

Indian Hills Peninsula Civic Club
Minutes of Meeting of October 12, 2019

President Jack Maxwell called the meeting to order at 4:05.

Approval of Minutes.

Attendees read the minutes of the meeting of August 10, 2019, presented by Secretary Garry Japko. Ken Long made note of a typographical error. Mike Rowley made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected, and Marty Pradel seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous approval.

Jack commented on the question posed at the last meeting about signs put out around the peninsula about buying homes for \$10,000 down. Jack checked on them he found, and they are for a subdivision other than ours.

Treasurer's Report.

Jack read the report for the Indian Hills Peninsular Civic Club Income and Expenses for the months of August and September 2019. Garry made a motion to accept the report, and Billy Aymes seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous approval.

Election of Officers, October 2019 to September 2020. Jack announced forty-one votes were cast. All returning officers were re-elected, and Mary Jo Aymes was elected as Sergeant at Arms. Diana Japko made a motion to accept the election results, and Mike seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous approval. Diana expressed her thanks to the Board for the work they did this year, and for returning to their offices. Jack expressed his pleasure at being President and the cooperation he has received, like in the inaugural National Night Out.

Jack also brought up the Thanksgiving Celebration at the Civic Club, to be held on November 9. Sharon Maxwell then mentioned the Ladies Auxiliary is starting up the Game Night, the first one to be held November 1. They will now be held just once a month

Jack mentioned we will hold the first Christmas Parade, starting at noon on Saturday, December 14. The Board will ride on a trailer in the parade, throwing out candy. He said the parade will follow the same route as the July 4 parade. He expects State Rep James White to participate, as well as local law enforcement and fire departments. After the parade, we will invite everyone to come back to the Civic Club for pictures with Santa Claus.

December 6 we will hold the Civic Club's Christmas party, including another white elephant gift exchange. We will also collect toys for Toys for Tots.

Old Business.

Jack asked Mike about the lights outside the building. He suggested that they might belong to Sam Houston Electric Coop. and they would be responsible for changing the lamps on it.

New Business.

Fountain for the Pond. Jack suggested taking donations for buying and installing a fountain for the pond, rather than using money from the Club's fund. He suggests the total cost to be \$3,000. He is looking at prices, but that was what he found when he took bids earlier this year. It could be less if we do solar power, which would save on running electricity to it.

Civic Club Rental Fees. Diana discussed the need to raise the rates we have been charging for years. We are currently charged \$75 just for cleaning. She suggested the following rates:

	<u>Current</u>	<u>New Fees</u>
Deposit	\$25	\$75
Member	\$75	\$100
Non member/resident	\$125	\$150
Neither resident or member	\$150	\$175

Sharon made a motion to accept these new rates, and Billy seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous approval.

Road Committee. Jack discussed that a committee has been formed and has been meeting. He believes we need to start improving and maintaining our roads to prevent major repairs down the road. We are paying taxes to the county, but the county can't maintain our roads. The committee met with James White, and he discussed our options. One might be through a grant, unless the grantor has a large part in what is done. Jack proposed an assessment of \$50 per lot, for a total of \$37,000 that would be collected each year. Bill Hutchison noted there is no mechanism to enforce the assessment. In the end we would have to have owners voluntarily pay in, and that would only be a certain number, not all. Jack replied, in the Deed Restrictions. It said we can assess lots a certain amount of money for roads. Jack also recounted in our meeting with Rep White he said we can set up a Taxing Authority to have the County collect these monies, but Jack was not convinced that the monies collected would go directly to our roads. Bill mentioned that there are seven plats/sections and each has its own deed restrictions, and those have lapsed. We would need a vote of 51% of lot owners in each plat/section to re-authorize them, and have those restrictions cover all seven plats equally. Discussion followed on whether someone who owns multiple lots would have either one vote or a number of votes equal to the number of lots owned. Jack discussed his thoughts on how roadwork would start, and discussion followed on how roadwork would proceed.

Bill mentioned again that he and Janet have run the 4th of July celebration the last three years but would like to pass that on to someone else. He asked for volunteers to take charge of it beginning next year.

Jack asked whether the Club members would be interested in participating in a CPR course here in the Civic Club. It was noted the Ladies Auxiliary had expressed interest in one. Jack said if he can have 10 people sign up for it, he will contact someone to give the class.

Adjourn:

Mike made a motion to adjourn, and Billy seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous approval. Meeting adjourned at 5:10.

Submitted by Secretary, Garry A. Japko