

## **Gates Pass Area Neighborhood Association**

Board Meeting on **November 6, 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.

Guests: Karen Sweeney

### **2. Old Business**

#### **A. Recruitment of Board Members: Denise**

Denise reached out to about twenty members. New member Ethan Henderson has agreed to run for a position on the board. New member Karen Sweeney is considering the request.

Election ballots should go out the by November 13<sup>th</sup>. Members will have 30 days to vote. We will again use the online app Election Buddy for the voting process. Donna will coordinate.

#### **B. Website and Social Media: Donna**

Our website will have to be rebuilt soon. It's on an older Godaddy platform and there are benefits to having the site upgraded to a new platform. This will take some time, and Donna is willing to do the work. The old site will remain active until the new one is ready to launch. Our Facebook group has 40 members. Member Colin Waite, director of Camp Cooper, and member Jerry Rowlette continue to contribute on a regular basis. We also continue to use the Nextdoor app for announcements like cleanup days and meetings.

#### **C. Membership numbers: Sue**

Sue reports that as of this date that we have 129 member households, 236 individual members.

#### **D. Membership Recruitment: Gary B and Denise**

Gary B continues to recruit verbally with neighbors in the Painted Hills Road area and Denise plans to chat up GPANA with her neighbors in Mountain Gardens in an effort to increase membership.

## E. Treasurer's Report: Sue

November is membership month. Emails regarding dues for 2022 will go out around 11/8/21. Members who have joined in the last 3 months of 2021 will not be asked to pay again for 2022. This will be made clear in the messaging.

### Treasurer's Report November 5, 2021 Prepared by Suzanne King

	10/21/21-11/5/21	1/10/21-11/2/21
<b>Beginning Balance</b>	\$3,183.56	\$4,166.83
<b>Income</b>		
Membership Renewal-Checks	\$60.00	\$460.00
Membership Renewal-PayPal	\$40.00	\$360.00
Donation		\$20.00
Total Income	<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>\$840.00</u>
<b>Expenses</b>		
PayPal Fees	\$3.57	\$19.46
Gifts to Board	\$102.00	\$178.50
Post Office Box		\$134.00
Website		\$156.40
Insurance		\$538.86
State Tax		\$50.00
Clean up Signs		\$216.62
Donation to Camp Cooper		\$500.00
Donation to IDA		\$35.00
Total Expenses	<u>\$105.57</u>	<u>\$1,828.84</u>
<b>Ending Balance 11/5/2021</b>	<u>\$3,177.99</u>	<u>\$3,177.99</u>

#### Member Totals

Member households	129
Individual members	236
Email addresses	187
Phone Numbers	189

For 2021 we have 129 members. 110 members renewed and we have 19 new members, 85 paid through PayPal, and 44 by check

## **F. County Boards and Commissions: Gary K**

- Gary K has been keeping tabs on the Pima County Boards and Commissions and at this point in time has nothing urgent to report. Gary will write up his procedure on how he keeps tabs on the boards and commissions to hand off to a current member of the board. Note, see below for information regarding TEP's variance request for power poles along Silverbell.

## **G. Updates on ongoing issues**

- County Lighting Ordinance: Denise — Modifications to the County Lighting Ordinance are not complete but are expected before December. Denise will monitor.
- Illegal Shooting in Gates Pass: Denise — The nighttime locking of the gates at the overlook and the pullout parking areas has helped to keep things quiet along Gates Pass Road.
- Mountain Gardens Neighborhood Issues: Denise reports that progress is being made on a couple of issues in this neighborhood.
- Los Lomas Property on Speedway becoming part of Tucson Mountain Park: Denise— The property is still in probate and there is no new news to date.
- I-11 Freeway through Avra Valley: Denise — this is an ongoing issue that GPANA is against due to all kinds of environmental and quality of life concerns. GPANA continues to monitor. The Coalition for Sonoran Desert Protection is an excellent resource for up-to-date information. [See link: https://www.sonorandesert.org/learning-more/interstate-11/](https://www.sonorandesert.org/learning-more/interstate-11/)
- TEP right-of-way damage and undergrounding utilities: Denise — The damage caused by Tucson Electric and Power along Speedway west of Painted Hills Church will be mitigated by the company. And there is another issue with TEP, the replacement of power poles along Silverbell between Goret Road to Camino del Cerro. This stretch of road is a designated scenic route, but TEP is seeking a variance to install poles rather than underground the lines. The board stands with Tucson Mountains Association in opposition to granting the variance to TEP. More information can be found here: [https://www.tucsonaz.gov/files/integrated-planning/DRB-21-18\\_C10-21-08\\_Silverbell\\_Rd\\_TEP\\_Poles\\_Application\\_9-24-21.pdf](https://www.tucsonaz.gov/files/integrated-planning/DRB-21-18_C10-21-08_Silverbell_Rd_TEP_Poles_Application_9-24-21.pdf)  
See link for Board of Adjustment Study Session on **November 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM**, that will be discussing the variance request: [https://www.tucsonaz.gov/files/pdsd/boards-committees-commissions/BoA/11-17-21/November\\_17\\_2021\\_agenda\\_revised\\_11.4.21.pdf](https://www.tucsonaz.gov/files/pdsd/boards-committees-commissions/BoA/11-17-21/November_17_2021_agenda_revised_11.4.21.pdf)

### **3. New Business**

**A.** A board member is needed to step into Gary K's role of monitoring the County Boards and Commissions agendas.

#### **B. Emailing Members**

As secretary, Donna is looking for input from the board on passing along information to our membership that we receive from members and outside sources. It was decided that Donna would continue to use her discretion as we don't want to bombard our members with too many emails, but also want to provide them with pertinent and timely information that could prove useful to our community.

**C. Single point of contact for dealing with Pima County** — Denise has agreed to continue to be the point person for contact with the County. She will forward these matters to board members so all are in the loop.

**D. Spring Membership Meeting Speaker** — Denise suggested Chuck Graft to speak on Water Conservation Issues. The board agreed that this is a timely and important subject.

### **4. Upcoming Dates:**

- Once the new board is established, a 2022 GPANA Event Calendar will be sent to board.
- Treasurer and Secretary will collaborate (12/6/21) to send reminder emails to members who have not paid dues for 2022.
- Secretary provides results of the election to the board and members on or near 12/6/21
- **12/11/21:** Feliz Paseos Park cleanup at 8:00 AM. An email blast will be sent to members to RSVP beforehand.

**5. Adjourn** – The meeting was adjourned at about 10:15 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Snyder

Secretary