

UCCA Meeting Oct. 27, 2019, 11:30am

Safety Harbor Clubhouse

Present: President JoAnn Beiermeister, Communications Secretary Sue Ann Cousar, Treasurer Helen Justice, Vice-President Richard Gross, David Bolme, newly appointed Directors Maureen Diaz, and Lucy Honnold. Via phone: Kristi Riggle, Bill Fry. Also present: Teresa Bolme, Steve & Marni Ward, Chief Jason Martin, Travis Parker.

Secretary report: Sue Ann Cousar read the Minutes of last UCCA meeting of April 27, 2019. Approved.

Treasurer report Helen Justice: Changed banking checking account. It had been a personal acct. and Helen along with Fran DeTure, former treasurer, had to open new. It is an interest bearing acct, Helen currently the only signer, at SunTrust (being bought by BB&T). She will go to online banking after the switch to BB&T beginning of next year. Opened with \$25,479. Balance on 9/30/19 \$25,909. Beginning balance of Island Access Fund \$99,841. Bryan Brillhart has not turned in food expense from Island Fest last April. Richard moved to approve treasurer report, 2nd, all in favor.

New appointees Lucy Honnold & Maureen Diaz presented. They are filling two empty seats on Board of Directors and will have to stand for re-election along with Helen Justice in December. Sue Ann Cousar and Deb Skinner were appointed by President JoAnn as Nominations Committee. Watch for email inviting UCCA members to nominate candidates to stand for election to the Board of Directors.

Chief Martin: We have new (used) medical emergency vehicle. There was a fire on Sept. 24 at 4521 Panama Shell Dr; already in state of collapse when fire fighters arrived. Other than ½ acre into state land, fire did not spread to neighboring houses or property. Forestry came out & will return. They have new administration, younger, eager to help and they will help improve road down to S. Banks. They will do training exercise that will include helicopters. Panama Shell 911 informed Forestry that there was fire on state park border. Fourteen experienced firefighters who have trained and know the Island have made commitment to come out on Island Girl, if they are off duty, to help fight a fire here. Need to get volunteers who would be willing to help shuttle FF to scene. Captiva has drone & can report from air what's going on. Helen said she called twice on cell phone to 911 and call did not connect, so she called station directly. Chief will post two cell #s that can be called at station, since there is currently trouble with landline at station. (New landline phone number for fire station is 239-900-1818.)

S. Banks fire began in shed of propane generator. Owner managed to control with garden hose until FD arrived. Point: everybody should have a long garden hose 100' already hooked up to be able to reach all sides of house to keep it cool & wet. Heat of fire exploded 2 propane tanks. Standing mulch piles present great fire danger. 2" of mulch will not present as great a danger. Suggested training meeting on fire prevention with Chief. Shift occurs at Ancient Beach at 9am every morning.

Steve Ward: Steve bought corner lot across from NCIC drain field. Needs to be rezoned (six mo.) establish 501.c3 for activities like yoga, music concerts, worship, wedding reception, 50 x 60 foot building, bathrooms, kitchen, history media center. Steve in MN has organized buildings, sports fields, tennis court. Estimated cost between five & six hundred K \$. This is an independent nonprofit project. Need to hire executive director, with board representing different entities. Board should rule by consensus, not majority. Dedication pavers a fund raising element. Goal is to build to hurricane shelter specifications. Rental fees should cover ongoing expenses.

NCIC Waste Facility: Richard Gross: NCIC Service Center. Trash disposal to properly dispose of 200 cu .yds. which accumulates monthly. During busiest time dumpsters overflow. Facility will be big enough to house golf carts as well, 3700 sq. ft. underroof where current septic drain field is. Building has been approved by Lee County. Nov. 1 new septic system done so can demolish old (former playground).

Access Way: Travis Parker. Next big project will be N. Airport Rd. & bring in rocky fill. Holdup on maintaining side roads of N. Airport is delay for Travis to receive new equipment to maintain them. Kingfisher is reported impassable. If Kingfisher residents were willing to contribute \$1,000 each and it was matched, that would go long way to fix properly with rocky fill. (R.J. asked Travis where he should invest his money on Island.)

Bill Byrnes is joining with a pilot who is wanting to take Hurricane Dorian relief items

Any other ideas for Island Access Fund? We are open to suggestions.

Minutes submitted by Sue Ann Cousar, communications secretary

Next UCCA meeting will be Sunday, January 26, 2020, 11:30am at SH Clubhouse.

Richard moved we adjourn, Rick 2nd. All approved.

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