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Willo Neighborhood Association Board
Meeting Minutes
April 8, 2021

Board Members Present: Dr. Robert Cannon, Brad Brauer, Linda Doescher, Charlene Gum, Erika Gagnon, Ann Bommersbach, James Varela, Sandra Lefcovich, Jeremy Schachter, Aaron Montaña Searles, Kush Govani, Patrice Wappel.

Treasurer's Report: Linda Doescher presented the financial statement and next year's budget.

As for the financial statement, the committees have done really well with keeping costs low. We'll end up in over budget but less over budget than we anticipated. Jeremy Schachter made a motion to approve the financial statement; Sandra Lefcovich seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

As for next year's budget, each committee submitted what they requested for a budget. Home Tour committee adjusted their budget to reflect more income. Based on the projections, we'll be \$557 under budget with hopefully more in store. If requested, Linda Doescher will email this budget to you. Brad Brauer made a motion to approve the budget. Linda Doescher seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

March, 2021 Minutes: Board deferred approval of minutes until Opal Wagner returns.

Inside Willo: Sandra Lefcovich reported the Inside Willo magazine is running smoothly and thanked the advertisers.

Social Media: Jeremy Schachter reported that Willo's Facebook page continues to grow.

By-law changes: An official vote on by-law changes is coming in June. There are substantial changes in voting by-laws due to COVID.

Block watch grants: We didn't get any block watch grants but other neighborhoods like FQ story also got nothing due to budget constraints. Linda Doescher will be calling to determine the reason.

Home tour committee: Brad Brauer said he was pleased to release the budget to Linda Doescher. They're working to get some help with procurement.

Streets and Traffic Safety Committee: Bob Cannon stated that two Budget meetings are approaching, one on April 14th and another on April 17th. Board members should plan to attend both meetings and speak. The Board conducted a survey to determine which members could attend which meeting. Bob and Opal Wagner will work together to determine the message that the members should communicate at the meeting.

Willo Parks: Brad Brauer reported about the installation of a light in Walton Park and how it became City of Phoenix property. He also reported that workers have been out to fix the light for the past 3 days.

Brad Brauer also reported that a prominent landscaper in Willo, Alejandro, had a tragedy befall his family when his wife recently passed away from leukemia. She leaves behind 4 young children in their family. Brad is considering setting up a GoFundMe with Kush Govani's help to assist Alejandro in this difficult time.

Klean streets: Patrice Wappel says there's nothing to report

Palm lane concerts: Officer Harris addressed the meeting. He said he would be present this Saturday and future upcoming Saturdays to monitor the situation. He will be present with 3 other officers and a sergeant. He will be getting the event to disperse as peacefully as possible and as low-key as possible. Enforcement will be under the City's loud party ordinance and will amount to a civil citation. He will also be working to educate the property owner. Officer Harris has not reached out to the property owner.

Willo photo book: Diana Herman and James Varela updated the meeting on the status of the project. 58 books have sold out of 200. They are currently working on home research.

Tricia Amato addressed the meeting to state that the other neighborhood book is not a competitor to the Willo book.

Willo welcome committee: Teresa Fontana updated the meeting, saying that they're writing an article welcoming a neighbor every month.

Zoning Committee: Tom Doescher reported on the Duke's photography studio space. The owner has applied for a demolition permit but hasn't paid for it. There's no way to object to a demolition permit. Raising Canes has not applied for a permit yet.

In addition, AZ opera is having a zoning adjustment on their signs. They had not gotten a permit for their banners and intend to replace the lights with LED halo lights, which won't emit glare into the neighborhood.

Old Business

Nikki Armstrong, Social Committee Chairperson, said Willo Happy Hours and other social activities are planned to be resumed in September 2021.

New Business

Erika Gagnon and Kush Govani will work to organize an October 30 Willo event. No alcohol will be permitted at the event as it's a liability for the association. Because there will be no GAIN event this month, money budgeted towards that can be diverted to this event.

Brad Brauer made a motion to adjourn. Sandra Lefcovich seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned