

PCNC Board Meeting Minutes Thursday – October 10, 2024

In attendance: Max Allen (10), Mark Auchterlonie (22), Joyce Hoekstra (128), Julie Hooker (254), Tiffany LaDuke (359), Jenny Monachino (1011), Radio Bob Monachino (1011), Jennifer Morton (118), Bette Pine (122), Craig Ramsay (702), Paulette Rees-Denis (12), David Tambor (604) and Jamie Trachtenberg(129), Alisa Arnes (902)

GENERAL BUSINESS

- 1. Jennifer called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone back after an extended break.
- 2. The board voted to approve the meeting agenda.
- 3. Bette reported that the PCNC treasury currently has a balance of \$249. The only recent expense was \$22.17 to renew the MyPCNC.com domain name.
- 4. Jennifer facilitated a group discussion around the multiple Facebook groups currently used by residents. She raised concerns about confusion between the various groups and the need for residents to have one dedicated group in case of emergency. The board agreed that it's advantageous to continue with the different FB groups (with exception of PCMC Virtual Garage Sale) but stressed the need to clarify the difference between the various groups to the residents. Here's a brief description for each FB group:
 - My PCNC: The board agreed this is the official FB group for the PCNC and is moderated by PCNC board members. This group is only for individuals who currently reside in the park. This group will be the only source for posts that pertain to PCNC events and communication, including any emergency updates. (Jaime, Jennifer, Paulette, Craig & Mark to follow up on how to manage members of this group and how to communicate the differences between groups to residents.)
 - Palm Springs PCMC. The board agreed this group should be maintained as a legacy group that
 is moderated by Mark and Tia. This group is for current and former residents as well as friends
 and family members of the park who wish to stay in touch and maintain a community presence.
 Current residents will be encouraged to join the PCNC group in order to receive park updates.
 - **PCMC Virtual Garage Sale and more!** The board agreed this FB group, which is administered by a former resident, is no longer necessary. We should encourage residents to post any items that they would like to sell or give away in the My PCNC group, since that group consists of current residents.
 - PCMC Community Garden Club. The board agreed that this should remain a private closed group for all residents who are interested in participating in the community garden. It's being administered by Mark.
- 5. Jennifer suggested that we form a committee to discuss how to expand the borders of the Palm Canyon Neighborhood Organization to include the surrounding complexes that are part of a ONE-PS neighborhood. ONE-PS is available to help us figure out how to "fill in the map." (Jennifer, Max, Craig, Bette and Julie agreed to join this committee and will follow up and report back to the board.)

ONE-PS Update

Jennifer and Craig attended the October ONE-PS Meeting on Tuesday, October 8. Here are some highlights:

- After many years of construction, the **Thompson Hotel** finally opens downtown! The restaurant Lola Rose is also open.
- The Navigation Center also opened recently and provides 80 units of transitional housing. This is in addition to the Early Entry Facility that opened in February, which provides overnight housing for up to 50 individuals.



- Details about the **Palm Springs Airport Master Plan** are available here: https://palmspringsairportmasterplan.com
- October 17 at 10:17AM is **The Great ShakeOut** the largest-ever earthquake drill. Find out more info at https://www.shakeout.org/california/howtoparticipate/ and learn how you can prepare for an earthquake.
- On October 19, there will be a Shredding Event (8AM-12PM) and Bulk Item Drop Off (8AM-2PM) at the Convention Center Parking Lot https://www.palmspringsdisposal.com/special/citywide_cleanup.htm
- The **State of the City Address** will be held on October 30 at 6pm in the Annenberg Theater at the PS Art Museum. The event is free to the public. https://pschamber.org/stateofthecity2024/
- December 7 is the annual **Festival of Lights Parade**. We are waiting to hear if there are any balloons still available to wrangle. Stay tuned!

PCNC COMMITTEE REPORTS

Neighborhood Watch: Craig talked about plans for the Neighborhood Watch to regroup and to reorganize the block captain lists and to possibly create new zones. Jamie mentioned the frequency of solicitors in the park and the need to remind residents they are not allowed on the premises. Updated one-sheets can be used to remind folks what to do if they see something out of the ordinary.

Emergency Preparedness: Mark reminded the group of the importance of preparing for disasters. It was suggested that we find ways to periodically share emergency prep info and tips with residents. Mark agreed to do an inventory of the supplies in the disaster prep room to see what other supplies may need to be included.

Social & Entertainment: The social committee has a number of activities planned for the season. Next up is a Welcome Back Happy Hour on 10/17. Paulette suggested that we take a moment at each social event to welcome any new neighbors

Health & Wellness: Bette and Craig need to regroup about Health & Fitness activities. Paulette has resumed yoga on Wednesday mornings. Nancy is interested in teaching a qi gong class. Jamie suggested we also share other health info with neighbors, including COVID updates or other public health concerns.

Communications: Jennifer has been keeping the MyPCNC.com website and calendar updated. She is working with the social committee to create flyers to promote upcoming events, as well as a calendar of events for the season. Jenny mentioned the door-to-door outreach to new neighbors hasn't been very successful and suggested we find other ways to encourage people to sign up with the PCNC. In an effort to get more folks on our mailing list, we will add a sign-up sheet in the clubhouse. We will also add a sign-up sheet for name tags.

OPEN FORUM

Mark raised the idea of how the PCNC might better communicate with Andy, the park owner about resident concerns. Jamie was also interested in having discussion issues with the owner, including on ways to better secure the entrance gates. Craig reminded the group that our mission is support and uplift the community – not do the job of park management and was concerned about the parameters of communication with Andy. Jennifer emphasized that we already have the ability to form a coalition as needed around a particular issue and was concerned that the concerns of some may not be the concern of all residents. (Mark, Jamie, Tiffany and Jenny agreed to follow up to strategize how the PCNC might engage with Andy and report back to the board.)

The next PCNC meeting will be in early December. We discuss having an all-community meeting in either late January or early February that would include speakers from the city and ONE-PS.