



Minutes of the General Membership Social Meeting

Saturday, November 23, 2019 :: 11:00 am :: Palm Springs Fire Station #4

Attendees

Members: Board members Stan Sartor, Jim High, Larry Johnson, Alan Beardslee, and Shannon Metcalf. Approximately 40 other community members attended including Wally and Sheila Brown, Kevin and Connie Fruhwirth, Bob Vauthier, Michele Johnson, Layla Maxwell, John Lacombe, Jim Sowa, Eric and Vivian Chiel, Bertil Lindblad, Paul Stevens, Ron Weaver, Holly and Fred Minniti, Tom DeSimone, Patrick Henry, Robert Jimenez, Bill Fletcher, Carol Munro, Lily Berman, Todd Roush, Steve Muller. [One or more of the sign-in sheets was misplaced with the names of the other 15+ attendees.] **Guests:** Palm Springs City Manager David Ready, Palm Springs Manager of Office of Neighborhoods Denise Goolsby, Palm Springs Fire Department Battalion Chief Michael Smith, and Fire Station #4 staff

Welcome and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 11:30 am. Special guests were introduced. Advisory Board members did self-introductions, followed by self-introductions of residents attending for the first time.

Approval of April 6, 2019 Annual Meeting minutes

There was a motion and a second to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2019 General Membership Annual Meeting. The minutes were approved by a unanimous vote.

Approval of New Advisory Board Member

Per our bylaws, members appointed by the Advisory Board to fill vacancies must be approved by members at the next scheduled membership meeting. Brent Apt was recently appointed to the Board to fill a vacancy. Since he is out of town today, his partner Bob Vauthier represented him and gave brief background information on Brent and his involvement with the organization. There was a motion and a second to approve Brent Apt as an Advisory Board member for the remainder of the current term. The motion was unanimously approved.

Remarks from City Manager

City Manager David Ready shared information on several issues related to the City of Palm Springs current and upcoming activities. He thanked our organization for the \$1,500 donation of a 32' built-in BBQ at the recent Fire Station #4 reopening. He noted that this demonstration of our neighborhood's strong support for their local fire station is truly appreciated.

Announcements

Upcoming February 17, 2020 Modernism Week Twin Palms Home Tour

Planning is well underway for our seventh home tour which is shaping up to be our most successful tour to date. There is still time to sign up to be a volunteer docent. All volunteers are able to take the tour for free and to attend the Volunteer Thank You Party after the tour.

Home and Resident Survey

Copies of the Home and Resident Survey are available at the registration desk and all the tables. The information collected helps us better understand our residents and how to better serve them.

2019 Membership Dues

It is not too late to pay our organization's \$25.00 voluntary annual dues for 2019. 2019 Dues Forms are available today, and also on our website, *TwinPalmsPS.org*. This is a great way to show your support for the organization's activities.

Thank You

Fire Station #4 Applicants and Reviewers

Special thanks to the following residents for their role in the recent Community Grant of the BBQ to the fire station: *Grant Applicants:* Wally and Sheila Brown, Kevin and Connie Fruhwirth, Brent Apt and Bob Vauthier, and Marc and Gayle Keagy. *Grant Reviewers:* Joanne Mullen, Hung Fan, Lynn Pettit, Michele Johnson, Eric Chiel, and Advisory Board members.

Fire Department Staff

Battalion Chief Michael Smith and his staff were thanked for hosting today's meeting at the recently reopened state-of-the-art Palm Springs Fire Station #4. Fire station staff thanked us for the BBQ which they are enjoying on a daily basis.

Today's Meeting Volunteers

Layla Maxwell, John Lacombe, Jim Sowa, Bob Vauthier, Eric Chiel, and Larry Johnson were acknowledged for their efforts to plan and execute today's social membership meeting.

Closing Remarks

Everyone was thanked for attending today and invited to enjoy lunch featuring hamburgers and hotdogs cooked by the Fire Station staff on the new outdoor BBQ.

The formal portion of the social meeting was adjourned at 11:45am. Battalion Chief Smith invited everyone to join one of the guided tours of the station.