



**HISTORICAL & COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
Town Center Hall
Meeting of Wednesday, March 22, 2023**

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER- Chairperson Sally Gaitan called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL
 - Present:* Mary Arias, Blake Carter, Sally Gaitan, Marina Gurrola, Jeannette Lizarraga, Elena Lopez Bocca, Maria Salazar, Mark Scoggins, Hilda Zamora

 - Absent:* Julie Garcia, Gloria Maghame

 - Staff:* Deborah Raia, Executive Secretary

 - Guest:* None

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS- Nothing to report.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES-

A motion was made by Jeannette Lizarraga and seconded by Hilda Zamora to approve the minutes of February 22, 2023. The motion was carried with 9 in favor and 0 against.

5. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT – DEBORAH RAI

Library Programs and Events-The Library has received consistent praise for the excellent STEAM programming and is looking into creating one for teens and adults.

Friends of the Library- The Friends of the Santa Fe Springs City Library is a group of individuals dedicated to supporting Library services. Founded in 1961, the Friends volunteer for First Friday and help raise money for Library programs and materials through book sales. The Friends Committee currently has a little over \$26K in the bank. The Library was unable to gather enough members to rejoin after the pandemic and is looking for feedback on how to move forward.

Santa Fe Springs History Day-The City Council will proclaim May 15, 2023, as Santa Fe Springs History Day on its 66th birthday (incorporated in 1957). The proclamation will take place at the City Council meeting on May 2, 2023. Staff would like to invite the members of the committee to accept the proclamation.

6. OLD BUSINESS

Historical Video- Mr. Oblea has submitted his final version of the unfinished Historical video to the Library. The Committee is interested in taking the time to watch the video during one of its meetings and shared that they would like to continue being involved in

this long-term project although the Library has offered to take the responsibility of finishing it. Committee members would like to continue to show the unfinished video at this year's Art Fest. Committee members would also like to know the account status of this newly combined Committee.

7. HERITAGE ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (HAAC) REPORT –

2023 Art Fest – The HAAC continues the planning of the 2023 Art Fest. The chamber has reached out to several businesses for possible sponsorship opportunities. The Committee continues to receive feedback from the community regarding the new admission fee of \$10 for non-students, however, has been reinstating the need to charge an admission fee in order to continue to provide quality programming and art educational scholarships. The Committee hopes to achieve higher art sales by placing the auction outdoors and allowing businesses to preview the art showcase taking place Thursday, April 27, 2023. Local high school jazz bands will be performing at this year's Art Fest.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- Historical Video Discussion
- Friends of the Library
- Beautification Awards

10. MEMBER COMMENTS/ ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Committee is interested in visiting the Hathaway Ranch and discussing a future collaboration. The Women's Club Quartermanina event was a success with a profit of over \$4k and is offering several general scholarships to qualified senior high school students living in Santa Fe Springs.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson, Sally Gaitan adjourned the meeting at 10:44 a.m.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 26, 2023, at 9:30 a.m. at the Town Center Hall.