

Sunset Beach Community Association Minutes of the Meeting, 9/7/23

Meeting was held at the Sunset Beach Nobles Family Community Center (16861 12<sup>th</sup> St. Sunset Beach)

Meeting called to order at 7:03by Kevin Paulson, President

In attendance: Kevin Paulson present

Tony Nobles present
Brandi Bigler present
Paul Mueller present
Chris Harrison present
Dawn McCormack present
Natalie Hope present

Flag Salute led by Kevin Paulson

Roll Call & Introductions

Chris Montana, CPA ~ SBCA accountant spoke. She announced the fantastic news that, after several years of work, the Community Association (owner of the Sunset Beach Community Center) has received an exemption from property taxes. Another exemption will need to be filed each year. But currently, we have received \$4030 refund and Chris anticipates that we will receive another (approximate) \$11,000 refund for 2019-2020 by the end of the month.

Chris Harrison, Treasurer, reviewed the budget and expenses year to date. The SBCA is in a much more favorable position this year than last and the refund of property taxes is a huge help.

Board member Natalie Hope spoke about an unleashed aggressive dog that lives near her. She asked for suggestions how to deal with the situation. She was advised to speak with the property manager as the home where the dog lives is leased.

Board member Chris Harrison brought up the idea of privatizing the handicap parking spot at the community center. The board asked Chris to look into this.

Board member Brandi Bigler brought up the Memory/Friendship Garden on the greenbelt. She and Darren Ellis recently cleaned it out and manicured it. They found ashes in the site. Brandi suggested that we need a sign saying no ashes, just memories. She asked if the city will maintain the garden as it is on the greenbelt.

Kevin Paulson mentioned that he was pleased to see there is now a lifeguard at Mothers beach.

Residents asked about the recent arrest in the community of 2 homeless people. It was mentioned that 2 homeless people recently broke into Joel Burkes home on S Pacific. Comments about the ongoing homeless issue at the south end of the greenbelt, near the playground and parking lot. Brandi mentioned that there was a suggestion to add a dog park to the green belt in that area. Resident Larry spoke about a Sunset Beach Super Prom, scheduled for February 10. This will replace the historic Firemans Ball that is no longer being held and will benefit the Community Center.

A motion was made by Dawn McCormack and seconded by Kevin Paulson to approve the Super Prom and fund it. Motion carried unanimously.

Tony Nobles spoke about the upcoming Halloween Party to be held at the Sunset Beach Community Center. The Them is Super Heroes. The Sunset Beach Community Halloween Event is jointly sponsored by the Nobles Family, The SBCA and Las Damas. It will be held from 5pm till 9pm on Saturday October 28.

- Free Admission
- Games, Bounce House & Fun Photo Ops
- Free Pumpkin Patch
- Tons of FUN!

Volunteers are needed!

Lt Roman Altenbach, HBPD was not present

Kevin spoke about voting and the difficulty getting the voter registration rolls from the county electors office.

- Asked Michael Gates, City Attorney, for help but has not received a response from his office.
- Kevin, Natalie, Chris and Paul are up for reelection. Chris will not run again.

Meeting scheduled with city officials to discuss parking traffic,, Christmas decorations, signage, other local issues for September 27 at HB city hall at 3pm

Dawn McCormack talked about the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Sunset Beach Chili Cookoff, to be held on Saturday, September 23. This is the second largest event in our community annually. It is sponsored by the Sunset Beach Womans Club.

- As a result of the excellent results last year, the Sunset Beach Womans Club was able to award 17 scholarships to local students this year.
- Local students pursuing a secondary or post graduate education and also to residents who are
  pursuing trade school or other education to enhance their careers are eligible to apply for the
  scholarships.

Dog Mayor election is coming up. This will be the 4<sup>th</sup> year. There ere was discussion whether to continue this fundraiser.

Food drive for Wayfare Youth shelter will be held again.

Our next SBCA meeting will be held on Thursday, October 5, 2023

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

SBCA Meeting, October 5<sup>th</sup>

Respectfully submitted, Dawn McCormack, Secretary