeting is intended to be a place for the respectful and civil exchange of ideas and information. We ask all in attendance to honor this ethic by keeping questions and comments civil, concise and without commentary of a personal nature. In practice, this means addressing the topic, not the presenter or the organization, and being courteous to our guests. This meeting is being recorded and will be posted online."

Draft Agenda (6:30-8:30)

6:30-6:45: Introductions, Announcements, Comments, New Business

- Introduce Board
- Welcome any new attendees
- Open floor for any Announcements or Comments (3 min max).
  - **Charlott: looking for Help uplifting Democracy (jerrymandering – Book banning etc...)**  
**looking for people interested ([upliftingdemocracy@outlook.com](mailto:upliftingdemocracy@outlook.com))**
  - **Sandra: Emergency Preparedness 9/26, 12pm Abelites cafe**
  - **Rene: City Wide Healthcare forum 9/26, 6:30 @ Willamette Christian ctr.**

6:45-7:00: Charter Amendment (read and ask for questions, comments, and input)

All neighborhood associations have charters that briefly lay out criteria for the scope and responsibilities of a neighborhood association. Charters must be approved by the Eugene City Council. The Office of Equity and Community Engagement (OECE), who oversees neighborhood associations and is a conduit for funding and support, mandated in spring 2024 that all neighborhood association charters must be amended to include an equity statement, which must be drafted and approved no later than October 2024. To meet the deadline, we are initiating the process as described in the JWN bylaws.

- Notification via mail to all JWN residents and businesses (completed).
- Public discussion of proposed changes (September General Meeting).
- Vote on the proposed changes (October General Meeting).

Based on a template provided by OECE, the JWN executive board has drafted the following equity statement for inclusion in our charter:

**Jefferson Westside Neighbors is committed to fostering an equitable and welcoming neighborhood in which all may freely live, participate, and thrive.**

- **A discussion followed with questions from the community.**

7:00-7:30: Dennis Reynolds of the City of Eugene Sustainability Commission. The Commission acts as a policy advisory body to the Council and City Manager in the initiation or development of programs that create or enhance sustainable practices within the community.

- **Questions were asked, addressed and Discussion**

7:30-8:00: Alex Reyna Waste Prevention Program Coordinator will discuss and answer questions on Eugene's new recycling program rolling out this fall.

- **Questions were asked, addressed and Discussion.**
- **Tell City Councilors that we need franchise for our hauling services.**

8:00: Adjourn