

Call to order: The meeting was called to order on January 15th , 2025 at 5:11 PM at the Surprise Senior Center located at 15832 N. Hollyhock Street, Surprise, AZ. 85378.

Attendance: Sherry Aguilar, Rachel Villanueva, Elio Lemus, Priscilla Duenaz, Jennifer Aguilar, Sylvia Rivera, Elodia Fernandez, Nancy Sagasta. Christina Ramirez was absent.

Others in attendance: Tim Williams, Ruben Dominguez, Jr. Council Member John Melton, SGT. Galaz and Lord Garcillano HSCV.

Agenda Item #1: Jennifer Aguilar approved the motion, and Elodia Fernandez seconded the motion approving the December 4, 2024 Meeting Minutes.

Agenda Item #2: Jennifer Aguilar approved the motion and Elodia Fernandez seconded the motion to remove Rosa Gonzalez from the committee due to moving out of the area. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #3: Sherry Aguilar nominated Ruben Dominguez, Jr. and Tim William to join the OTS Stakeholders' Committee, Priscilla Duenaz approved the motion and Elio Lemus seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #4: Council Member Johnny Melton was inquiring to see if the committee finds benefit in the monthly district newsletter.

SGT. Galaz provided an update for the Movie Night that will be held within the OTS. For 200 – 499 individuals attending the most expensive movie will be cost \$850.00. Priscilla made a recommendation of setting up the 16-foot screen at the park on day and this will make the determination if a 20-foot screen will need to be purchased. SGT. Galaz was inquiring to see if the original townsite would be interested in a "Cruising" event. The committee seemed to be interested and would like to move forward on the "Cruising in Surprise" event.

Lord shared the Dansion Construction will be donating \$3,000. Sherry Aguilar provided a date to Lord of the first week in March will be the deadline for sponsorships deadlines. Lord was inquiring to see if the committee had any updates on the parade routes.

Agenda Item #5: Priscilla Duenaz provide a treasure's report and the committee's balance is \$13,345,80.

Agenda Item #6: Founder's Day Budget - This is set to be tabled to the next committee meeting

Agenda Item #7:

Food Vendor Committee: Jennifer Aguilar shared an update on the food/nonfood vendors.

Parade Committee: Syliva Rivera provided an update with the parade, and she mentioned to the committee to send all interested individuals her way.

Games Committee: Priscilla provided an update on the games; she has submitted for another grant. The teens at the DCC want to help families by providing them a “care package” which will consist of can food, pet food, toilet paper, and soaps. Priscilla also mentioned that there was no interest in the “Talent Show”.

T-Shirt Update: Elio Lemus provided an update on t-shirts to the committee.

Next Meeting: Sherry made the recommendations to meet on a biweekly interval and the committee agreed. The next meeting will be January 29 th , 2025 at the Senior Center Café.

New Agenda Items:

Original Townsite Stakeholders’ Committee

- Identify dates for both events “Cruising in Surprise” and the Movie event.
- Identify a budget for the 2025 Founder’s Day Event
- T-shirts Discussion
- Basketball tournament


The meeting was adjourned at 6:27 PM on January 15th , 2025



Sherry Aguilar, Chair

Surprise Original Townsite

Stakeholders Committee



Elio Lemus, Secretary

Surprise Original Townsite

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