

SAHNOAN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

8 July, 2023

The Meeting was called to order at 10:30 even though it was posted for 10AM. At 10AM only five Council Members (CM) were present. Paul O indicated that 2/3s (or 7 members) are required for a quorum (per the Constitution posted online). Turned out that version is old. The new version states 3/5s (or six members) are required. Deborah arrived at 10:24, and after discussion I declared a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 10:30AM.

Present: CMs - Deborah V, Bob R, John M, Mike W, Jennifer M, and Pete T
Board President Crystal W, Mark D, Paul O, Donna Kay Baird.

Pete T made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes and Deborah V seconded. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Mini Survey - Mike W reported on AI 23-01. No one at the Ranch currently has a membership for Survey Monkey or the two other online survey tools. President Crystal W. commented that the Board would not be comfortable handing our personal contact info to a private company. I was asked to explore using Google Docs survey function and the Campaign Monitor database to conduct our own internal survey.

Live Band for 66th Anniversary – AI 23-02 Mike W. reported that after BOD approved the funds, he was able to procure X-Factory for \$1,200 for September 23rd. The Board stipulated that Marketing promote the event to insure a big turnout.

Meeting to define Star Ranch “Couple” - August 12th has been set as the date for the Joint meeting with Council, Board, and Office to define Star Ranch “Couple”. Crystal W pointed out that this would not be necessary if the Council would go to 10 individual CMs. No debate at this time.

Report on McDade Watermelon Festival Booths – Mike W reported two successful booths – the always popular Beer Booth, run by Larry S. and his merry band of folk AND the new Star Ranch Info Booth, run by Mike and Jennifer. Record beer sales, especially selling water for \$2/bottle! Tara and Deborah V ran in their 5K race.

Report of other activities (Blind Cart Race, Picnic Potluck, etc) – Not much was reported on these two subjects

The revised Membership Application has been submitted to the Office. It is the only application being provided to prospective members.

Input for July 4th celebration – Mark D. stated that we should no longer announce “road closures”. Ronnie B only used caution taped to close off the roads for the July 4th event

to vehicular traffic, but enough room was between his PVC posts for golf carts and pedestrians. They could be removed with a wave of the hand. We agreed to Mark D's request.

NEW BUSINESS

"Christmas in June" – Mike W explained that there are six months from December 25th to June 25th and six more months to arrive back at 12/25. Doesn't understand the logic of the popular "Christmas in July". No action was taken.

Rock Garden, proposed by Sabrina – She was not on hand to present this idea, so it was tabled until next month.

Calendar date ideas:

8/5 – Noon – Water volleyball, 3PM – Super Soaker, 5PM – Cornhole

8/12 – 2PM – Snacks at the Pool, 7PM – Horseraces, 8PM – Karaoke

8/18 – Birthday Dinner @ Scales

8/19 – Parrothead Weekend

Hat Contest, Shirt Contest, Drink Contest, Parrothead Contest, Cheeseburger/FF dinner, DJ Dance

8/26 – Back to School Weekend – School Supply Drive, Scavenger Hunt, Disk Golf, Rubber Ducky Contest

0/2 – Labor Day Weekend – Usual Games

Open to Floor

Mark D reported that the Pool Playlist got reduced by Amazon to 209 songs. He is working to rebuild the playlist.

11:38AM - Adjournment – Pete Motioned, Deborah Seconded