

Four Hills Village Association (FHVA)

Minutes of the FHVA Board Meeting of April 15, 2024

Hybrid meeting – held at Singing Arrow Community Center & via Zoom
6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order.

President Brook Jilek opened this hybrid meeting at 6:36 p.m.

In Attendance.

Officers: Brook Jilek, Tim Gallegos, Linda Martinez, and Jennifer Lopez

Directors: Julia Vertrees, *Carmil Surritt, Steve McCampbell, *Paul Yarrington, Jerry Gallegos

Member-at-Large: None

Immediate Past President: Andrew Lipman (absent as he is recovering from surgery.)

Absent: Jimmie Wolf, James DeMay (excused, as he is getting married!), Andrew Lipman (excused)

*Denotes attendance via Zoom.

Guests: Herb Wright, who is the previous Vice President and attends to offer continuity and advice.

2. Approval of Agenda.

Brook asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Tim made a motion to approve the agenda and Steve made the second. The motion carried.

3. Approval of the Previous Month's FHVA Board Meeting Minutes.

Julia made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2024 FHVA Board Meeting. Tim seconded the motion. The minutes of this meeting were approved unanimously. They may now be posted on the Association's website at www.fhva.org.

4. Reports, as needed from Officers and Board Members

4.A. Vice President, Tim Gallegos.

4.A.1. Repair of FHVA Sign.

The repair of the FHV sign is almost complete except for the replacement of the plexiglass and rails which hold the letters.

4.A.2. Meeting Venue. The SACC has committed to host our monthly meetings for a few more months.

Tim believes increasing FHVA membership should be our top priority. We need to heavily publicize the benefits of membership.

4.A.3. Facebook Account.

Tim states that the official FHVA FB account is up and running and he stresses that we need to really use it to boost our online presence and to publicize our activities and value. He realizes that managing this account could be an entirely new Board position. Jennifer said she will visit with him within the next week to see if she can help manage it.

4.B. Treasurer, Linda Martinez

4.B.1. Account Balances. The March account balances are as follows: checking account holds \$9,950.32 and our savings account has \$8,507.59 with a total account balance of \$18,457.91. Our income and income from January 1- March 31 is as follows: income from membership was \$3,208.48, advertising was \$1,300.00 and \$52.08 earned from interest on the Money Market Account with a total income of \$4,560.56. Our expenses included \$1,024.47 for the Annual General Meeting, \$164.85 for the Annual Holiday Light Contest, \$187.43 for removal of Weebly, and the cost of \$41.97 for Mail Chimp for a total expense of \$1,418.72.

4.B.2. Money Market Account. We purchased three \$5,000.00 certificates of deposit. They will mature in August 2024 with 5% interest. Total interest earned through March 24, 2024 is \$185.67.

4.B.3. Taxes. The state taxes have been filed. She is working on getting the federal taxes filed.

4.B.4. Old CDs. Linda is wondering how we can access restricted CDs that were initiated at least 10 years ago. She will work with PNC and Herb in acquiring information regarding these funds.

4.B.5. Funds from Filming. FHVA has received \$750.00 from the latest production that happened to be filmed at Paul Yarrington's home.

4.C. Secretary, Jennifer Lopez

4.C.1. Thank you. Jennifer thanked the Board for working together to take notes during her absence last month and helping her create the official minutes for the meeting.

4.D. Membership Director, Julia Vertrees

4.D.1. Membership. We now have 248 Contributing Members and 88 Members of Record for a total of 336 members.

4.E Government Affairs, Carmil Surritt..

4.E.1. Homeless Encampment. During his daily walks Carmil noticed 2 homeless people setting up a camp in the arroyo. He called 311 and the people were given notice to vacate. After being given the required 3 hours that they are allowed to pick up their belongings and move on Carmil, and a stranger picked up all the trash left behind by the 2 homeless people. Carmil was glad to see that calling 311 was so effective and also for the assistance of a total stranger who was so willing to help clean up the mess.

4.E.2. Meeting with APD Foothills Commander Shawn Garrett. Carmil will be setting up a meeting with Commander Garrett regarding setting up traffic patrols in Four Hills Village.

4.E.3. Meeting with Former NM Representative Daymon Ely. Carmil and Herb will meet with former Representative Ely regarding a proposal he has for working with the homeless population.

4.E.4. Future City Council Meetings. Carmil will work to attend future city council meetings via Zoom.

4.F. Education & Youth Affairs Director, Jerry Gallegos

4.F.1. Business Cards. Jerry designed and purchased/donated business cards for FHVA Board members to distribute to neighbors in order to promote FHVA presence.

4.F.2. FHV Kids Summer Camp. Jerry spoke to the Director of the FHV Kids Camp and will share the information garnered with neighborhood via FHVA Chronicle and FB Account.

4.F.3. Possible Family Friendly Events. Tim suggested a joint membership drive between the Canyon Club, FHVA, and FHN. He learned that the Canyon Club is trying to increase the number of their Social Members. A joint membership drive may be beneficial to all groups. Jerry agreed that this may be a good idea and suggested a car show or pickleball tournament to support the drive. The Fourth of July may be a possible date. Herb and Jerry will work on the car show, as car shows are usually well attended by entire families.

4.G. Webmaster, Howard Kimberly

4.G.1 No report.

4.H. Open Space Director, Paul Yarrington.

4.H.1. Spring Cleanup. The Spring Cleanup is this Saturday, April 20 beginning at 9am. Meet at either the Four Hills Park or at the intersection of Four Hills Road and Winterwood. Please place this information on the FHVA website and on our FB page. Please try to join us in this effort and the last cleanup event only had 2 people show up.

4.I. Public Relations & Real Estate, James DeMay.

Absent.

4.J. Publications, Jimmie Wolf.

Absent.

4.K. Security Director, Steve McCampbell

4.K.1. APD Responses. From 19 March-14 April 2024 the following number of incidents were reported within FHV: 3 disturbing the peace, 2 motor vehicle thefts, 7 suspicious person or vehicle, and 1 traffic stop.

4.K.2. Coordinating with Singing Arrow Neighborhood Association Security Director. Steve is meeting with the SANA Security Director to address common concerns and share ideas.

4.L. Immediate Past President, Andrew Lipman.

absent

5. New Business

5.A. President's Report

5.A.1. Survey Feature of MailChimp. We now realize that MailChimp has a survey function. We will be sending out a "test survey" soon to ascertain if it can meet our needs. MailChimp is significantly less expensive than Survey Monkey.

5.A.2. Obtaining IT Service Through the City. Brook will be meeting with Councilor Renee Grout and her policy analyst, Rachel Miller to discuss the feasibility of the city providing IT services to all neighborhood associations. If they do not want to fund us, then they should provide more services. He will also visit with other neighborhood associations to see with whom they receive their IT services.

5.A.3. The Chronicle. Placing the previous edition of The Chronicle on our website can only help draw in more visitors to the website. Leaving the current edition off-site maintains the benefit of receipt of the newsletter to our Contributing Members.

5.A.4. National Night Out. Is it too early to begin planning for the National Night Out? Jerry suggested that we continue working to coordinate with the Four Hills Neighbors on this endeavor.

6. Announcements

6.A. Next meeting.

The next monthly Four Hills Village Association Board Meeting will be held on Monday, May 20, 2024, at 6:30-8:00 p.m. It will be held in the Singing Arrow Community Center, 13200 Wenonah Avenue SE, but as a hybrid meeting with the option of using Zoom for those who prefer not to attend in person. Any FHVA Member may attend the meeting, in person or by contacting the FHVA President Brook Jilek for the Zoom link. It will be publicized at the appropriate time via the FHVA website (www.fhva.org), FHVA Newsletter, the FHVA Facebook page, and on FHV Nextdoor.

7. Adjournment

Tim Gallegos made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Julia seconded it and the motion passed unanimously. President Brook Jilek adjourned the meeting at 7:58 p.m.

