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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: April 27, 2024

TIME: 10:00

LOCATION: San Manuel Community Center

Attendees: Kennedy Ivy, Don Burch, Susanne Holt, Laurie Smalla, Sharon Mathews, Carl Mathews, Steven Rosenquist, Tracy Wruk, Ruthie Wentworth, Deb Pfaff, Annette Cook, Justin Mossholder

I. Call to order

10:02

Kennedy reported on the recent FCC approval for market area modification and reported that we should now be getting local news from Tucson rather than Phoenix. Michael Weisnier has been instrumental in working for this change.

II.Approval of minutes

1. Minutes were reviewed and approved. Don made the motion to approve the minutes. Tracy seconded it. All approved.

III. Treasurer's Report - Laurie Smalla

1. The balance in all accounts is \$28,104.59

Checking accounts \$10,226.68

Savings account \$17,877.91 (Agrihood balance \$1750.17 included in total)

2.Expenditures for April - None

3.Income for April - Community Center Rentals \$325. Agrihood– \$324.00 in sales and booth rentals for Street Market.

Ruthie made the motion to approve the treasurer's report. Deb seconded it. All approved.

IV. Business of the Board

1.Introduction of new board member

Deb Pfaff was welcomed to the Board.

2. Update on Avantas Open House

Several pros and cons of the proposed solar farm were discussed. The array would stretch from the power station to the fire department. That area is currently zoned residential, although it was pointed out that it is unfit for houses, but would need to be rezoned. The rezoning process would need to go through the Zoning and Planning Committee. It was pointed out that even though the energy would be tied into the current power station, it would probably do nothing to decrease the current cost of electricity. It would possibly provide jobs as it is being built, but no permanent jobs. A discussion as to whether or not it would detract from the view, which is one of our big draws to the area, was had. It's hard to say, since we have no clear picture of what this array would look like. A member of the public, Will Howard, had done some research into the Avantas Company and found that the current name of the company was changed when the parent company was being sued for an earlier project. He also found that the money for this company was from a large global investment firm. He had called the Avantas office for answers to some of his questions, but has not been called back. Kennedy asked people to let him know if people are for this, or against it and said he would do whatever he could, depending on what the public wants. We need input from as many people as possible. People can send emails to SanManuelRC@gmail.com.

3. Donation to softball team discussion

A proposal was made to donate \$200 to the summer Softball Team. Sharon made a motion to approve the expenditure. Don 2nd it. All approved.

4. Brochures of Services Available in the Tri-Community

A tri-fold brochure of available services in the Tri-Community has been designed and is ready to print . The cost for 500 is \$210, and the cost for 1000 is \$233. It was decided that it was feasible to have 1000 printed. These will be left at real estate offices, the post office, the museum and other businesses around town. Sharon made a motion that \$250 would be allocated for this. Don 2nd it. All approved

5.Street Market

Due to input from the public and the vendors, the time of the next Street Market on May 4th has been changed to 9am-2pm. Phat Flavors will again be offering \$5 breakfast burritos as well as snow cones as the weather gets warmer. A proposal was made to move the Market to evening hours during the warmer months.

6. Summer Youth Conference

The Summer Youth Conference will be June 18th from 9:30am -3pm. This Conference is for anyone ages 10-17. They will be learning skills for life. Anyone interested should contact Kennedy.

7. SCIP update

Although this does not directly affect San Manuel, it was noted that the rate decrease for electricity to Oracle and Mammoth that was brought about, was due, in part, by Commissioner Jeff McClure's diligence. A big thank you is extended to him.

8. NNO

National Night Out is scheduled for Aug.16 from 4pm-8pm at the Baptist Church. Vendors and games are being lined up.

9. Car Show

The Copper Town Car Show is scheduled for Oct.12th. Several board members are working with past sponsors and are lining up vendors and participants.

V. Updates from appointed positions

1. Craft Fair-Tracy reminded us that the craft fair is scheduled for Nov. 3 from 10am-3pm.

2. Senior Center- Carl reported the theft of the flagpole and flag sometime during the past week. The need for security cameras was brought up.

3. Area Churches- Sharon had nothing new to report from the churches.

4. Elks- Ruthie reminded people if flags need to be retired there is a box by the Elks, or give them to her and the Elks will properly dispose of them. She also said May 1st will be the last taco night for the season. They will have a Mother's Day Brunch May 12th from 9am -1pm, with a special ceremony honoring mothers. The cost of the brunch is \$10. There will also be special drinks available for \$4. Recipients of the scholarships have been selected, and will be handed out at the Award Ceremony on May 8th.

5. Museum - Tracy encouraged all the board members to visit the museum during the times it is open. Regular hours are Saturdays from 10am -2pm. Contact Tracy for special showings.

6. Sunlife - Brandi gave the update since Natalie was not at the meeting. Oracle Clinic is closed for construction. San Manuel clinic is still open.

7. Saddlebrooke Rotary Club- The Rotary Club was pleased to announce they are giving out 8 scholarships to graduating seniors this year. Six will be for College, and 2 will be for Career Path.

8. Agrihood - Annette reported they need help growing things to sell at the Street Market.

VI. Board Members Comments

Annette and Ruthie are working on the Car Show together and have been in contact with Marie Roybal who worked on past car shows and has been a big help.

VII. Public comments

Jerry Myers reported that he had contacted someone about the crumbling sidewalks along Main Street to the Mall along 3rd about a year ago and

hadn't heard from anyone. The Public Works Department is in control of maintaining the sidewalks.

VIII. Adjournment

Ruthie made a motion to adjourn. Don 2nd it. All approved.

Meeting Adjourned at 11am.

Submitted by Susanne Holt, Sec. 4/28/24