

EMIGRATION CANYON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes for April 14, 2019

Virtual Meeting Via Zoom due to COVID-19 State of Emergency

Members Present: Bill Tobey, Chair; Dan Anderson, Vice Chair; Paul Brown, Treasurer; Kate Miyagi, Secretary; Steve Borst; Tyler Tippetts; Stephanie Harpst; Claire Clark; Michael Jimenez; Matt Velinder

Members Excused/Absent:

Also present: Detective Elsasser, UPD; Rin Harris, EC Metro Twp Council; community members: Matt Hobson-Rohrer, Peggy Quinlivan, Bob MacFarlane

7:00 PM STAFF MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Bill Tobey, chair. A quorum was present.

Minutes

March's minutes were distributed prior to the meeting. Tyler had submitted grammatical edits prior to the meeting. Paul moved to approve the minutes with that correction; Dan seconded. All voted in favor.

Treasurer's Report & Budget Discussion

Paul gave the treasurer's report.

Jake Elsasser, UPD

Detective Elsasser gave the UPD report. There was a residential burglary; DNA has been submitted to the state crime lab. A driver was cited for marijuana possession and for an open container. Larceny of package in Pinecrest. Two separate calls on shots fired. Crime reports expected to increase with the summer season.

UFA Report

Captain Conn was not able to attend but provided a report that was distributed prior to the meeting. Bill read highlights from that report. With changes at UFA and d/t COVID-19 we might not be able to organize a chipping event this spring.

EC Metro Township Council - Joe Smolka

Mayor Smolka was unable to attend; Rin Harris gave a brief update about the Metro Township Council's communications with the county and state regarding COVID-19 preparations.

Claire asked if we can create an organized way of checking on neighbors who may need assistance. Tyler stated that this is the goal of CERT but it has not gotten off the ground. Steve stated that our role as a council could initially be to identify individuals who are alone or at risk. Bill proposed that we start a list; send names and any contact information we can collect to Bill in an email of neighbors that you are aware of. In our next outbound communication, we'll repeat our outreach from our last newsletter.

Rin also said that Metro Twp Council is anticipating a 30-35% drop in revenues from sales taxes.

Community Comment period

- Matt Hobson-Rohrer expressed concern about the traffic on the road and speeding. He is aware of two cars off the road and is concerned about speeding. He says he plans to bring the issue up with the Twp Council as well. Detective Elsasser says their minimum staffing is 4 officers to cover every canyon so there isn't much room to increase officer presence in EC.
- Bob MacFarlane expressed concern about the noise ordinance being violated.

Canyon Clean-Up

- Matt Velinder talked about plans for an informal canyon cleanup where we encourage canyon residents to pick up trash on their own, rather than doing it as a group, to allow for social distancing. We'll keep the May 16th date for a loosely organized canyon clean-up. Jake said we could put up signs at the top and bottom of the canyon to ask drivers to watch for walkers.

Restroom Siting Process Update

Bill said that last meeting we discussed a request from Mayor Smolka for a list of potential restroom sites; ECCC put together a list and sent it to the Mayor about two weeks ago. Rin said Metro Twp Council would narrow it down to four sites.

Next Metro Twp Council meeting will be held at the usual time virtually.

Other Business

Motion to adjourn at 8:28 PM. Next meeting to be held May 12th.