## **Sterling Ridge Village Association**

Agenda of the Meeting held on January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Offices of RE/MAX, 6620 Woodlands Pkwy, The Woodlands, TX 77382

NAME (Even Year)	PRESENT	ABSENT
Fred Lederman	X	
Bob Conklin	X	
Lorraine Champion		X
Spencer Curry	X	
Natalia Arjona		X
Zipporah Singleton	X	
Rashmi Gupta	X	

NAME (Odd Year)	PRESENT	ABSENT
Tom Schwarzkopf	X	
Eric Fishhaut	X	
Steven Scannapieco	X	
Mike Wolff	X	
Robbye Schwarzkopf	X	
Juan Gomez	X	
Joe Romanski		X

**STANDARD ITEMS**: In this portion of the meeting, the community speaks to the SRVA to inform us of community information that is relevant to the SRVA mission.

- 1) Call to Order; Invocation / Pledge of Allegiance
- 2) Roll Call; we must have a quorum of at least 5 Directors and at least 2 Officers present.
- 3) Approval of the meeting agenda.

  A motion was made to approve the January 4th, 2024, meeting agenda and passed without discussion.
- 4) Recognize public officials present at the meeting. Chief Palmer Buck; TWFD Fire Chief Buck spoke briefly providing the board with 2023 department statistics. His remarks included tips for fireplace safety and Christmas tree disposal.

Township directors Mr. Richard Franks and Dr. Ann Snyder addressed the board providing Township highlights from 2023.

Some topics Dr. Snyder spoke about include:

- The township collaboration strategic plan economic development cooperation
- State HB5311 for drink tax revenue
- Village Presidents association
- New pickleball court, conveyance of waterway ownership from Howard Hughes to the Woodlands
- Passage of the 2024 budget
  - Debt reduction, favorable property taxes, increased hotel, and sales tax revenue
- TXDOT
- The Woodlands fire department 50th anniversary
- Kickoff for The Woodlands Township 50th anniversary for the 2024
- 5) Public comment(s); Please try to limit comments to less than 3 minutes.

  Jade Oliver from Commissioner Noack's office informed the board that members of a free recycling day and the P3 works app for Montgomery County.

Mike Seiler informed the board his Wife Kenna Seiler is running for Justice 9th Court of Appeals.

A resident of a townhome development in Sterling Ridge addressed the board. He was performing due diligence seeking input from other residents regarding HOA fees and insurance costs to benchmark against the development in which he lives.

6) MCSO Police Report; Specialist Brian Aguillar or Carlos Tavarez (936) 442-7797, Option 3 Specialist Aguillar presented the police report. During his presentation of the December 2023 statistics, he also shared a comparison for the past two years which showed the crime statistics to be comparable for 2022 and 2023.

He cited burglaries during December 2023 in the Montfair area and urged residents to be vigilant and keep doors closed and locked at night.

Gift card scams are ongoing post-holiday season.
Ongoing Amber card program. The next event will be January 18th in Alden Bridge.

7) Township/Village Liaison Report(s); Abby Miller [See the attachments to this meeting package] Curb painting kits are available for residents wishing to paint their address in the curb.

Abby Miller mentioned the Arbor Day tree give away Saturday January 27<sup>th</sup>. More information on the Township website.

https://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/calendar.aspx?eid=11047

Also mentioned was project 365 which involves alarms, making sure car, home and fire alarms are in working order. More information can be found on the Township website.

https://www.thewoodlandstownship-tx.gov/1594/Project-365

**CONSENT AGENDA**: Housekeeping reports specified by SRVA Bylaws. One motion, with modifications, if applicable, approves for action, all items contained within this section.

A motion was made and approved without discussion to approve the consent agenda.

- 8) <u>Secretary Report</u>: Receive, and consider the monthly report. [See attached Minutes]
- 9) <u>Treasurer Report</u>: Receive, and consider the monthly financial report. [See attached Financial Report]
- 10) Events Chair Report: Receive, and consider the monthly report.
- 11) <u>President's Report</u>: Receive, and consider the monthly report.
- 12) Ad Hoc Committee Reports
  - a. Receive report from The Woodlands Green liaison. Spencer Curry
  - b. Receive and consider Media Reports: Newsletter, Website, Facebook, Instagram, Magazine, NextDoor

## **REGULAR AGENDA / NEW BUSINESS**

13) Set the tentative schedule of events for the year (See attached Calendar) Discussed and approved dates for 2024 village events.

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Event	Date	Location
Fishing tournament	Saturday April 27 <sup>th</sup>	Pepperdale Park
Golf tournament	Wednesday June 5th	TWCC Player course
Pool Party	Saturday July 20th	Cranbrook Park Pool
BBQ and Kids festival	Saturday October 12th	Cranbrook Park

14) Form Interim Ad-Hoc Scholarship Committee: (3 members)

Ad-Hoc Scholarship Committee for 2024: Zipporah Singleton, Rashmi Gupta, Lorraine Champion, Juan Gomez

Trade schools will be open to participation in 2024. Criteria for trade schools will be decided by committee members.

The number of scholarships and amounts will be decided early 2024.

- 15) SRVA Director Elections: Deadline is January 19th, Even-year Directors. (See attachments)

  Board members up for election in 2024 were reminded to file for reelection. The deadline for filing is January 18th.
- 16) Discussion of the Annual Grant Awards (Lederman)

The Board members debated the possibly of award criteria prior to awarding school grants. Most of the board members were against imposing conditions for receiving grants.

The board members agreed promotion of the school grants through social media, presenting grants at school functions would be beneficial to raise awareness to SRVA activities, community goodwill, noting it could also aid in attracting sponsors for SRVA events.

## **FUTURE AGENDA / ANNOUNCEMENTS**: For consideration of future events, feedback from the Board, and questions.

- 17) Consideration of items to be placed on the agenda for next month's (Feb) meeting.
  - a. Nominations for Board Officers,
  - b. Formalize the Ad-hoc committees.

**Ad-Hoc Committees** 

Event	Members
Fishing	Bob Conklin
	Eric Fishhaut
	Juan Gomez
Golf Tournament	Spencer Curry
	Others TBD
Marketing	Fred Lederman
	Lorraine Champion
	Mike Wolff
	Natalia Arjona
	Robbye / Tom Schwarzkopf

Marketing committee will hold a meeting before the February meeting.

## 18) Adjournment.

A motion was made to adjourn and approved without discussion.