

Minutes
TOW COMMUNITY CENTER ASSOCIATION
135 CR 221, Tow, Texas 78672
August 4, 2022

1. Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance lead by Gloria Buchanan
2. Meeting called to order by Gloria Buchanan at 6:30 pm
3. Quorum established; Gloria Buchanan, Tim Hackney, Linda Jackson, Paul Norman, David Hooge, Linda Wallen and Donna Davis were in attendance. Toni Milam and Debbie Povec were absent.
4. Welcome by Gloria Buchanan. Thank you to those who cleaned and hung blinds.
5. Citizen Comments - Tammy Pokorny commented that the promised email newsletter has not been sent out yet.
6. Approval of prior minutes from July 7, 2022.
Motion by David Hooge; second by Paul Norman. Passed.
7. Discussion and possible action on Website, domain name, etc. Linda Wallen. A number of domain names were initially purchased as a "safety net". Linda recommends that we only pay for those we are actually using. It is time to renew THETowCommunityCenter.com marketing and security license for just under \$500.

Question from a citizen, Sue Thornton. Will dropping emails not used impact the public's ability to communicate with the Board? Answer: No. The current website contains the ability to email the Board.

Can we incorporate the old Facebook website with the new? Linda W. has locked down the old website with no known administrator.

Motion to continue with the current website from GoDaddy, eliminate what we don't use and reimburse Linda Wallen for the charges for this year by Paul Norman, second by Tim Hackney. Passed.

8. Discussion and possible action on: Amending our By-Laws - Gloria's recommendation is to review and make revisions as a group and then work with the County Commissioner and Assistant County Attorney. Workshop

planned for 10:00 am August 20. Please read the by-laws and prepare to discuss.

9. Committee Reports

- a). Safety and Maintenance by Tim Hackney
- Discussion of the Eagle Scout project of painting and repair of the pavilion and benches. Determined colors and supplies needed. We need to prep and clean posts on Wednesday. Linda Wallen has a code for the door so that they have access to the building. We will provide snacks and ice. (Tim Gatorade and water, Gloria and Donna snacks, Linda J. ice and ice chest)

- b). Finance by Linda Jackson. Beginning balance July 7, 2022 \$10,754.17. Balance as of August 4, 2022 \$10,789.19. Several items not sold at the garage sale were put on Facebook. October 7&8 is the next garage sale. We will accept donations of goods to sell.

Motion to accept the financial report. by Linda Wallen, second by Tim Hackney. Passed.

- c). Communications by Linda Wallen. No additional items to report. The email newsletter should go out this weekend.

- d). 501c3 and grants by Paul Norman. Paul continues to work on our listing on GuideStar and has the TCC to the gold level. He submitted a grant request to LCRA for \$20,000 for flooring, a commercial stove, installation of a gas line, 50 gallon water heater, new window shades, etc. Our portion to pay would be \$4,000. We may not hear from LCRA until September.

Paul is working on smaller grant requests for tables, ice machine, etc. Highland Lakes Service League, CTEC Texas Parks and Wildlife used to have grants for outside projects.

- e). Events and Fundraising - A possible Hot Dog dinner for Veteran's Day. Another organization is wanting participation in a 5K run or fundraiser.

10. Old Business

- a). Installing a working stove in the kitchen. One has been donated. It is smaller than the current stove, but works well. It will be installed in

the next few days.

- b). Linda Raschke has been unable to locate a donation for a TV to hang for exercise class and other Center uses. She is still following leads..

11. New Business

- a). Fish Fry fundraiser September 24 by donation. Do we want to have a raffle and sell tickets? Richard Jackson is building and donating a bench, one \$200 Miller's gift card and three \$100 HEB gift cards. \$1 per ticket or 6 tickets for \$5 or \$30 tickets for \$25. Linda Wallen will create a flyer to advertise. Board members are not eligible to win.

Motion to hold the raffle and purchase gift cards by Linda Wallen, second by Tim Hackney. Passed.

- 12. Future Agenda Items - Update on the well house. Selling or giving away the old china and dishes in the closet.

12. Next meeting date September 1, 2022

- 13. Motion to adjourn by Linda Wallen, 2nd Tim Hackney. Passed
Adjourned 7:34 pm.

Minutes by Donna Davis

Gloria Buchanan

Gloria Buchanan, President
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