

Gates Pass Area Neighborhood Association
Board Meeting on **July 9, 2022**, Zoom Meeting

The meeting started at 9:09 am

1. Roll Call

Board members present:

Denise Garland, *President*, Gary Bruins, *Vice President*, Donna Snyder, *Secretary*, Sue King, *Treasurer*, Tony Knight, *Member*, Karen Sweeney, *Member*, Ethan Henderson, *Member*

2. Old Business

A. Website and social media — Donna Snyder

GPANA.info website is current. The most recent post concerned Neighborhood Watch Groups and how to join or start a group.

Facebook — we have 53 followers in our group. Not all are members. This is a public group and anyone can join, though there's not much benefit of having members outside our area of interest and anyone trying to sell a service is booted from the group.

Nextdoor — Donna noticed in her Nextdoor feed that someone new to our area was curious about internet service. She directed him to our website for information that Denise wrote up about her family's quest for good internet service.

B. Treasurer's report—Sue King

See page 3

C. Membership renewals and new members — Sue King

We have a new member who joined in June.

D. Monitoring Boards and Commissions —Tony Knight

There is nothing new to report. There were no agendas for July.

E. Membership Recruitment — Denise reported for Gary who joined the meeting late.

Denise pointed out that we have hardly any members in the area of Ironwood Hill and Camino de Oeste and that this could be a good area to focus on. Approaching HOAs and asking to speak at one of their meeting has been unsuccessful to date.

F. Speaker for Fall Meeting — Ethan Henderson

Ethan has suggested Diana Hadley to speak to our group at the Fall Meeting. He will coordinate with her to firm up our request and the date. Diana has offered to speak on Las Lomas, its rich history and the hope for future preservation efforts.

G. Updates on Outstanding Issues—Denise Garland

- County Lighting Ordinance – no news
- Underground Utilities, language change by the City of Tucson – no news
- House Bill 2674 – Committee to investigate the need for affordable housing – committee is forming
- I-11 Freeway through Avra Valley – no money for Tier 2 to continue, but this is an ongoing issue and needs to be monitored.
- The Cell Tower/Water Tank at the NW fire station on Camino De Oeste: the increase in height is a done deal and apparently needed no special approvals as its expansion was written into the original approved plan. These towers are regulated by the state and FCC.

3. New Business

- A Zoom meeting is scheduled for July 21, 2022 at 1 PM between GPANA board members and the new owners of Old Tucson, American Historic Railroad. The board would like to introduce our organization to the owners, learn more about their plans for Old Tucson and express our concerns for issues that include traffic and speeding, graffiti, trash, illegal shooting, pedestrian safety.
- GPANA Business Cards – We plan to include the See/Click/Fix app information on our future cards. See/Click/Fix is a very effective way to get problems (graffiti, signage issues, potholes, gravelly streets, erosion and hazardous road conditions, road kill and more) reported to Pima County and the City of Tucson.
- GPANA Brochure – The board has decided that a printed brochure would be very useful for recruiting new members and spreading the word about GPANA. Donna has volunteered to design the brochure and will get print costs. We're thinking of possibly placing brochure holders at Feliz Paseos, the Yetman trailhead, the Painted Hills Trails Park if feasible.
- GPANA Strategic Goals for 2022 (see page 4). This is a working document. Some of these goals have been achieved. Others are more ambitious. The board will be working together to achieve what we can.

4. Upcoming Dates

- **8/1/22:** Deadline for a Board member to notify Board if not continuing to serve next year
- **9/10/22:** Renew County permit for clean-up days
- **9/10/22:** Board Meeting via Zoom at **9 am** (Slate of 2023 officers)
- **10/8/22:** Painted Hills roadside Clean-up **8 am**. **General Member Meeting 10 am**, at COTA
- **10/15/22:** Camino de Oeste roadside Clean-up **8 am**

5. The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:55 AM

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Snyder, *Secretary*

Treasurer's Report
July 7, 2022
Prepared by Suzanne King

	Current Period 5/15/22-7/7/22	Year to Date 1/10/22-7/7/22
Beginning Balance	\$4,224.59	\$4,882.94
Income		
Membership Renewal-Checks		\$480.00
Membership Renewal-PayPal		\$200.00
WIX	\$20.00	\$80.00
Total Income	\$20.00	\$760.00
Expenses		
WIX Fees	\$0.88	\$15.42
Post Office Box		\$166.00
Website		\$611.13
Insurance	615.38	\$615.38
State Tax		\$50.00
Office Expense		\$26.68
Donation to Camp Cooper		\$500.00
Donation to Tucson Mtn. Assn		\$30.00
Donation to IDA	\$35.00	\$35.00
Total Expenses	\$651.26	\$2,049.61
Ending Balance 7/7/2022	\$3,593.33	\$3,593.33

Member Totals

Member households	136
Individual members	253
Email addresses	201

For 2022 we have 136 member households and 253 individual members. At the end of 2021 we had 129 members. 124 member renewed, 3 moved, 1 is deceased, 2 did not renew. We have 13 new members. 76 paid through PayPal or WIX

Gates Pass Area Neighborhood Association 2022 Strategic Goals

Goal One – Create a new website

- Create new website in WIX site builder (Completed)
- Accept member dues payments on new website (Completed)
- Create a website that is viewable on any device (Completed)

Goal Two – Increase resources for members

- Locate and post resources for some of the following topics on how to -
 - Recycle properly
 - Report road hazards and graffiti
 - Communicate with your elected officials
 - International Dark Skies resources
 - View Pima County Board of Supervisors and City Council Board agendas
 - Prepare for an evacuation due to flood, fire, or disaster
 - Conserve and store water
 - Effectively recycling
 - Getting rid of hazardous waste
 - Locate nearest fire and law enforcement services
 - Locate nearest fire hydrant
 - Join a local neighborhood watch group (Completed)

Goal Three – Increase membership

- Increase members in neighborhoods we do not have members now
- Advertise on NextDoor and Facebook first year with GPANA is free
- Have each board members commit to bringing in five new members from their neighborhood for the course of the year
- Have board officers attend HOA meetings to promote GPANA (power in numbers)
- Reach out to realtors with signs in the area and see if they can share GPANA information with new home buyers (Sue?)
- Consider direct mailing through the post office to all residents in our area
- Other ideas?

Goal Four – Increase Park & Public Lands

- Reach out to Pima County to investigate exactly how much money is available for purchase land (at meeting with Supervisor)
- Board to talk to new Director of Natural Resources, Parks and Recreation about suggestions on how to create more parks and public lands in our area (Did this and it's a no go!)
- Meet with Supervisor Grijalva about how we can take an active role in identifying properties to incorporate into public lands and parks (reach out to Keith Bagwell keith.bagwell@pima.gov)
- Work with Bufflegrass Removal folks to determine any properties that are major violators and is the property for sale and could it be purchased by the County (reach out to Barbara Jones bwjones123@hotmail.com)