

General Meeting Minutes of LPGRA
July 11, 2024

A. Meeting was called to order at 9:30 by President Peggy Marcone in the Card Room

a. Sale of raffle tickets was announced
b. Blood pressures would not be available today or in the future as Debbie Oriti is now working and won't be at the meetings

c. Pledge of Allegiance was recited

d. Introduction of the board

1. Sue Smith, First Vice President, Interim Secretary
2. Donna Provost, Interim 2nd Vice President
3. Cheryl Jorban, Treasurer.
4. 21 residents in attendance

B. Minutes: Peggy asked if there were any questions or concerns about the minutes of the June meeting and hearing none, there was a motion and second to accept them as written. Carried.

C. TREASURER'S REPORT -

June Monthly Report

Beginning Balance: \$1,983.38

Deposits: \$ 20.00 June 50/50

127.20 Recycling: 84 lbs alum 200 lbs plastic
\$147.20

Expenses : \$ 80.00 Webmaster

105.85 Donuts for June general meeting

31.06 Coffee and creamer
\$216.91

End of Month Balance: \$1913.67

Peggy asked for any questions and one resident mentioned that Bashas donuts are very good and cheaper. Buy 1 dozen and get 6 free. 4 dozen donuts is about \$30; less than Donut Worry Donuts. There was a motion and second to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried

D. LPGRA OBSERVER – Sue Smith, Editor Sue announced that the theme of the August newsletter is: what people do in their spare time; hobbies people may have to fill their time. She encouraged people to send her what they do while they are retired.

E. LOGO CONTEST - Cheryl Jorban showed the logo that was approved at June's meeting and stated a white mug with black lettering was \$222.69 for 72 (the least amount one can purchase), or, \$3.15 per mug. A cobalt blue with white lettering for 72 was \$306.12 or \$4.25 per mug. A hand count was done on whether to buy white or cobalt blue mugs and it was an overwhelming vote for the cobalt blue. Discussion was held on how much to charge for each mug and a motion was moved to sell the mugs at \$10 for 1 or \$16.00 for 2. The motion was later amended to 1 for \$10.00 and 2 for \$15.00. Motion carried.

F. OPEN ITEMS LIST - Peggy Marcone

a. Feeding wildlife. It is a law in the City of Mesa that no one should be feeding any wildlife except birds. HOWEVER, the feeders for squirrels and birds must have a tray under the actual feeder part to catch all the seed and keep it from falling on the ground. Management is reviewing the Rules & Regulations for all Thesman Communities to make sure they are in compliance. Hummingbird feeders are the only feeders allowed. Squirrels - Do **NOT** feed them. There are rock squirrels in the community now. They are very offended by the smell of peppermint. NOT the CANDY kind of peppermint. You can buy peppermint oil and use it to discourage them from burrowing in your yard. Please, if you see a neighbor feeding the animals, report it to the Office. They WILL take care of it. They need the address and what kind of animal or feed they are putting out. Rock squirrels chew on tree bark and the wood and wires under the houses. They can cause a lot of damage to your home and landscape.

b, An email was sent recently about pool rules. Please adhere to the rules. It would not be a very pleasant situation if the County shuts the pool down because some people refuse to follow the laws. There are NO CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 16 allowed in the spa at any time at LPG. Doesn't matter if they are with an adult or not.

c. A comment form was received asking about the donations we give to nonprofits in December. We need resident input as to whether or not we can donate to a specific non profit more than once, or need to do once and done or limit it to waiting a certain number of years in between donations. Discussion was held and a motion was moved and second that the selection of a non profit will remain the same as previous years - residents will vote on which non profit submitted will get the donation. Motion carried.

d. There were numerous complaints about the increase in the monthly fee for having the rent taken directly from your checking account. The notification was on the

June receipt for payment of the June rent. The fee is not a Thesman fee. It is from the clearing house that does the payment to Thesman. Thesman has no control over that. Like everything else, the fee went up. Credit card fees went up and other forms of payments also had fees either started or increased.

e. There are 3 lights in the pool that are not working. Management is just waiting for the bid to be approved and they will be replaced. No timeline available at this point.

f. The landscapers have removed all the dead flowers in the entrance area and around the fountain. They will be planting lantana shortly. The green spaces look terrible but they are working on trying to get grass to grow. The spring rains were very heavy and then the summer heat came too quickly. It killed a lot of the seed so it couldn't grow.

G. RESIDENT QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS

a. Why can't someone from management walk around the pool during the day to see if children are swimming at the wrong times or address adults in the pool that don't belong here. Answer: Management doesn't have the time, they would need to hire another person. Anyone can go to the office and report offenses.

b. We need more communication between management and the residents. Why couldn't they have updated us more often about the spa and about the aerators? Answer: They did keep us informed about the spa through email and if you want more information about the aerators, just go to the office and ask. Any time you have questions, feel free to stop by the office and ask.

c. There is a leak with the sprinkler system at the Guadalupe gate which was reported 2 weeks ago. The water is running down the gutter into the drain. How long does it take maintenance to fix a problem that needs immediate attention? Answer: Peggy will talk with management about it.

d. The water aerators for the pool aren't being turned on. Answer: They are at nighttime the air temperature is low enough, and not during the day. They don't cool the water as the water is 86 degrees and the air has been over 90 degrees even at night.

e. There is water collecting at the waterfall. Answer: It is run off from the sprinklers.

f. It is all curb by the parking lot for the swimming pool. Several people have fallen. Can a ramp be put in? Answer: It was encouraged to have all those that have fallen to fill out an accident form at the main office. The more people that do that, the more likely management will see it as a problem. The resident was encouraged to fill out a comment form.

g. Kudos were given to Montalea in the office as she took care of a pool problem. Answer: Peggy stated she will relay the Kudo.

h. Can't the camera be monitored for when things happen in the pool? Answer: The cameras are not monitored. If you know the date and time of something, then it can be looked for.

H. ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. Potluck - August 13 at 6:00 PM in the Ballroom - Theme - The Wild West. August 13th was the day Annie Oakley was born so we will honor her with a Western theme.

b. Next meeting – August 1, 2024 – In the Card Room.

I. MOTION TO ADJOURN at 10:42

50/50 DRAWING AND DOOR PRIZE DRAWING - Winner of 50/50 got \$17 but donated it back to the association as was the door prize of \$20 was donated back.

Submitted by Sue Smith,
1st Vice President/Interim Secretary