Report ~ Green Valley Council Meeting Desert Hills Social Center January 20, 2022

The meeting began with the Presentation of Colors by the ROTC Color Guard. Pastor John Guillott, Green Valley Church, offered the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

New members of the GVC Executive Committee installed by Judge Ray Carroll, Green Valley Justice Court, Precinct 7.

The minutes from the December 16, 2021 meeting were voted on and approved. The annual financial statement of December 31, 2021 was presented and accepted. The year closed 8.5% over budget. There will be no dues increase this year.

Steve Christy, Pima County Board of Supervisors, spoke about the crisis in nursing in our area. The Regional Transportation Authority initiated multiple road and sidewalk projects that have benefitted the greater Tucson area. He is monitoring a move by the City of Tucson to increase water costs for county residents that benefit only Tucson.

Tom Berezny reported that the road repaving committee did not meet last month. The Traffic & Arroyos Committee noticed a service request to clean the median west of 1-19 on Esperanza. Green Valley Gardeners will adopt that area to keep clean. Tom offered to speak for 15 minutes at any HOA to explain the relationship between the Pima County Board of Supervisors with GV HOA's.

Chief Wunder, GV Fire Department, stated that the ambulance service will transport patients to the Emergency Room but it will not guarantee that the patient will get a room more quickly. Often the ambulance waits 2 ½ - 3 hours to drop off a patient. There were 12,500 calls in 2021, their busiest year. February is Heart Month. He encouraged people to know the symptoms of a heart attack.

SAV Commander Kenyon, Sheriff's Auxiliary Volunteers, reported that text messages have overtaken phone calls for scams. Do not respond or ask to be taken off a list. He said that the missing person in GV still had not been found despite an aggressive search using helicopters and requested that anyone with information call 911.

President's Report, Debbie Kenyon

Health and Human Services Committee is meeting now and very active, focusing on the need for support after hours for lodging, food and mental health services. They are now compiling statistics on all calls to services agencies to support a request for funding after hours services in GV.

The Green Valley Foundation secured a grant to deal with the buffel grass problem. President Kenyon stressed that the GV Foundation does not raise money for the GV Council, only for specific projects.

David McAllister Romo, the new GVC Executive director, requested community input for projects. GVC will add staff and integrate with the University of Arizona on topics and speakers.

President Kenyon noted that it is coyote mating season and they can be more aggressive.

President Kenyon provided the following references for residents resulting from the work of the following two committees.

Regional Flood Control and Arroyos contact: Dick Roberts. Tom Berezny and Dick compiled a list of arroyos/waterways which is available at the GV Council office. They will arrange speakers on preventing potential hazards at homes in Green Valley, including flood control and fires.

Traffic & Arroyos Committee and the Regional Flood Control District

Below are the links to the PC Regional Flood Control handouts on maintaining riparian habitat and the guidelines for maintaining HOA drainage ways.

Guidelines for the Maintenance of Regulated Riparian Habitat (RRH)

Drainage Maintenance Guidelines

Parks Advisory Committee

President Kenyon expressed appreciation for the GV Sheriff Auxiliary Volunteers who performed 325 pedestrian and golf cart patrols at Canoa Hill Trails Park in 2021!

Upcoming Events

January 25 at 9 AM Living with Urban Wildlife, Anza Room, Santa Rita Springs Social Center

Wed. January 26 at 10 AM - HOA Presidents Roundtable

January 31 New GVC Website Launch

February 12 Concert to support renovations at Canoa Rnch

The Friends of Canoa Parks is hosting Paul Green and Midnight Blue in concert. Saturday, March 19, 2022, 3:00-5:00 pm. Tickets are on sale beginning February 14, 2022. Proceeds go the restoration of Historic Canoa Ranch.

Next scheduled GVC meeting

February 17, 2022 – 8:30 am Desert Hills GVR Social Center

GVC V-P, Martha VanVactor has invited Matt McGlone from the Pima County Office of Emergency Management to give a presentation on the MyAlert System and other county resources applicable to emergency response.

This report respectfully submitted 2/13/22

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