

SILVER KNOLLS COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION Annual Membership Meeting
September 20, 2022
Draft Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Rob Pierce. The meeting took place in the Community Room of the Silver Knolls Fire Station and online using the Zoom Conferencing software.
2. Roll Call and Verification of Quorum:
 - a. Board members present: President, Rob Pierce; Vice President Jan Bishop; Recording Secretary, Tami Rougeau; Treasurer, Matias Leiva; Corresponding Secretary Shelly Doyle, Membership Chairman Casey Meaden; Pam Becker, K Hirsch, Oliver Ryan, Diane Walizer
 - b. Members Absent:, Marci Burke Excused
3. Public Attendees: John Williams, Wendy Donoghue, Keith Dayton, Carly Ennis, Mike Ross, Alison Ross, Linda Zimmerman, Amy Zimmerman, Fay Allen, Jeff Alen, Dale Hildebrandt, Patrick Doyle
4. Approval of Minutes: August 16, 2022 monthly minutes
 - a. Matias Motions to approve, Shelly seconds; motion passes unanimously
5. Treasurer Report
 - a. Beginning Balance \$2029.39
 - b. Expenses:
 - i. Final Payment \$1000.00 to attorney has processed
 - ii. \$255.00 to Casey for reimbursement for PO Box
 - c. Income:
 - i. \$40 in deposits from membership dues and donations
6. Corresponding Secretary Report: Nothing to Report
7. Membership: 103 paid members
 - a. One open board position. Carly Ennis is interested in becoming a board member. Newly moved to the area from Spanish Springs and wants to be involved in the community. Has two children at home and is a retired school counselor.
8. New Business:
 - a. Fire Presentation – Kelli Nevills: NV Div. of Forestry, program to make the community as safe as possible by encouraging defensible space and keeping properties fire space with a goal of reducing fire risk and making the area easier for fire fighters to get in and take care of fire if they happen. Fire Wise Community program. Insurance companies recognize the program and may give reduced rates. NDF will do an assessment of the area looking at defensible space etc to make our community as safe as possible. Fire safe natural plants are available at the Washoe Valley location. Ready Set Go program sponsored by International Association of Fire Chiefs. How to get your property ready for fire and how to build an evacuation plan. See attached Flyers from the meeting. Interest in becoming a Fire Wise community need 2 people to be the neighborhood ambassadors, 2-2400 houses to participate, help facilitate the fire wise program, will do an initial evaluation then set up a plan. Chipping days,

annual awareness events that are tailored to our specific needs. Cost is based on number of houses and is done as an hour match. The rate is \$28.45/hour for the match which is approx. 700 hours per year. Divided up by participating houses. TMF can come out to do the initial score for the community. Discussion regarding owners who need additional help to clean up their property. Perhaps community clean up days so that the owners don't have to pay NDF to do the same thing. There are organizations out there that need these types of community projects. NDF will do the chipping and give it back to us for mulching. Good interest from those in attendance for participating in the program

- i. Casey makes a motion to become a Fire Wise Community; Tami Seconds; passes unanimously
 - b. Granite Hills Community Project being rescheduled to help a community member get their property cleaned up.
 - c. Spruce and Sparkle: Kicks off with the Green Waste Days. Community contest for clean up and then decorate. The board does the judging and there are awards. Several categories for most lights, kids, animation etc. Winners get an award and then their photos on the website. Clean up phase is October/November and Sparkle is November/December. We do judging is done between Christmas and New year's. Promoted the Fire Address Labels for the houses.
 - d. Flooding Updates: Jeanne Herman working on it
 - e. Air Race Update: discussion about the crash; tragic event, no fires started.
 - f. Website and Logo: 1 entrant with 2 choices. Still open until next meeting. Will be the launch of our new website. Hard to see on some phones. Needs to have new information put on there and populated. Advertisements have already committed, can always add more for advertising. Ads are \$250 for 6 months and \$500 for a year. Will be more information and activity on the website. There will be a local services page listing the various business available in the community.
 - g. EIN: Registrar Nevada will do the third party set up as the agent to help us get our EIN. Need to get three bids at least and that they have a good long track record.
 - h. Sign Update: Green Waste, Logo and Spruce and Sparkle.
 - i. Microphone: worked well once the speaker was in range and spoke up. \$49.99-\$11.00 discount + adapter cord \$9.99 = \$53.03. consensus was it works and will reimburse Casey for the total amount.
9. President and Board Items
 - a. Next Monthly Board Meeting-Third Tuesday 20 September 2022 at the Firehouse; Zoom option available
 - b. Agenda items due Monday Prior
 - c. CAB is second Tuesday of the month at Library
 - i. CAB – fiber lines being done out past Cold Springs by the county and after that our area will be done. Not sure when that will be or what carriers will be.

- d.
 - e. Lunch at Red Rock Pizza on Second Monday at 1100 – just social
10. Other Business
- a. Donate free dumps to Casey for Desert Pigs. Extra bags in May and November
 - b. Neighborhood Watch – Nothing
 - i. Catalytic converter program available through WCSO. Go online to their website and it registers your CC making it less desirable for thieves
 - c. Board member Comments
 - i. Casey clarifies that the PO Box expense was for a full year.
 - d. Attending guests are listed above
 - e. New Board Member Carly Ennis is voted onto the board
 - f. 4-H Fall Festival happening on September 25 at Rancho San Rafael
11. Public Comment
- a. Very bright light on Peavine. New light, bright orange.
 - b. Put in requests to county for fixing roads and ditches etc. Keep putting in requests so that we stay on the list for attention.
 - c.
12. Adjournment at 1945