RCNA Meeting Minutes April 1, 2021

Zoom Meeting due to COVID Meeting time: 7:00 – 8:30pm

Start time: 7:04 pm

Members in attendance:

Board Members: Alisa Ludlum, Christine Newman, Deana Tollerton

Residents: Rachel Beaulieu, Diana Christiano, Velisia Escobar, Cathleen Gail, Brian Kerman, Jeffrey

Russom, Jen Blanks Seibel, Inez Vanderburg

- I. President's Welcome
- II. Open Floor/Guest Comments
- III. Review and Accept March meeting minutes approved.
- IV. Treasurer's Report (Deana) attached below.
- V. Membership Report (Alisa)
 - a. 25 payments in March (many are renewals), 83 total.
 - i. Compare to 146 by the end of 2020 and 163 by the end of 2019.
 - b. We have 2 people who accidentally set up a recurring payment twice in a year. Alisa will contact them to see if they want a refund or for us to keep as a donation.
 - c. Christine will talk to Marc about adding a line on the pool form to include email contact for RCNA signups.

VI. MUD report

- a. Sidewalk project starting next week.
- b. Depending on local COVID numbers, facilities are likely to be opened at the next MUD board meeting.

VII. Website report (Jeff)

- a. Jeff has posted event updates and done routine software updates.
- b. There are multiple options available for creating logins for members, and for accepting payments thru the website instead of PayPal.
 - i. Most cost a few hundred dollars a year, it would be worth it for payment and membership to be integrated into the website.

VIII. Events

- a. July 4th parade update
 - i. Christine talking to fire chief, constables, and neighborhood groups.
 - ii. We could do a car decorating contest, maybe get gift cards donated from local business, ribbons and/or certificates as a prize.
- b. Rattan Fest discussion With current COVID outlook September seems doable for this event given that Rattan Fest is outdoor and spaced out.

- i. Folks might like to have a cook off event as part of Rattan Fest.
- ii. Currently food trucks are not allowed at the Community Center parking lot, but that may change before September. We will need to solidify options with the MUD.
- c. Garage sale is set for April 10th Kristi putting signs up on Monday, Christine has ads in Statesman and Craigslist, Alisa will post to NextDoor.
 - i. We'd like to explore making the Garage Sale more of an event in the future, with MUD approval. Perhaps a flea market in the Community Center parking lot for folks who don't have enough items to have their own standalone sale.
- d. We may add back contests such as best dressed pet to the Easter event.

IX. Scholarships

- a. Last year we did 3 \$500 scholarships, we will probably do this again this year with better promotion.
- b. We will open applications around May 1st. The essay length may be shortened and the format more inclusive to reflect current scholarship application trends. We can allow students to submit their essay in written, video, audio, photo, etc. format.
- c. Need to get the application link on the website highlighted so it's more noticeable.

X. Friends of the RCNA discussion

- a. This would be a form of participation for folks who live outside of the district but want to volunteer and support events.
 - They would get the newsletter and come to open events, be able to speak at meetings, but would not get a vote nor attend members-only events such as the pool party.
 - ii. This would be a "donation", but not a true membership class. \$20.

XI. Newsletter update

- a. Initial issue will be public to help boost membership, then future editions will be a member perk.
- b. Velisia has an email list set up thru Mail Chimp that will have the highlights, and then you click to see the full version of the e-newsletter on the website.
- c. President's Corner, MUD updates, homeowner tips, gardening section, parenting advice articles, etc. are some of the planned articles.
- d. Future expansion ideas include scavenger hunt, puzzles, virtual time capsule (old editions), local school events, teen classifieds, scouts awards, pieces from our neighbors who work with unhoused folks living near our neighborhood, pet topics, and articles written by neighborhood youth. (Thanks Inez for great ideas!)
- e. Chris is working with Jeff to look into a private members only section of the RCNA website for the full newsletter and other members-only topics such as voting.
- f. The MUD related content needs to be cleared with the MUD Board.

XII. Volunteer recruitment

- a. Residence Resource Team, Events Committee, Communications, Events photographers, Membership
 - i. Residence Resource Team we plan to have a library of info on the website as well as a specific email address for questions from residents.

- b. We can post a physical flyer at the community center bulletin board, or inside the community center once it's open. Christine will talk to Marc.
- II. Wrap Up
 - a. New items for May agenda?

Meeting ended at 8:37 pm

	TREASURER'S REPORT	
	Rattan Creek Neighborhood Association	
	March 1 - March 31, 2021	T
	CHECKING ACCOUNT	
04/01/2021	BALANCE ON HAND	\$ 5,680.88
INCOME		
	DEP: Stripe Dues	\$ 23.59
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4/17/2021	DEP: Dues (Muiks, Angell, Kelly, Hawkins, Nilson)	\$ 200.00
		\$ -
TOTAL INCOME		\$ 247.18
EXPENSES		
Ck #1255	Hurricanes Swim Team, sponsorship	\$ (500.00)
Ck #1257	Deana Tollerton, reimb. for snacks & twine for branch cleanup	
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ (500.00)
04/30/2021	BALANCE ON HAND	\$ 5,428.06
	SAVINGS ACCOUNT	
04/01/2021	BALANCE ON HAND	\$ 275.91
Deposits		\$ -
Withdrawals		\$ -
04/30/2021	BALANCE ON HAND	\$ 275.91
	Available Balance	\$ 270.91
	PETTY CASH	
04/01/2021	BALANCE ON HAND	\$ 102.00

Intake	\$-
Disbursements	\$-
04/30/2021 BALANCE ON HAND	\$ 102.00