

SAN MANUEL

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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: July 27, 2024

TIME: 10:00

LOCATION: San Manuel Senior Center

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

I. Call to order 10:00

II. Approval of minutes

1. Minutes were reviewed and approved. Don made the motion to approve the minutes. Steve 2nd it. All approved.

III. Treasurer's Report - Laurie

1. The balance in all accounts is \$29,663.84

Checking accounts \$4,781.19

Savings account \$24,882.65 (Agrihood balance \$2232.15 included in total)

2. Expenditures for July-\$543.35 National Night Out expenses, \$100 Annual P.O. Box rental

3. Income for June - \$200 donation from Saddlebrooke Rotary Club for NNO.

Don made the motion to approve the treasurer's report. Sharon 2nd it. All approved.

IV. Business of the Board

1. Polling Place Update - Due to the Community Center not being operational yet, the upcoming election on July 30th will take place at the sheriff substation on the outskirts of town. Polls will be open from 6AM to 7PM. Some form of ID or piece of mail with name and address is required to vote.
2. Community Center Update - Jeff McClure continues to say the repairs will be done to the Center by the end of July, although no work has been completed, as of the 27th. A big thank you to Don for continuing to clear out the water after each storm. Jeff Whitebear has a heavy duty tarp to cover the roof, but needs help putting it on. He also suggested to Laurie that running the air conditioner might help dry it out inside. Several board members also volunteered to bring fans to help out the drying process.
3. Purchase of Road Sign - Laurie will be getting a bid for the road sign, and if it's within the budget of \$2000, she will purchase it. Due to the heat and wind where we are located, the company suggested heavier letters and a protective covering. The Board agreed.
4. NNO update - NNO will be Aug 16th from 4PM -8PM at the Baptist Church. The Arizona Rangers have responded and should be there this year. A list of where and when volunteers are needed has been made, and will be shared with the Saddlebrooke Rotary Club. The plan, this year, is to have people work shorter shifts than were required in the past. The church will be open early, so things can be brought over the night before. Impact of Arizona will be donating the food again this year. Several people have donated the use of their vehicles and trailers to haul items to the church. Games will be set up near the firefighters and sheriff's dept. booth so that the children will interact with them more freely.
5. Agrihood update - Agrihood will not be meeting until Sept. The upcoming Aug 3rd Street Market will be held at the Presbyterian Church from 9AM-2PM. A discussion was had about people wanting to sell food at the Market. There are criteria that need to be followed in order to sell food at a street market or craft fair. Kennedy suggested we

discuss this issue further at our next work meeting, including the feasibility of setting up a community commercial kitchen. Linda Howard said the Oracle Community Center is set up with a commercial kitchen, in case anyone would want to use it.

VI. Updates from appointed positions

1. Sunlife - No representative from Sunlife in attendance
2. Senior Center - Carl reported work has been completed on the Senior Center.
3. Churches - Sharon reported VBSs went well for the several churches that had them this year. Attendance has been down in several of the churches due to the time of year.
4. Museum - Tracy reported that today is the last day to enter the raffle for the \$40 gift card to Tropical Treats. No purchase necessary, just sign up. All board members were urged to visit the museum.
5. Elks - Ruthie reported that the Elks club have applied for several grants to be used towards working with youth and veterans.

VII. Board Comments - Deb is still trying to contact someone about the road sign on the highway. Kennedy will give her the info she needs for the contact person. She also suggested we revisit the idea of having someone from CAHRA come and talk to the community about their program to help low-income households with home repairs.

Kennedy commented on the need for the community to be prepared in case of a catastrophic situation. He has been strategizing with Chris Cassillas of Regenerate Senora on several ideas, including setting up ham radio operations throughout the communities in the Copper Corridor. The need to form a local CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) was discussed. Anyone with other ideas can reach out to Kennedy.

VIII. Public Comments - Hazel commented that there once was a ham radio station in San Manuel. In discussing emergency readiness, several people mentioned the food which can be purchased that lasts 20 years or so. Several places as to where this could be stored were suggested. To have enough for the whole town would require a huge building and would be very costly.

Water would not be as big a problem as there are places where the river has water, and the water table is fairly shallow. The need to have a community discussion about this was brought up.

Linda Howard said the Saddlebrooke Rotary Club is trying to locate family members of veterans buried in the Oracle Cemetery. There are several graves without markers or headstones. The Rotary Club would like to help family members to contact the VA and fill out the paperwork to get the markers or headstones, so if anyone knows of a veteran from San Manuel buried in the Oracle cemetery, let them know.

It was also pointed out that there is a ham radio club in Saddlebrooke.

IX. Adjournment - Sharon made a motion to adjourn. Susanne seconded it. All approved.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50AM.

Submitted by Susanne Holt, Sec. 7/27/24