# PANTHER CREEK VILLAGE ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 8, 2022

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting was called to order by Matthew Barnes at 7:01 PM

## **ATTENDANCE**

(Y = in attendance, N = not in attendance, \* = board was notified in advance regarding attendance)

Board Member	Title	Sep '22	Aug '22	Jul '22
A Positions (elected in odd years)				
Barnes, Matthew (President)	President	Υ	Υ	Υ
Kowalski, Kevin (Secretary)	Secretary	Υ	Υ	N
Ellis, Michael	Area Rep	Υ	Υ	Υ
Lockwood, Dewey	Area Rep	Υ	Υ	N
Leavitt, Brian	Area Rep	N*	Υ	Υ
Gebolys, Paul	Area Rep	N	N	Υ
Lisiewski, Walter	Area Rep	N*	Υ	Υ
Lochridge, Gene	Area Rep	Υ	Υ	Υ
open				
B Positions (elected in even years)				
Fernholz, Alyssa	Area Rep	N	Υ	N
Blackman, Jennifer	Area Rep	Υ	Υ	Υ
Freeman, Drew (Treasurer)	Treasurer	Υ	Υ	Υ
Powell, Cynthia	Area Rep	Υ	N	Υ
Reyna, Tina	Area Rep	Υ	Υ	N
Reynolds, Mindy	Vice President	Υ	Υ	N
open				
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Non-voting Members				
Ison, Everett	Past President	N	N	Υ

## MCSD LAW ENFORCEMENT REPORT

Report provided by Specialist Carlos Tavarez:

Stat	Sep '22	Aug '22	Jul '22	Jun ' 22	Apr '22	Mar '22
DWIs	4	3		1	7	1
PI	0	1		0	2	1
Narcotics arrests	1	6		3	3	8

Burglaries of vehicles	0	4	1	1	3	0
Burglaries of habitations	0	0	2	0	0	0
Burglaries of buildings	0	0	0	0	1	1
Criminal mischiefs	6	3		1	1	2
Vehicle crashes	9	7	9	11	12	15
Traffic stops	402	248	368	395	427	382
Vacation watches	109	509	423	258	168	140
Directive area patrols	208	223		288	280	214
Total calls for service	1,020	1,307	1,335	1,289	1,218	1114
Suspicious persons	26	27	17	23	24	21
Suspicious vehicles	14	10	12	14	16	8
Welfare Checks	35	44	27	42	36	47

## Other comments:

- Specialist Tavarez called attention to:
  - the Autism Awareness Initiative was promoted for awareness
  - the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office app
  - the 9PM Routine; details can be found on the app
  - new scams that appear to come from banks with links
  - the Neighborhood Watch and National Night Out Safety Expo
  - September is emergency preparedness month
- Specialist Tavarez also shared a video that he made commemorating September 11

## RESIDENT & PUBLIC COMMENT

None

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## **TOWNSHIP DIRECTORS (insert name, as applicable)**

N/A

## **SECRETARY**

- It was suggested that we discuss (in a forthcoming meeting) how to formalize in the by-laws the practice of adding \*s to the attendance table.
- Gene made a motion to approve, it was seconded by Drew and all approved.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

- Michael made a motion to approve, seconded by Dewey, and all approved.

#### **VILLAGE LIAISON**

Erin Redman (sp?) filled in for Amy and highlighted some key upcoming events, including:

- Boots vs. Badges softball game on September 17

- National Night Out on October 2
- Safety Expo is October 15 at Northshore Park

#### PARKS AND RECREATION

- The next meeting will be next week.

#### **LAW ENFORCEMENT**

- None

#### MUD

- None

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

- Mindy has been working with someone who is familiar with how the high schools are organized so that our outreach can be improved with counselors and others at the schools positioned to help inform students about the scholarship.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

- Highlights regarding Website activity were shared by Jennifer:
  - o The website had 118 unique visitors in the past month
  - Have had a few contacts through the website
  - o A link on a real estate agent's website led one visitor to our site
  - o The business list has been started and a work in progress list is on the site
- Regarding the newsletter, Matthew shared that it is being opened by 60% of recipients.

## **BY-LAW Committee**

- The 2017 by laws are the currently approved version.
- The 2019 version was only updated with minor changes and, though approved, were not made official
- Topics for potential updates will be addressed in a series over tonight's and the next couple (estimated) of meetings.
- Topics discussed included:
  - A proposal was made to adjust our fiscal year to align with the calendar year
  - Most of the other villages only allow residents to be counted as members; our current by laws allow individuals who own property in Panther Creek (but don't reside in Panther Creek) to also be counted. It was suggested that we limit membership to residents.
  - Area representatives versus directors; the distinction between the two terms can be hard to understand. It was suggested that we unify the usage of the terminology, and there was agreement around clarifying that "area representatives" are elected and once seated they officially become part of the "board of directors"
  - Notices for meetings Currently the requirement is to have the notice for the membership meeting in March in the newspaper. There was discussion about alternative language that could include or limit it to digital means. It was agreed that updated language would be drafted for consideration.

#### **PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS**

- The presidents of all the villages convene quarterly (targeted).

- A lot of villages are having issues right now getting a quorum. Currently, the 3 unexcused absence rule is only used/enforced by Indian Springs and Alden Bridge.
- There was a recent suggestion (from the Cochran's Crossing president) that there be a gathering for all of the village association boards, potentially sometime in January. There was agreement that this was an idea worth pursuing.
- The October 13th meeting will be at the Kroger in Sterling Ridge, starting at 6pm. The regular meeting will be conducted briefly, and time will then be allotted for candidates.
- At the November meeting, our guest speaker will spend ~15 minutes to discuss law enforcement related topics.
- November 12th is the 3R Bizarre and the board needs to provide 2 volunteers. The event is at The Woodlands High School from 8am 1pm.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

#### **Movie Night**

- The quotes from vendors are still coming in and being screened. One vendor had pricing that started at \$900 and went up. Another vendor based in Panther Creek provided a quote with much more competitive pricing.
- We were asked to screen Cruella by a local dance organization
- The Cub Scouts have also reached out expressing interest in having a table.
- H-E-B has donated a gift card for buying snacks for the event.
- There was discussion about what movie to show; suggestions included Cruella, Coco, Monster's Inc, E.T.. There was consensus around Coco.

#### Flea Market

- It will be December 3 from 7-10am.
- We won't have traffic control, so we are going to have vendors queue up in Market Street before setting up in the parking garage.

## **Committee Communication**

- The responses to the survey were 100% in favor of using a Google Workspace.
- The official document saying we are a non-governmental non-profit organization is needed to set it up so that everyone can have an email account or alias.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

- On September 22, Howard Hughes has an event on the terrace at their building (the old Anadarko building) from 4:30 - 6:30pm; anyone can come; candidates for positions in the Township will be in attendance.

## ROUNDTABLE & ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:34 PM

Minutes submitted by Kevin Kowalski, Panther Creek Village Association.