



Santa Fe Springs Sister City Committee
Town Center Hall – Meeting Room 1
Monday, October 7, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER – Vice-Chairperson Andrea Lopez called the meeting to order at 6:43 p.m.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – All
3. ROLL CALL – ERIC EY, ACTING COMMUNITY SERVICES SUPERVISOR/EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Members Present: Susan Johnston, Andrea Lopez, Jacqueline Martinez, Marcella Obregon, Kayla Perez, Beverly Radoumis, Peggy Radoumis, Laurie Rios, Jeannette Wolfe, Doris Yarwood, Charlotte Zevallos, Manny Zevallos

Members Absent: Francis Carbajal, Martha Villanueva,

Staff: Michelle Smith, Community Services Supervisor/Executive Secretary (Excused)
Eric Ey, Acting Community Services Supervisor

Council Liaison: Juanita Trujillo, Mayor

Guests: None

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – ANDREA LOPEZ- VICE-CHAIRPERSON
Nothing to report.
5. APPROVAL OF August 5, 2019 MINUTES*
A motion was made by Charlotte Zevallos, and seconded by Manuel Zevallos, to approve the Minutes of September 9, 2019. The motion was carried unanimously.
6. COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT –Mayor Juanita Trujillo’s reported on the following:
 - The Hotel project on Norwalk Blvd and Telegraph Road is still moving forward but delayed due to negotiations.
 - Recently there have been a few incidents in Santa Fe Springs which have involved the police and have made it in to the news. Both incidents did not involve residents of Santa Fe Springs. Suspects in both incidents have been arrested and charged.
 - City Council meetings are held on the second and fourth Thursday of the month. At the next meeting, Council will vote to move up the start time of the second section of the meeting from 7:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. since there is a gap between the two.

- Mayor Trujillo was asked about the progress of the Sonic Burger on Florence and Carmenita. Mayor Trujillo reported that all of the papers have been signed and Sonic is able to build when they are ready.
- There is a new Ramen restaurant on Norwalk Blvd where The Sandwich used to be.
- Mayor Trujillo announced that on Saturday that Fire Station 4 will be having an Open House from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Smoke detectors will be given out with proof of Santa Fe Springs Residency.
- Mayor Trujillo gave information to the Committee regarding the \$60 per year Paramedic Subscription Program and encouraged them to share in the information. A small fee of \$5.00 per month is added to the water bill.

7. OFFICER ELECTIONS* - ERIC EY

Mr. Ey gave a brief description of the eligibility requirements, the voting process, and guidelines stated in the Brown Act for Committee Elections.

- Nominations and Election of Chairperson for 2019-2020**– The Nominating Committee’s nominee for Chairperson, Francis Carbajal, withdrew. Chairperson Radoumis opened the floor to nominate members for the Chairperson position. Members verbally made nominations for the position of Chairperson. Chairperson Radoumis closed the floor for nominations. The following member was nominated and accepted: Peggy Radoumis was nominated. Andrea Lopez was nominated and declined.
Votes were taken by show of hand and a vocal vote. Peggy Radoumis was elected in as 2019-2020 Beautification Committee Chairperson.
- Nominations and Election of Vice-Chairperson for 2019-2020**– The Nominating Committee’s nominee for Vice-Chairperson is Beverly Radoumis. Chairperson Radoumis opened the floor to nominate members for the Vice-Chairperson position. Members verbally made nominations for the position of Vice-Chairperson. Chairperson Radoumis closed the floor for nominations. The following members were nominated and accepted: Beverly Radoumis, Doris Yarwood, and Manuel Zevallos.
Ballots were handed out and collected. The count resulted in a tie between Doris Yarwood and Beverly Radoumis. Beverly Radoumis withdrew from election. Doris Yarwood was elected in as 2019-2020 Beautification Committee Vice-Chairperson.
- Nominations and Election of Treasurer for 2019-2020**– The Nominating Committee’s nominee for Treasurer is Jeannette Wolfe. Chairperson Radoumis opened the floor to nominate members for the Chairperson position. Members verbally made nominations for the position of Chairperson. Chairperson Radoumis closed the floor for nominations. The following member was nominated and accepted: Jeannette Wolfe.
Votes were taken by show of hand and a vocal vote. Jeannette Wolfe was elected in as 2019-2020 Beautification Committee Treasurer.

8. EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT – ERIC EY

- a. Haunted House**–This year’s Haunted House will be held in the Activity Center at Los Nietos Park. The Full Scare will be open Friday, October 25th through Sunday, October 27th, and again on Halloween night, October 31st. The Lights on Walkthrough will be on Tuesday, October 29th and Wednesday, October 30th. The entrance fee is \$5 for 13 years and older and \$4 for 12 years and under.
- b. Halloween Carnival –** Thursday, October 31st from 5:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. The annual Halloween Carnival and Costume Parade will be held at Los Nietos Park on Thursday, November 31st beginning at 5:30 p.m. There will be games, candy, crafts, and food trucks. The Costume parade will begin at 6:30 p.m. and have categories broken down by the following ages: 2 and under, 3-4, 5-6, 7-9, 10-12, along with best dressed dog.

9. OLD BUSINESS – PEGGY RADOUMIS

a. Fundraising Ideas & Upcoming Fundraisers

- Tree Lighting– Committee members will sell coffee, water, soda, and popcorn at the Tree Lighting on Saturday, December 7th.
- Chairperson Radoumis thanked all members that showed up and helped out at Fiestas Patrias. She encouraged members to follow through on commitments to volunteer for the Committee at events.

10. NEW BUSINESS – PEGGY RADOUMIS

a. Committee Holiday Dinner – The Committee Holiday Dinner will be held on Monday, December 2nd at Geezers at 6:00 p.m.

b. Tirschenreuth Update – Mr. Ey reached out to the Young Ambassadors to see if there was any interest in participating in an exchange. There are two members interested, five not interested, and one with no response. It was suggested that members do a presentation at the high school as well as distribute flyers. Andrea Lopez will be at Santa Fe High School to talk about the Christmas Float Program and invited Chairperson Radoumis to join her. Chairperson Radoumis informed Mr. Ey that she requested changes be made to the flyer. Mr Ey will follow up with an updated flyer.

11. FINANCIAL REPORT* - JEANNETTE WOLFE – TREASURER

September Finance Report –Treasurer Jeannette Wolfe Distributed the September Report to the Committee. Ms. Wolfe briefly went over the report.

A motion was made by Susan Johnston, and seconded by Andrea Lopez, to receive and file the financial report. The motion carried unanimously.

a. Bills/Invoices –

- A motion was made by Susan Johnston, and seconded by Andrea to purchase flowers for Francis Carbajal and Martha Villanueva in the amount of not to exceed \$100.00 (\$50.00 per arrangement). The motion carried unanimously.

12. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT – PEGGY RADOUMIS

a. Young Ambassadors Subcommittee Report –

Nothing new to report.

b. Navojoa Subcommittee Report – Peggy Radoumis

The Hazmat Truck donated to Navojoa by the Santa Fe Springs Fire Department has reached Navojoa.

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – ERIC EY

- Young Ambassador Association Standing Rules Discussion - Subcommittee Report
- Sister City Committee Standing Rules – Subcommittee Report
- Tree Lighting fundraiser


14. ANNOUNCEMENTS – PEGGY RADOUMIS

- Peggy Radoumis announced that Beverly Radoumis and family just returned from Atlanta, Georgia.
- Jeannette Wolfe announced that she was in a major traffic accident in September. She was hit by a bus and her husband's car was totaled.
- Jeannette Wolfe shared with the Committee that Robert has dual citizenship in Germany and has applied to get his Doctorate. Thomas has returned from Hawaii and is back in California.
- Andrea Lopez announced that arrival of her granddaughter Sophia Andrea. She just returned from six weeks in Texas visiting.
- Major Trujillo announced that she is now the Great Aunt of Sophia Andrea and will be visiting her in Texas soon.
- Laurie Rios shared with the Committee that she attended the beautiful wedding of her grandson and everything was perfect.
- Marcella Obregon announced that her daughter adopted two sons, Noah Fernando and Jacob Zachary.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Peggy Radoumis adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, November 4, 2019 at the Town Center Hall at 6:30 p.m.



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