

Sun City PRIDES
Membership Meeting
February 4, 2017

Meeting was called to order at 9:10 am by President, Ken Smith.

Pledge of Allegiance was given.

New members: There are two new members in Phase I, one in Phase II and two in Phase III.

Minutes:

The January 7, 2017 minutes were read. A motion to approve the minutes as read was made by Jay Wood and seconded by Jerry Kavanagh. Motion approved.

Treasurer's Report:

- January income: \$139.54
- January expenses: \$16,235.33
- A laptop was purchased for \$750, and \$15,000 was donated to SCRAP.

A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Barb Richards and seconded by Lloyd Maple. Motion approved.

Business:

Oscar Pena, MCDOT, shared updates:

- On Monday MCDOT will remove the remaining 9 orange trees on Bell Road between 105th and 107th. They will leave the bougainvillea bushes.
- Two trucks are currently spraying weeds in Sun City. Oscar was informed that wildflowers have been planted along Olive so they would not be mistaken for weeds.
- There was discussion about areas throughout the community that need attention.

Beautification Committee Report:

Mike met with John Counts (MCDOT supervisor). Mr. Counts has approved proposed tree planting for the remainder of the medians along 107th Avenue, south of Grand Avenue. He also approved the proposed cactus plantings along Bell Road. They will start on the north side near Lindgren and work west. Eventually there will be cactus plants along both the north and south sides of Bell Road within Sun City.

The meandering path along Olive is still in the planning stage.

Old Business:

Board and Support Operations List:

The list has been updated as of January 2017.

Luncheon Committee:

Five employees from MCDOT, Supervisor Clint Hickman and a granddaughter and great-granddaughter of our PRIDES founder Joe McIntyre have accepted invitations to the luncheon.

MCDOT/PRIDES Contract: This is still awaiting MCDOT approval.

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EPCOR/PRIDES Building:

Ken and Mike are working with Frank Metzler from EPCOR. There is a proposal for a 110-foot chain-link fence with a 15-foot entry gate that would secure the area behind the PRIDES building. EPCOR has approved the fence, and they are in the process of getting several bids from contractors that do similar work for them. At this morning's meeting, the Board approved an amount up to \$5,000 for the fence. Steve Fribley moved that no fence be installed behind the PRIDES building. There was no second, and the motion died.

Member Survey on Ideas for Future Planning:

Beautification plans are on track with ideas expressed in the survey.

Thank You Letter from SCRAP:

Ken read a letter from Lloyd Maple, President of SCRAP, thanking the PRIDES for our recent donation to their project.

Service Pins:

Ken asked that if anyone needs to receive an anniversary pin this year to let Francine Jennings know ASAP. Ken also reminded everyone that as of 2018 service pins will be awarded for years of service completed.

New Business:

Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation Review Committee:

Molly will form a committee for this.

RRRB Request:

Karen Millan from Recreational Recorded Reading for the Blind has asked to interview a PRIDES member for this program. Molly volunteered to talk with Karen.

Upcoming Events:

Carol Howland, one of the first members of the PRIDES, will turn 105 years old on February 10th. Her family has invited all PRIDES to attend a birthday celebration at her home in Sierra Winds Retirement Village.

A memorial service for Faye Pitts, current PRIDES member, will be held on February 10th.

Dorothy will have a table at the New Residents Event at Palmbrook on March 15th and at the Home and Garden EXPO on April 12th at Sundial.

Arbor Day will be celebrated on April 27th. Four honorees (Don Avery, Richard Bondon, Bonnie Merrick, and Faye Pitts) will have trees planted in their names. Linda Dircks is coordinating the events.

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Other Items:

There was a discussion about concerns for the safety of workers trimming bushes near the roads. Traffic cones will be put out as a safety measure.

The money jar was won by Allan Dirkx.

The next meeting will be held on March 4, 2017.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Rosie Swain