

Gates Pass Area Neighborhood Association

Board Meeting on March 13, 2021, Zoom Meeting

The meeting started at 9:00 AM

1. Roll Call

Board members present: Denise Garland, President; Gary Kordosky, Vice President; Donna Snyder, Secretary; Sue King, Treasurer; Gary Bruins, Member; Tony Knight, Member. Absent: Dan Couch, Member. No guests were present.

2. Feliz Paseos Park Clean-Up Event on 2/20/21 Update: Tony Knight

Tony reported that there was a very good turnout as 15 people came to pick up trash and dog poop. Donna asked it would be possible to add trash receptacles on the far side of the park, for use by dog walkers. Tony to investigate.

3. County Boards and Commissions: Gary K

Gary K reported that there are no relevant issues for discussion regarding the boards that he follows: Planning and Zoning, Board of Supervisors, Board of Adjustment, and Department of Transportation.

4. Spring Roadside/Park Clean-Up (8AM) and Membership Meeting (10AM) on April 17, 2021

Roadside and Feliz Paseos Park Clean-Up: Denise reports that we have approval from Pima County to include the south end of Camino de Oeste to where the pavement ends, in our clean-up. After discussion it was decided that all volunteers should meet at the corner of Camino de Oeste and Trails End Road to sign-in, pick up a neon vest, get trash bags and hear the safety instructions given by facilitator Al Gilpatrick. Folks who want to do the 'south end' can carpool to that area to save time. Gary B would like to extend the effort to his area on the west side of Painted Hills Road. At present they have a loose group of neighbors that do pick up trash, but the goal would be to make this a more 'official' effort and do it on the same day as the GPANA pick-up. The end goal would be to expand into GPANA's Adopt-the-Road program. Gary B will facilitate the effort. This could help bring in members from that area to GPANA. Donna will take photos for use on the website and Facebook.

Membership Meeting: The Spring Membership Meeting will take place at 10AM via Zoom. Denise will facilitate the Zoom details. Kerry Baldwin, a GPANA member, will be our speaker. Mr. Baldwin is a certified wildlife biologist and co-project coordinator of the **Bobcats in Tucson Research Project**. This promises to be a fascinating talk and there will be time allotted for questions and answers. You can learn more about the project by going to the home page on our website. The board also discussed trying an incentive to boost attendance to the Zoom meeting. After some discussion it was decided to do a drawing, during the meeting, to give away 2 FREE GPANA memberships for the year 2022.

5. Website, Social Media, Google Contacts List, Useful Phone Numbers and Links –

Donna reported that she renewed the website hosting with Godaddy on 3/13/21 for one year. The cost is \$156.40. Updating the site is an ongoing effort and upcoming events will be added. Our Facebook group has 30 members and we'd love to see that grow. Sue will upload to the GPANA Google drive the updated membership list. Donna will sync with the GPANA email list. The Useful Phone Numbers and Links list on the website will be reviewed and updated as necessary by Donna.

6. Mediation services for GPANA members – As president of GPANA, Denise reported that she gets calls regarding disagreements between neighbors. While this is outside the realm of GPANA's mission, it could be helpful to steer conflicts to a mediation service. Doing some research, Denise found one agency that can help to handle these types of conflicts: Arizona Mediation Center, 1846 East Innovation Drive, Oro Valley. Contact Nicole Casaus (520) 200-8575. A mediation service can be a less expensive way (compared to hiring a lawyer) to resolve conflicts between neighbors. Mention GPANA for a special rate. Donna will add an information 'box' to the website.

7. Membership – Sue and Gary B reported the following:

117 total member households

10 previous members have not yet paid for 2021.

8. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report

March 13, 2021

Prepared by Suzanne King

Beginning Balance 1/10/2021 \$4,166.83

Income

Membership Renewal-Checks	\$240.00
Membership Renewal-PayPal	\$40.00
Donation	\$20.00
Total Income	\$300.00

Expenses

PayPal Fees	\$1.76
Gifts for outgoing officers	\$76.50
Total Expenses	\$78.26

Ending Balance 3/9/2021 \$4,388.57

Member Totals

Member households	117
Individual members	221
Email addresses	107
Phone Numbers	177

As of 3/10/2021 10 members have not renewed their 2021 membership dues, 107 members have renewed, 70 through PayPal, and 37 by check

9. Follow up with Lt Carpenter regarding extra patrols and speeding issues – After discussion it was determined that the weekend nights are the times when patrols should be increased to deter speeding. It was also discussed that perhaps GPANA could gift something as a thank you to the new mini sub-station, to be further discussed.

10. Roles for board members during 2021

- Tony Knight will facilitate the Feliz Paseos Park Clean-Ups.
- Al Gilpatrick will facilitate the Adopt-A-Road Clean-Ups.
- Gary Kordosky will facilitate speakers for the Spring and Fall Membership Meetings.
- Denise will house the historical documents library

- Dan Couch will keep the Neighborhood Issues Tracker (it lives on our Google drive).
- Donna will take photos at GPANA events.

11. Neighborhood Issues

- Enchanted Hills Wash: proposed high density housing development that infringes on Tucson Mountain Park, Gary K is following.
- 5171 Monte Carlo Drive (under 2 acres, no home on the property is now on the market) located in Mountain Gardens. Could it be incorporated into Tucson Mountain Park? Denise is following.
- GPANA was approached, through Donna, by David Rabb, a member of GPANA and a board member of the Friends of Saguaro National Park, to broadcast an appeal for funds. The purpose is to upgrade Saguaro National Park lighting so that the park will meet International Dark Sky requirements. As this aligns with our mission, a motion was made by Donna and seconded by Sue, to broadcast the appeal to our membership and to make a \$50 donation from GPANA to the Friends of Saguaro National Park. The motion passed.

12. Reminders

- April 17, 2021: GPANA Spring Roadside/Park Clean-Up (8:00 AM), Zoom General Membership Meeting (10:00 AM)
- Pay GPANA Income Tax and Renew PO Box
- May 1, 2021: File Annual Report with AZ Corporations Commission
- May 15, 2021: GPANA Board Meeting, 9:00 AM via Zoom

13. Adjourn – The meeting was adjourned at 10:27.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Snyder

Secretary