

SAHNOAN COUNCIL MINUTES

June 14, 2025

CALL TO ORDER: 10:00 am

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Rhum C., Dan H., CM J., Sherry L., Jennifer M., Dennis M., Lori M., Pete T., Mike W., Richard W.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark S.

NUMBER IN ATTENDANCE: 23 (excluding council members)
1 on Zoom

MINUTES FOR MAY 2025: Approved unanimously

OLD BUSINESS

Open Discussion Items

Results of Council Election:

The Council welcomed new members that were elected on June 7, 2025. They are Dan H., CM J., Sherry L., Dennis M., Lori M., Pete T., and Richard W.

Reports

- Financial Report – Bob R.
 - Bob R. transferred responsibilities and possession of financial documents to Lori Miller who was appointed by Council as the new Finance Manager effective immediately.
 - Last year's expenses totaled \$4,500.00: included purchase of towels with embroidery and Star Ranch gift certificates.
 - Current balance is: \$940.67
 - Motion was made by Rhum C., and seconded by Richard W. to accept and approve financial report. Motion passed unanimously.
- Application Review Process Report – Sherry
 - Sherry L. distributed the revised Star Ranch Membership Application and outlined all proposed revisions from Council's recommendations.
- Pickleball Tournament – Richard
 - Pickleball tournament was held on May 24, 2025 with 16 players, the teams were blind draw doubles. The competition consisted of two

separate round-robin groups, with the winner of each group advancing to a single championship match.

- Introduction of new Sahnoan Council Guide – Mike
Function assignments Roles were assigned as follows: Finances – Lori M., Rhum C. (backup); New Members – CM J., Dan H. (backup); Incident Reports – CM J., Pete T. (backup); Meeting Minutes – Sherry L., Jennifer M. (backup)

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion Items

- Deck Crawl hosts – Mike W.
Called for volunteers to serve as next deck crawl hosts.
- Zoom request and acquisition – Mike W.
Motion was made by Lori M., and seconded by Richard W. to approve purchase. Motion passed unanimously.
- Child curfew – Mike W.
Discussion whether or not to impose a curfew. No action was taken.
- Member outreach – Mike W.
Discussion on whether we should proactively reach out to members who have not visited Star Ranch in a year would be divided among Council Members to touch base, offer support, and remind them they're missed. No timeline was given.
- Proposed Summer Festival – April R. (on Zoom)
Discussed her concept for a Sahnoan Festival—suggesting it could attract a younger crowd, be promoted at Star Ranch races, and potentially be held in June 2026. She also mentioned that she would prepare a more formal proposal at the next Council meeting.
- Signing of the Constitution – Mike W.
The updated signature page was signed by all current Council Members.
- DJ and Live bands
Discussed about DJ's and Live bands playing past midnight. Motion was made by Richard W., and seconded by CM J. to have all DJ's and live bands end at midnight without exceptions. The motion passed by a vote of 6 in favor and 4 opposed.

Future Events/Activities

These items were discussed for the events/activities calendar.

- Bingo by Mitch London - June 21, 2025

- Financial Seminar by Dave L. - August 2025
- Painting and wine class by Michelle Fox - TBD
- Luau & Parrothead weekend – August 30, 2025
XFactory Band from 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm
- Roadkill Cook-off – September 6, 2025 at 4:00 pm
- Anniversary weekend – September 19 – 21, 2025
- Brazilian Carnival – August 2, 2025
Sherry L. discussed and proposed a Brazilian Carnival and requested funds not to exceed \$120.00 for supplies and decorations. Motion was made by Lori M., and seconded by Dan H. to approve request. Motion passed unanimously.
- Champagne Toast – Nancy R. announced an upcoming surprise toast on June 20, 2025 at 7:30 pm at the Nekkid Parrot.
- Monthly birthday cake – Sherry L. brought to Council that several members have requested a monthly birthday cake to celebrate the birthdays for the month on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 2:00 pm at the Nekkid Parrot or Tara Hall due to several members not able to attend the Friday night birthday celebrations.
- Car & Bike Show - Mike G. discussed hosting a car & bike show and opening it up to the public. The Council informed the member that this is a Board decision, and the member would need to propose their suggestion to the Board.
- Blind Golf Cart Race – this was discussed and Council decided that it will be placed on hold until further discussion.
- Craft Day – Nancy R. discussed about adding this to the events/activities calendar for November 22, 2025 at Tara Hall from 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm. This Craft Day invites anyone to bring their handmade creations—like earrings, necklaces, paintings, or bracelets—set their own prices, and sell them, with all proceeds benefiting Star Ranch.
- Olympics at Star Ranch – Sherry L. discussed about adding this to the events/activities calendar for October 2025. Lawn games are still in discussion.

Board Report – Mark S.

- Discussed the online, interactive Predator Training Course, which has a duration of approximately 90 minutes. The office purchased access, and Board President recommended that all Council Members, Board Members, and office staff complete it.
- Mark S. requested that the Council include a report on membership gains and losses at Star Ranch as a standing agenda item.

Events/Activities Calendar – Mike W.

Updated future monthly calendar events/activities: September 2025 through December 2025. Mike W. and Jennifer M. added these events/activities to a separate calendar.

Future Council Meetings

The Council discussed future meeting frequency and decided to resume holding regular meetings every other month, with the option to schedule additional sessions as needed. Next Council meeting will be August 9, 2025 at 10:00 am.

Action Items

- Lori M. to work with bank to transfer authorized personnel.
- Sherry L. to finalize Star Ranch Membership application.
- Obtain volunteers as Deck Crawl hosts.
- Monthly birthday celebration with cake follow-up.
- CM J. to include membership losses and gains as a Monthly Agenda item in Reports.

With no further input or issues, the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry L.