

Prior to the meeting start, as attendees arrived and signed in, they were given a Door Prize ticket that would be drawn for prizes later in the evening.

The General Meeting was called to order and everyone was welcomed by President Beverly Lee at 7 PM. Present at the meeting were 4 CHRNA Board members, 24 CHRNA Members, and 5 guests, as noted by the sign-in sheets.

Special Guest Ramon Chapa, representative from Commissioner Calvert's office, notified us that the County has put together a series of drive-thru flu clinics and the one closest to our area (District 4) would be held Saturday, September 23, 2023. Member James Matthews inquired about the Crownwood street project (estimated to start in 2024) and how the residents are going to maneuver their parking and vehicle situations based on the street demolition and reconstruction. Mr. Chapa expressed that there are plans in place to make sure we have the most current information as we get closer to the project start dates. Our community's long-standing relationship with the Bexar County offices continues to aid us in keeping our area a priority in resolving the issues we see. Mr. Chapa continues his pledge to make sure we are taken care of and will either be able to aid us himself or he will teach us how to get ahold of those who can aid us, so that we can help ourselves as much as possible. It was suggested that we have open meetings with the parties involved in the project so that we can be made aware of the plan for our construction as well as bring us any questions, concerns, or issues Crownwood may have before construction starts.

Minutes from July 2023 meeting were presented for approval by Advisor Damian Arocho filling in for Jenny Smith (Secretary). Those present were asked for any corrections and additions to be made. There were no corrections offered and Frank Vitale motioned for the Minutes to be accepted as posted. George Wood seconded the motion was passed by unanimous vote.

The Treasury Report was read by Advisor Damian Arocho, filling in for Stella McCoy (Vice-President/Treasurer). There were no questions concerning the Treasury Report and a motion to accept the report as stated was made by Karen Brown. The motion was seconded by Dixie Joy and passed by unanimous vote.

The Membership Report was presented by President Beverly Lee. We are currently operating with 52 member households. Beverly put out an All-Call to try and attain Ambassadors for some of our streets that have no Ambassador currently. She reminded everyone that the e-newsletter goes out to the members monthly and that the next edition will call for those eligible to run for office in November to be sure they submit their nomination forms by October 31.

Block Ambassador Report was completed by Coordinator Ramona Rosales. Report included information on the restocking and care of the two blessing boxes located at the upper and lower neighborhood entrances, respectively. She stated that members of the community who have helped to restock the boxes on their own have been extremely helpful but did remind those present that we are looking for non-perishable food items, such as cans or boxes, only. We have removed some items that were placed in the boxes that were not acceptable due to the heat, such as cheeses. There has also been someone that has eaten food (canned beans) at the boxes and is leaving their trash behind, especially at the box located near the top entrance to the neighborhood. Stella has been monitoring and cleaning up that area. Ramona ended her report with a statement that if those donating didn't want to take them to the boxes directly, they could turn in their donations to Ramona Rosales, Stella McCoy, or Beverly Lee, as well.

Board Member Walt Ledbetter presented a DIY solar project that consisted of a solar panel with backup batteries, running an electricity inverter and two fans. This would help with blackouts due to heat waves especially. He offered this setup as an alternative to running a generator because he has seen too many stories of families running generators near their homes and the effects of the carbon monoxide exhaust getting back into the home

being catastrophic. He went on to demonstrate the solar lights and rechargeable bulb style lanterns being given away for the door prizes this evening, as well.

Crownwood C.O.P. Lead Stanley Smith provided information on the 9 PM Routine that the BCSO is asking all our residents to commit to. He provided handouts with the routine listed on them to those present and reminded all that keeping outdoor lights on, making sure your cars are locked, and your garage doors are closed is all a part of not only keeping your belongings safe but helps keep criminal activity down in Crownwood.

Frank Vitale called for all those interested, who have not signed up, for the "Screw-y Team" to come out and change out the short screws on their main entry doors for longer screws, to sign up in order to provide a better deterrent for would be thieves attempting to enter the home. Additionally, he let everyone know that the residents who have already signed up should be getting their service completed shortly. One additional member added their name to the list of those interested in getting their home serviced.

Advisor Damian Arocho presented the Calendar of Events:

October will see the 2024 Officer Nomination period being open from Oct. 1 through Oct. 31. The Ladies 50+ Coffee will be on Oct. 19 and hosted by Beverly Lee. The Trunk or Treat event will happen on Oct. 21 from 4 – 6 PM at the upper Serene Ridge entrance as it did last year. An all call was put out for anyone interested in participating in or volunteering to help with the Trunk or Treat event, to contact Stella McCoy. Residents were also reminded that they can get themselves added to the Crownwood Trick or Treat Safe Home list for anyone who will be giving out candy on actual Halloween Night. The list will be generated based on resident's request and posted to the www.CrownwoodSubdivision.Com site.

November's meeting will be on the 16 and will have 2024 Officer Elections happen that night as well as our Crownwood Celebrations and Silent Auction event. Anyone who has items to donate for the Silent Auction or who is interested in volunteering to help at the event was asked to contact Damian Arocho.

December's Light Up Crownwood Event will be taking place again this year and will see the participating homes being judged on Dec. 9th. Those interested in participating can add themselves to the list by filling out the form.

Door prizes were donated by various members and the tickets were drawn by member David Kennedy. Winners were able to pick their choice of prize from the table. Prizes included donations of various outdoor solar lights to be placed on the home, rechargeable LED style lights that could serve as hanging lanterns, artwork, and other items. There were 26 winners drawn.

50/50 Raffle Drawing was conducted by Advisor Damian Arocho. Residents were reminded that the total monies from the 50/50 sales are accounted for by the distributions of: 50% going to the owner of the winning ticket, and the remaining 50% being split evenly between the Benevolent Fund and the General Fund. Total monies for this meeting's drawing were \$270.00 and the winner was to be awarded \$135.00. The winning ticket, 116215 was drawn by Ramona Rosales and belonged to Emma Luna. She was in attendance and was given a check at the end of the night by President Beverly Lee.

President Beverly Lee called for the floor to be opened for questions or comments from the residents. Chuck Plass asked if the Shallow Ridge area was going to be one of the first streets to see the street reconstruction happening. Beverly confirmed that that area would be in Phase One of the project and the other areas would follow thereafter, with Serene Ridge being the last in the neighborhood.

President Beverly Lee asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Member George Wood motioned for the meeting to be adjourned, which was seconded by Marie Carr. Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 PM by President Beverly Lee.