

SAN MANUEL

REVITALIZATION COALITION

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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

DATE: August 31, 2024

TIME: 10:00

LOCATION: Community 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

10:03

II. Approval of minutes

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

III. Treasurer's Report - Laurie

1. The balance in all accounts is \$29,853.20

Checking accounts \$4,968.44

Savings account \$24,884.76 (Agrihood balance \$2036.52 included in total)

Petty Cash \$100

2. Expenditures for July-

National Night Out expenses-\$1237.51 Agrihood (folding tables for Street Market)- \$195.63 State Farm annual insurance- \$375 Advertising on school T-shirts- \$276.80 Donation to MSMU Schools for snacks for afterschool programs- \$650

3. Income for June - \$1500 Pinal County Events grant for Car Show

Ruth made the motion to approve the treasurer's report. Deb 2nd it. All approved.

IV. Business of the Board

1. Roadsign Update - Since no one has been responding to the inquiry about purchasing a movable roadside sign, Laurie will begin searching on eBay for one.

2. Events Committee Updates

- a. NNO - approximately 200 people attended even though it was a hot afternoon. The first responders brought some of their equipment for the children to climb on and look at. Eighty-six tickets were handed out to the children for Dirty Snow snowcones. Don and Steve grilled 126 hamburgers and 108 hotdogs. Adding a second grill was discussed. The Bouncy Slide was a hit with the children, but the other games were not well-attended. A discussion was had about having more age-appropriate games for the older children. A big thank you was expressed to the Saddle Brooke Rotary Club, Impact of Arizona, Red Hawk Exploration, and the MSMU football team for helping out. Steve made a motion to give a \$300 donation to the Baptist Church for hosting the event again this year. Don 2nd it. All approved.
- b. Car Show - The car show is Saturday October 12th from 10-3, at the high school. Tracy is in charge of contacting vendors; Laurie is in charge of contacting car owners. The two main sponsors are Explore Pinal CountyAZ and Waste Management. A motion was made by Tracy to approve a budget of \$4500 for the car show. Don 2nd it. All approved.
- c. Lanyards - A request was made to purchase lanyards and stickers for the gift bags for car show participants. The lanyards would also be used during events to identify members of the SMRC.

The cost is \$261.81. Deb made a motion to approve the purchase. Susanne 2nd it. All approved.

3. Agrihood update- Guest spokesperson RJ reported the SE coordinator of Pinal County from UofA will do a workshop on setting up a winter garden. The next meeting will be the third Thursday, Sept 19 at 6pm at the Senior Center. Everyone is welcome to attend. Tracy reported on the Street Market. Previous Markets have been successful, with the expectation of the upcoming Market on Sept 7th from 10-2 at the Presbyterian Church will be equally successful. Don Vic reported that he has dropped off 8 raised bed frames, donated by the Biosphere, at the Community Garden acreage. A discussion of the use of the acreage will be discussed later.

4. Grad Night - In the past, the Elks sponsored a night of games and fun on the night of graduation in order to give the graduates an alternative for the evening. After the Elks were unable to continue, the school took over, but did not have the funding to continue. A proposal for SMRC to fundraise for the school to be able to continue hosting Grad Night was made. SMRC would not be involved in the event; the school would be hosting and carrying out the event. A goal of \$10,000 was proposed. Ideas were given on ways to fundraise. Also ideas for activities were proposed. This idea will be discussed at our next work meeting.

V. Updates from appointed positions

1. Elks - Ruthie reported they have received two grants, one to take underprivileged kids to Kohls to get warm clothing, and use the Kohl bucks to help even more kids, the other grant was \$2000 for food baskets for families during winter break when the kids don't get free breakfast and lunch at schools. They are working with Impact to get more food for the baskets.
2. Sunlife - Brandy reported for Natalie. There was nothing new to report
3. Senior Center -Carl said nothing to report.
4. Churches - Sharon reported that the churches have completed their VBSs and urged people to attend church.
5. Museum - Tracy invited everyone to check out the museum located in the Elks Building, open every Saturday from 10-2.

VI. Board Comments- Kennedy said there is still time to give input on the proposed solar field project. He is still trying to get someone to come and talk to the community. The email to give input for or against is SanManuelRC@gmail.com. The meeting with the Board of Supervisors to discuss this is in Florence Thursday Sept. 7th at 6pm. They are still accepting input. Kennedy reiterated the role of SMRC is to support the community in whatever decisions they make. A member of the public, Brian Cox, informed us of many issues for and against solar energy. He urged us all to become informed. During the discussion, several points were brought up including BHP still owns the property and can do as they please, the question of whether or not the panels will be visible from town, the information that the Public Notice sign dealing with this project has been posted behind a tree branch and is not clearly visible.

VII. Public Comments - A discussion of forming a carpool to the Board Meeting in Florence was had. Several people volunteered to drive. Chimene Hawes volunteered her time as a grant writer. The need to make San Manuel self sustainable was brought up. This has been discussed at past meetings. A question about the use of the community center dumpster was brought up. The need to monitor the dumpster was discussed, although if it will keep people from dumping in the desert it is acceptable. Work is still being done to get the Oracle Dump back open. Free dump days have been announced for later in the year. A question concerning the cost for garbage removal was discussed. Waste Management charges differing amounts to different people, and continues to do so. Waste Connections charges a set amount per quarter. This is an ongoing problem. Karen Hauca discussed her business, AZ Safety Solutions, and offered to teach First-Aid, CPR and other safety classes, as well as setting up daily welfare calls to vulnerable people. She gave her business cards to whoever wanted them. Hazel mentioned that the fire department has a home alone program to check on people in San Manuel.

VIII. Adjournment - Laurie made a motion to adjourn. Tracy 2nd it. All approved. Meeting adjourned at 11:33.

Submitted by Susanne Holt, Sec. 9/1/24

