



## RillitoBend Neighborhood Board Meeting

18 February 2023 || 3pm - 4pm

ZOOM

### Attendance:

- Lindy Brigham (President)
- Terry DeCarolis (Treasurer)
- Catlow Shipek (Secretary)
- Estelle Stern-Eilers (Enhancement Committee)
- Vicky Strome (Blog Committee)
- Stephen Brigham (Advisor)
- Sue Breems (Zocalet Committee) & David Tiers
- Sue (Social Committee) and Murray (Advisor) DeArmond
- Linda Turner (RNAG)
- Mike Shaw (Advisor)
- Wallace Kinkade (Advisor)
- Thomas Willard (Rancho Morado)
- Elyse April (Prince Road)
- Jennifer Shopland (Friends of Rio Vista)
- Rob Seaman (Tamarisk)

### Meeting Notes:

1. Welcome, introductions
  - a. Round of introductions
  - b. Melanie Campbell-Carter, not present, has also agreed to be an advisor
  - c. Lindy - We will be updating list of advisors for 2023, coming soon
2. Review of neighborhood priorities (Lindy)
  - a. Implementation of Rio Vista Natural Resource Park Master Plan
  - b. Zocolet #1 implementation
  - c. Board & Volunteer Recruitment
3. Committee Reports
  - a. Treasurer's Report
    - i. Starting Balance (Nov 2022): \$2413.00
    - ii. Income: \$60 (selling cards)
    - iii. Expenses:
      1. \$2 monthly fees
      2. \$100 donation to VOM
      3. \$66 for neighbor assistance
      4. Annual Zoom subscrip
    - iv. Balance: \$2151.10
    - v. Discussion: Future consideration to go digital to save \$2 monthly statement fee - to be considered
  - b. RNAG – updates on park planning (Linda)
    - i. Parks Project Manager, Tom Fisher, is contracting with groups to implement enhancements
    - ii. May have opportunity to work with/alongside to get work done

- c. Road projects (safety and enhancements)
  - i. Prince Rd
    - 1. Elyse has shared some ideas with Larry
    - 2. Request for sidewalks
  - ii. HAWK updates
    - 1. Expressed concerns with turn radius for vehicles is too narrow; City will remedy by shifting double yellow line over.
    - 2. City knows of our plans for Zocalet on North/East corner.
  - iii. Country Club Rd
    - 1. Annie Reed /Riverview Condos (Pima Park Association), emailed Catlow, Dec 31; erect a cross sign with solar blinking lights at Allen and CC to make motorists aware of crossers and to slow down
    - 2. NW corner of Allen/CC - may need to trim shrub to help with sight visibility triangle (Thomas Willard); Follow up with John Kovacik
    - 3. Consider speed tables/humps? (Elyse)
  - iv. Allen Rd.
    - 1. Matthew is working with Meadowview HOA to design and install trellis along the wall where vines are growing
    - 2. NE corner of Allen/Cactus safety issue; inadequate visibility and poor drainage makes it unsafe for pedestrians; Estelle addressed major vegetation concerns; still some concern; Next steps:
      - a. RillitoBend to take care of vegetation – Estelle will work with board about estimated cost to address
      - b. Request COT to address drainage – submit work order
    - 3. Potholes and drainage general concerns
    - 4. Shannon Apts - required to have a screening
  - v. Cactus
    - 1. At Rancho Morado entrance, a mesquite tree limb needs to be pruned – Tom Willard will inform Camille
    - 2. Zocalet #1 @ HAWK Location
      - a. May have enough sandstone to pave zocalet area
      - b. Unsure of budget for construction of area
      - c. Considering bench seating using plastic blocks - can stucco over if needed
      - d. Will need to terrace slope to handle grade difference
      - e. Schedule neighborhood work day?
- d. Neighborhood Security - John O'Hare is working on this
- e. Enhancements (Estelles)
  - i. Cactus/Allen Corner - working on this in about 2 weeks
  - ii. Request for Rancho Morado to help with weeding and watering adjacent to Cactus
- f. Social Committee (Sue)

- i. Next Social tentatively scheduled for Sat, April 30th @ 5pm @ Hitching Post Ranch; coordinating with Rich
    - 1. Fundraising: sell cards at event; Donation jar
    - 2. Info table about Zocolet plaza
    - 3. Focus: neighbors to get to know neighbors
  - ii. “Get to Know Your Neighbors” effort - social committee to help implement topical conversations of local neighbors to share/discuss; a few ideas:
    - 1. Hawk Talks with Mike Shaw
    - 2. Citizen Science with Trica
    - 3. Saguaros with Larry Bird
    - 4. Astronomy Night
    - 5. Valley of the Moon Anniversary Talk
    - 6. Murals/Art
    - 7. Vicky – Children’s Book
    - 8. Paul Smith Astronomy Night
    - 9. Melanie – new book
    - 10. Josh Friedman – new book on health
    - 11. Bill Doelle – Archaeology Southwest
    - 12. Rillito River Muralists discuss loop mural
    - 13. Catlow – Watershed management tips
    - 14. New vet in Rancho Morado – new UA vet school
    - 15. Golda Velez – building community projects
4. Fundraising
- a. Elyse is interested in being on Fundraising/Social Committee; Improvising Your Life Fundraiser opportunity; please call me at 928-710-5983
5. Developing Neighborhood Leadership (Sue)
- a. New Neighbor Packet (Vicky) – develop and share with new neighbors?
    - i. Include history of neighborhood with welcome package?
  - b. Activities with children to draw families? (Elyse)
  - c. All invite one person to engage in board (Sue)
6. Request to write up letter to recognize Paul Durham as a neighbor (Estelle)
- a. Share on website, email list, and Ward 3
7. Mid-year Neighborhood meeting - May 13, more details coming soon