

**Oracle Foothills Neighborhood Association
and
Neighborhood Watch #1300**

**Annual Meeting
Via Zoom**

Tucson, AZ 85704
September 12, 2020

Minutes

Due to the COVID pandemic, the Annual Meeting was held virtually via Zoom this year.

Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by President Robert Bolton.

Officers Reports

Minutes Jay DeAngeli, the Secretary, read the minutes of the 2019 Annual Meeting. There were no additions or corrections. It was moved, seconded and unanimously voted that the minutes be accepted as read.

Treasurer's & Membership Report - Jay, Treasurer and Membership Chairman, Jay reported income of \$6228, expenditures of \$4646 and cash on hand as of 8/31/20 is \$14,188. We concluded the fiscal year with 137 members. To date we have received over 80 memberships for the '21 fiscal year. Jay has put out a call for a couple of board members to go over our books and bookkeeping methods. Bente Jensen and Leo Roop will get together with Jay to do this.

President's Report – Robert summed up OFNA's ongoing efforts, such as HHW collection, the book club, recommendations list, website, weekly newsletter and Neighborhood Watch. He noted that we will not be holding our picnic this year due to the pandemic. In lieu of the picnic, OFNA is donating \$500 to the Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona, which will be matched. The county did a great job of trimming along our roadside edges, making our roads safer. The street island at Yvon/Nina was repaired after being destroyed several times, and reflectors have now been placed there. The homeless camp at Oracle/Genematas has been cleaned up after much effort, thanks to the City of Tucson. There are two new developments we are monitoring – Agave/1st Ave., and a new one on W. Yvon Dr. The monument on Genematas near Oracle is in poor condition and we are in the process of replacing it.

Committee Reports

Streets – Jay reported on the condition of our streets, which have been torn up due to gas line replacement and the new development. The sharp drop-off on Yvon finally got paved and is now much safer.

Website, Weekly Update – Carole asked for input for either the website or the weekly update.

Hospitality – Carole paid tribute to those neighbors that have died this year: Eleanor Formo, Pam Remington, Matt Johns, Les Josephson, Donna Josephson, Mayree Braun and Roxie Lopez. Roxie’s husband, George, had gall bladder surgery, and his brother, John, fell and broke his shoulder. Roxie’s obituary asked that donations be made to Arizona Public Media, with which she was very involved. It was moved and seconded that OFNA donate \$100 to AZPM in Roxie’s honor. The motion passed unanimously. A number of neighbors have left the neighborhood this year: Virginia Johns, Lesa & Robert Jensen, Lori Williamson, Bobbi Corbett & her mom, Vivian Feinberg, Sue & Ernie Richmond, Ron & Debbie Birdman. We have quite few new neighbors, including the most recent – Tim & Karyl Sutherland on Maria Dr.

Neighborhood Watch – The Neighborhood Watch Area Leader reported on the criminal activity for the year. In February there was a burglary at Circa 79 Salon by a guy who lived in the Catalina Foothills Lodge apartments. He was identified thanks to cameras. A burglary took place on Maria Dr. in the 5600 block, the thieves entering the garage through an unlocked door. An attempted burglary in the same area was thwarted by cameras, lights and locks. There have been several incidents of mail theft, and Carole asked that people report any such incidents to 911 as well as the Postal Inspector. Jay noted that if people get locking mailboxes, they need to make sure they can’t be pried open with a screwdriver. He is willing to give anyone advice on the best kind to get. We have also had some reports of larceny from motor vehicles, noise complaints, suspicious persons, graffiti, illegal dumping, homeless camps, solicitors and scams. There is a rental house on Canyon View that has had many boxes piled at the front door. Delann will call the owners and find out what is going on. We may have to call and have the sheriff go by and check.

Old Business

Household Hazardous Waste – The collection has been paused for several months, but will resume on October 1st, a Thursday. Barb & Hank Peck, Clark Arnold and Brendan Carey are responsible for this great service. Brendan has a company that does hazardous waste disposal and he had done our collections for free.

Homeless Camps – After many calls and letters to the owners of the property at Oracle/Genematas, the City of Tucson Code Compliance people got involved and were instrumental in having the homeless removed and getting the owners to clean up the huge mess. There were many trailer-loads of trash hauled out of there.

New Business

Picnic – Jay said we had a great picnic last year and thanked Bente & Johnny Jensen for the use of their property. The picnic has been cancelled this year due to the pandemic, but we hope to have it back next October.

Yvon Dr. Development – Lisa Meder reported that Fairfield Homes is planning to develop the land across W. Yvon Dr. from her house. Her husband, Scott, has spoken to the engineer for the project and discussed the issues with access. West Yvon Dr. is a private road owned by the

adjacent property owners. The developer has shared a preliminary map with us that shows 12 possible homesites. All will be on septic, which requires one full acre for each homesite.

Gas Line Replacement – Southwest Gas and their contractor, NPL, have been working to replace the gas lines on a portion of Genematas, a portion of Yvon, all of Georgia and all of Nina. Carole spoke to the supervisor for the project and he plans to be finished connecting individual homes by November 15. After that, their paving contractor will come in and do a final repair on the streets.

Monument – The stained-glass monument at the corner of Oracle and Genematas has suffered deterioration from long years in the weather. Chris Davison, owner of Circa 79 Salon, has generously offered to pay for new artwork, and former neighbor Ed Muren is creating the new artwork for the historic frame. This should be installed sometime in October.

Election of the Board – Joan Scott read the slate of candidates for the board of directors and asked if there were any nominations from the floor. There being none, it was moved and seconded that we accept the slate as presented. The vote was unanimous. The new board will be Robert Bolton, Maria Brandauer, Jay DeAngeli, Delann Debenedetti, Bente Jensen, Lisa Meder, Stephanie Morrison, Diana Ossana, Leo Roop, Scott Ruth, Tom Scarborough, Mary Jo Schwartz and Joan Scott.

Call for Items from the Floor – There were no items from the floor.

Adjournment –Robert thanked everyone for attending. The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.