

Gates Pass Area Neighborhood Association
Board Meeting on **August 26, 2023**, Zoom Meeting

The meeting started at 10:00 AM via Zoom

1. Roll Call Board

Denise Garland *President*, Donna Snyder *Secretary*, Sue King, *Treasurer*, Karen Sweeney, *Member*, Tony Knight, *Member* Absent: Gary Bruins

2. Old Business

A. Website and social media — Donna Snyder

Our website, GPANA.info, has been brought up to date. GPANA Member and professional photographer Bob Torez sent us two beautiful monsoon photos which are being used on the home page. If anyone notices any errors or missing information, please email us at gpanasec@gmail.com. We also utilize email blasts to members along with posts to Facebook and Nextdoor, depending on the subject. Big thanks to Jerry Rowlette for his beautiful wildlife photo contributions to our Facebook group.

B. Monitoring Boards and Commissions — Tony Knight

Tony reports that things have been quiet with nothing to report at this time.

C. Treasurer's Report and income tax status — Sue King

Sue will be following up on the income tax status now that she is back in town. The issue is whether it is really necessary to pay the \$50 fee as GPANA is not an HOA. If she can't get an answer, she will pay the fee on the due date. There were no changes to our bottom line in the last 7 weeks. Donna requested and the board approved \$100 for reimbursement for money spent on our Social Hour to recruit new board members. The social hour is happening on August 26 at 5 pm and includes some past board members, most of our current board members and invited guests.

D. Updates on outstanding Issues—Denise

- Pima County Sheriff's website crime stats: Still no current stats on the Sheriff's website as the Department is still considering the best application. Denise will follow up in October.
- Collisions on Speedway – Locals observe that speeding and accidents seem to have declined during the last 2 very hot months. A report is still due from the county regarding the collisions and speeding in the area of Speedway, Anklam, and Camino de Oeste.
- Kinney Trail Issue – Denise plans to follow up with Neil Stitzer, Trails Manager, Pima County NRPR, but it looks like the wildcat trail along Kinney will be incorporated into the Park System. We will continue to push for the formal updating of the Pima County Trail Plan.
- Increasing public land and parks on the westside – Denise has learned that Pima County will be leaning towards pursuing properties that abut the parks and already have a trail(s) on them so they can tie into the trail system. This is discouraging news for protecting open spaces on the westside.
- Undergrounding Utilities on scenic routes – Nothing to report at this time.
- I-11 Freeway through Avra Valley – Nothing new at this time. The federal court judge ruled that an environmental impact study must be done before any movement on the issue.

3. New Business

- Denise reports that board Secretary Donna Snyder has agreed to run for board president. This will open up the position of Secretary. A board recruitment event is being held this evening at her home and includes some former board members, current board members and invited members and guests. Our bylaws state that our board will have at least 7 members, but no more than 9 members. If you would like to learn more about being a board member email us at gpanasec@gmail.com.
- October General Membership Meeting: October 21, 2023 to be held at the Painted Hills Church at 10 AM. We will be holding our clean-up along the Painted Hills Road and Speedway area beforehand starting at 8:00 AM. We will also try something a little different by holding a Plant Swap after the meeting. More to come on the events for that day.

4. Upcoming Dates

- 9/9/23 Feliz Paseos Park Clean-up at 8:00 AM. An email blast will be sent to membership
- 10/21/23 Painted Hills Roadside Clean-up at 8 AM and General Membership Meeting at 10 AM with Plant Swap to follow the meeting
- 11/6/23 Board of Directors Election and Dues Renewal campaign
- 11/11/23 Board meeting at the home of outgoing president Denise Garland at 10 AM. It's a "Thank You Board" event.
- 11/18/23 Camino De Oeste Roadside Clean-up at 8:00 AM
- December: handoff of president's binders and historical material boxes

5. The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:00 AM

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Snyder, *Secretary*

Treasurer's Report
08/26/2023
Prepared by Suzanne King

	Current Period 07/09/23-08/26/23	Year to date 01/01/23-08/26/23
Beginning Balance	\$4,861.55	\$5,147.08
Income		
Membership-Checks		\$480.00
Prepaid membership		\$100.00
Membership-Credit card		\$480.00
Total Income	\$0.00	\$1,060.00
Expenses		
WIX/PP Fees		\$26.81
Post Office Box		\$176.00
Domain Name		\$160.85
Insurance		\$740.68
Office Expense		\$66.19
Meeting Supplies		\$25.00
Coalition for Sonoran Desert Protection		\$100.00
Donation to Camp Cooper		
Donation to Tucsons Mtn. Assn		
Donation to IDA		\$50.00
Total Expenses	\$0.00	\$1,345.53
Ending Balance	\$4,861.55	\$4,861.55

Member Totals	2021	2022	2023
Member households	129	141	144
Individual members	237	261	250
New Members	19	18	13
Members not renewed	11	6	9