

# SIESTA HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MAY 9, 2015

1. Meeting called to order at 10:05 AM by SHNA President Pete Stromberg. Approximately 60 members in attendance.
2. Board members introduced. Completing 2 year terms are: Pete Stromberg, Woody Woodstra, and Jeff Schleher. Board members Rod Reay, Cynthia Cranston, Molly Grady, and Don Daigle are 1 year into their 2-year terms.
3. Guests Andres Romero, State Rep. District 10; Brent Wilson and Wayne Bitner from KAFB; Det. Guinn from APD Burglary Unit and 2 APD officers from the SE Area Command were introduced.
4. Brent Wilson, KAFB chief engineer, addressed the flooding issue from the base onto Louisiana and Ridgecrest into our neighborhood:
  - a. Caused by the base use (or non-use) of the old Zia Housing area. Soil is now less permeable, which causes water to run off instead of soak in during heavy rains.
  - b. KAFB is working with AMAFCA for a long term solution which involves building a catchment pond on AF property SE of Louisiana/Gibson intersection.
    - i. Solution to the whole SE Heights drainage basin
    - ii. Could take years due to issues with property transfer between federal and state/local gov't and NEPA-mandated environmental assessment (EA)
  - c. KAFB investigating interim solution – building cutoff dike in old Zia
    - i. Still requires EA, which takes about 1 year
    - ii. Hoping to complete next summer
5. Wayne Bitner, KAFB office of the AF Civil Engineering Center, presented an update on the fuel plume remediation progress:
  - a. Just completing the first extraction well – in CUMC parking lot (525 ft)
  - b. This well will feed a new pump & treat plant to be built on KAFB by October that will protect Ridgecrest Wells #3 & 5 and Kirtland Well #3
  - c. 4 more extraction wells to be drilled by end of 2015 and another 4 in 2016 – should not affect water table as water will be reused for irrigation
  - d. Activated carbon treatment produces drinking quality water, and KAFB exploring places to use it: golf course, base housing, Sunport
  - e. Latest sampling shows EDB plume has not reached Louisiana and seems to be heading more N than previously thought NE – this will require more monitoring wells in the future
  - f. Next public meeting, July 23, at African American Center at Expo NM

6. Andres Romero, our District 10 state representative, discussed status of the Capital Outlay Bill and several bills he introduced in the latest legislative session. He also solicited contact from everyone.
7. APD Burglary Unit Det. Megan Guinn and 2 SE Area Command officers discussed the latest break-ins in Siesta Hills and responded to questions
  - a. They all emphasized calling 242-COPS or 911 for any suspicious activity, car, or person. Even if they don't apprehend anyone, the info we provide goes into a database, which may allow detectives to piece together disparate events
8. Treasurer's Report by Don Daigle was approved.
9. Committee Reports
  - a. Pete Stromberg pushed the sign-up sheets for people to volunteer for standing committees.
  - b. Audit Committee report was presented by Cynthia Cranston.
  - c. Pete also stressed the need for helpers on the Newsletter Committee. Volunteers should contact Phyllis Galloway.
    - i. Jeff Archuleta made the motion to take CUMC up on their offer to print our newsletter for free; Dolores Daigle seconded; motion passed unanimously
10. Old business
  - a. The topic of cameras at the 3 neighborhood entrances was brought up at last year's meeting, but is still open.
    - i. Ann Sharpe made the motion to spend up to \$1,000 for cameras and Neighborhood Watch signs; if cost is more, then we will readdress; Julia Daniels seconded; motion passed unanimously
    - ii. POC – Pete Stromberg
  - b. Parking on Ridgecrest at the west end is a continuing problem. While the VA did some rock landscaping, they are not inclined to install curbs. A source for free railroad ties has been found and can be pursued by Pete Stromberg if the VA would allow us to do some installations.
11. New Business
  - a. Cynthia Cranston was presented a Cervantes gift certificate for providing water for plants at the Dakota entrance
    - i. Question was raised about the 25 MPH signs that used to be up on our interior streets. Jeff Archuleta volunteered to investigate and get the signs
  - b. Concern was raised about the continuous activity at the house on the Dakota/Mitchell corner. Rod Reay volunteered to investigate.
  - c. Pete introduced Laura Brown of the Precious Gifts Foundation, which has leased the house at Lovelace/Hertz for women coming out of prison. There was a great desire for extensive discussion, but Pete eventually quelled it because the Board is still gathering data and is not yet in a position to propose a course of action
12. Nominating Committee submitted a slate consisting of 3 names to replace outgoing board members: Pete Stromberg running for a second term, David Corcoran, and Don Conley. The slate was approved by unanimous voice vote.

13. Meeting adjourned at 12:05 PM.  
Results of committee sign-ups

Neighborhood Watch

1. Phil McConnell
2. Julia Daniels
3. Francie Straw

\* Rod Reay will contact them for process to sign up

Hospitality

1. Mary Lou Schleher
2. Jane Durkee
3. Carol Pettit
4. Valerie Calkins
5. Kathy McBride

Newsletter Distribution

1. Carol Pettit
2. Ann Sharpe
3. Kathy Rodriguez

\* Phyllis needs to contact them if she needs help

Nominating

1. Rod Reay
2. Jane Durkee
3. Carol Pettit
4. Francie Straw
5. **Need one more from the Board**

Beautification

1. Ed Sanchez
2. Don Daigle