

# GENERAL MEETING MINUTES OF THE LPGRA

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DATE: July 1, 2021

LOCATION: LAS PALMAS GRAND (LPG) BALLROOM

TIME: 9:30 AM

President, Margaret Jacoby called the meeting to order welcoming all residents in attendance at the Ballroom and Clubhouse and requested that everyone stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The meeting was live-streamed to the LPG Community with 7 residents viewing and 34 in attendance at the ballroom.

## MINUTES:

June 3, 2021 minutes - A motion was made to accept the minutes as distributed, seconded and adopted by all present.

## INTRODUCTION OF BOARD OFFICERS:

Margaret Jacoby introduced each board member and stated their position.

President Margaret Jacoby

1<sup>st</sup> VP Peg Marcone

2<sup>nd</sup> VP Sue Smith ABSENT

Secretary Pam Williams

Treasurer Walt Smiles ABSENT

TREASURE'S REPORT: Margaret Jacoby reported the balance as of June 3, 2021, \$756.97 a payment of \$120.00 for door prizes and website updates. 50/50 collected 5/6 and 6/3=\$24.50, proceeds from can recycling \$50.20 The current balance as of July 1, 2021 \$711.97.

A motion was made to accept the report, seconded and adopted by all present.

## OLD BUSINESS: Committee Reports

### NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH: Sally York

Sally York the volunteer coordinator of LPG reported it has been a slow start with much help from Dawn Blake of Mesa Police Department, and George Griffin and Ellen Tryon from Las Palmas. Sally still needs more volunteers for the 44-47 sections she is setting up with 4-15 houses per section, if you are interested, please contact her at [LPGNWP2@gmail.com](mailto:LPGNWP2@gmail.com). LP will be taking the lead on street captains forms then LPG will implement. Thesman management has agreed to furnish LPGNWP with vests, which are on order and will be here this summer.

BE A NOSY NEIGHBOR. Get to know neighbors and watch their homes when they are away. If you see anyone or anything suspicious call the Mesa Police (PD) non-emergency number at 480 644-2211. Residents can track incidents in the neighborhood through [www.spotcrime.com](http://www.spotcrime.com) and look for 2500 block of S. Ellsworth Rd.

The Neighborhood Watch education meeting was held on June 10<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-3:00 PM at LPG with sixty plus attending. Dawn Blake, from Mesa PD and George Griffin from LP did the training of street leaders/ block leaders from LPG and LP and was video. Sally and Larry Smith will be editing the videos to post on the website page. LP will be having another training session on July 13<sup>th</sup>, if anyone just wants information you are welcome to attend, you don't have to be a street captain. This is very important especially with the summer months upon us. Many of the winter residents have returned home, everyone must watch out for these vacant homes.

LP has been using the Care Takers form and found it very useful. LPG is working with Thesman management to be able to use. Sally has asked for a vacancy list so the care takers may contact the owners directly with a problem instead having to go through the office.

Sally, mentioned the latest scam that is going around. It is "Call Ghosting" scammers are using reputable names and phone numbers. Don't give out any important personal information to anyone over the phone that you don't know. If unsure call the company back, DON'T USE the phone number listed in the email, or voice mail.

Sally stated the main goals of the Neighborhood Watch is to have more community awareness, look out for other residents and their property and to help keep everyone safe.

Margaret thanked Sally for all the wonderful hard work she is doing to get Neighborhood Watch up and running.

NEWSLETTER: Peggy gave the following updates. Sue Smith is the new editor. This is our (residents) newsletter, it is a great opportunity for us to get to know each other. If you have anything to include in the *LPGRAObserver* please send articles, recipes, recent vacations, grandkids graduations to [lpgraBoard@gmail.com](mailto:lpgraBoard@gmail.com).

If you would like to be added to the mailing list, please email your information to [lpgraBoard@gmail.com](mailto:lpgraBoard@gmail.com). You must request to be added, your information cannot be taken from the resident book.

The deadline for submitting ideas is August 1<sup>st</sup> for the August 15<sup>th</sup> newsletter, it will be posted on the website and e-mailed to the LPGRA Email list.

Margaret let everyone know the forms for submitting articles are on the front table at all general meetings and posted on the website [lpgra.org](http://lpgra.org).

RECYCLING: Margaret stated we have a clean and rinsed aluminum cans only program up and running. Thesman management gave approval and has been very supportive with a 90-day trial which will be over soon. Margaret will be asking management on Thursday, July 8<sup>th</sup>, if Alan may continue with the aluminum cans program and move into his next proposed phase of clear plastic beverage bottles. Margaret thanked Alan and his volunteers for all their work.

Alan Smith coordinator gave his report, he has two assistant volunteers Dan Shanahan, Tom Carr and has identified another person to help. Alan has placed four blue barrels with instructions in the green waste/dumpster area. Alan is picking up the cans getting a bag every few days. There has been great response, and Alan is extremely pleased. So far Alan has taken 153 lbs of cans for recycling, with proceeds of approximately \$125.00. He has only found a few non-aluminum types. Collection is ONLY CLEAN ALUMINUM CANS at this time. Alan's next goal is to move into recycling clear plastic beverage bottles.

Alan will be working with Nancy from Activities about collecting cans in the ballroom and kitchen areas, she is willing to donate the cans collected to the Board.

OPEN ITEMS LIST: Updates from Margaret, meeting of the Board with Thesman Management on June 10<sup>th</sup>.

LEASES 2021: Update from Margaret, Michael Thesman is reviewing. The Board will ask for more clarity on Thursday, July 8<sup>th</sup>. Margaret will keep on top of this.

Reminder that there is an additional charge for a person living in home that is not on the lease.

RECYCLING: Thesman Management has given Alan Smith a trial period for the recycling. Margaret will be requesting that the Board continue the program since the trial period is over and begin the next phase of clear plastic beverage bottles.

DOGS: Please be a responsible and considerate pet owner pick up after your pet. If your dog is out of your house, it must be on a LEASH AT ALL TIMES, except in the dog park enclosed area.

DOG PARK WATERING SCHEDULE: CLOSED This concern was addressed before it was presented to management.

Ongoing issues of dogs in the mail room and around clubhouse areas. Dogs are NOT ALLOWED in these areas.

POLLARD GATE: CLOSED It was noted that the delay in repairs is due to interruption of the supply chain and difficulty getting parts in a timely manner.

FOUNTAIN IN FRONT OF CLUBHOUSE: Parts are on order. It was noted that the delay in repairs is due to interruption of the supply chain and difficulty getting parts in a timely manner.

POOL: Cameras are installed so this area can be monitored. The management stated if there is a problem call the office or guard shack and ask them to "please check the pool video" they will take care of it.

OVERGROWN SHRUBS: CLOSED Overgrown shrubs on corners block traffic flow – specifically 11<sup>th</sup> & Desert Forest and 11<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>. If residents see a problem, please fill out the concern forms and give to the Board.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH SIGN REPLACEMENT: The new replacement signs will be installed when they are received from the Mesa Police Department.

NAMES RELEASED BY BOARD OR OFFICE: CLOSED No names are released by the Board to the office, unless it is a house specific incident. The office does not release the names if a neighbor files a complaint.

NEW BUSINESS: Guest Speaker Dennis Headings, Storm Damage Specialists (Note that SDS is the only contractor endorsed by AAMHO).

Dennis Headings from Storm Damage Specialists explained their company services of identifying storm damages to the roofs of residents' homes and help getting it paid for by the resident's homeowner's insurance. Dennis explained the difference between a Replacement Policy and Cash Value Policy type of insurance. Dennis will do a free roof inspection to see if residents qualify for a new roof for the price of their deductible. He will also review and go over their insurance policy to make sure they have proper coverage. Please call or talk to Dennis and he will gladly set up an appointment with you.

RESIDENT QUESTIONS/COMMENT: Please fill out any concerns, complaints or complements form and return to any Board member, email to [lpgraboard@gmail.com](mailto:lpgraboard@gmail.com), or mail to LPGRA Board at 2550 S. Ellsworth Rd. #666, Mesa, AZ 85209. Complaints need to be in WRITING, verbally doesn't work. Resident's names are not shared with Thesman management. The forms are also posted on the LPGRA website [lpgra.org](http://lpgra.org).

#### QUESTIONS:

Stan Rocklin is very concerned about the run off/waste from Thesman's watering schedule. There is a considerable amount of water being wasted daily. Arizona is in a drought he is hoping that Thesman's will adjust the schedules to reduce the waste of water.

Nancy McNeil would like to know exactly what the guards do on their rounds? What are the guards looking for? What are visitors or delivery people (Door Dash) supposed to do if the guards are not in the shack when they arrive?

Martin Jacoby wanted residents to remind contractors to use the front gate and get a map. He stated that his contractor was just waved through and got lost, the contractor had to call Martin to come and show him to his home.

Bud Rolley wanted to remind residents that the parking spaces are designed wide enough to park two golf cars side by side. Left-side parks wheels on white line, the right-side parks wheels on white line will hold two cars at a time. When parking in front of the clubhouse please make sure to have both front tires touching the curb, this allows for more cars. Parking spaces are limited for persons, whose mobility is limited.

When using GPS maps make sure to put 2550 S. Ellsworth Rd otherwise you will be directed to the Guadalupe gate.

Robo calls are now illegal, please report to the FCC on their website using as much information as you can provide.

Loni Synkowski #626 on 12<sup>th</sup> Street was concerned about the "poor quality" of paving that has been done in the community. On June 30<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 AM, she backed into her driveway and had black top/asphalt marks from her tires. She has noticed many blotchy patches on the street. She notified the office and felt that she did not receive an adequate response.

NEXT MEETING: The next Resident Association Meeting will be held August 5, 2021, at 9:30 AM, to be lived streamed and with residents in attendance at the ballroom. Margaret hopes to see more residents in attendance next month as the ballroom is now open.

The drawing for the 50/50 was held for \$15.00 awarded to Cheryl Jorban. The drawing for one door prize was held.

Margaret thanked Larry Smith and his crew for the video for You-Tube.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Since no further business/questions a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 AM.

Respectfully submitted:

Pam Williams, Secretary