



Dunbar Spring Neighborhood Association meeting minutes April 21, 2025

**CALL TO ORDER** 7:08 PM

**ATTENDANCE/INTRODUCTION QUESTION (KITTEENS OR PUPPIES):** Thomas Stellini, Sky Jacobs, Jacob Hardy, Kiana Necoechea, Dustin Daley, Police Officers Kirsten.Hinthorn@tucsonaz.gov and [Jack.Julsing@tucsonaz.gov](mailto:Jack.Julsing@tucsonaz.gov), Jazlin Ladriere ( [jazlin.ladriere@pima.gov](mailto:jazlin.ladriere@pima.gov) Ward 5), Glenn, Natasha Winnik, Karen Greene

**CHANGES/APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MONTH'S MINUTES:** March minutes approved (9-0).

**TREASURER'S REPORT** \$469.28 (no change).

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** (external and internal)

April 29 Community swear-in at historic courthouse 5:30-6:30 music and food  
Originate Art Opening Friday, April 25th 5:30-7pm Elana Bloom mixed media landscape

Library:

[Desert Streams](#) is accepting music exhibitions until April 30 (\$250 + page)

[Swap Stories with Strangers](#) Sunday, April 27 1:30-2:30, Coalition Space

Karen is hosting a fundraiser **Tucson Loves AltaDena** for musicians who lost their instruments in the LA fire – Miss Olivia and the Interlopers; May, 3rd from 5-10 pm at the MSA Annex. \$10 suggested donation.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

a. Liquor license at for Shell at Speedway and Main was denied by City, but now request moves to State Board; Shell replaced lawyer to request for an OOH hearing to be decided by a judge, who will make a recommendation to the Liquor Board. Eight people showed up to present reasons for denying license (everyone impressed by so much active support), now pushed to first Thursday in June. Officer Julsing will contact Salvation Army for their support. Community Food Bank (Caridad Kitchen) does not want to submit a letter.

b. Moved, seconded to vote, and voted to vote (9-0); Moved, seconded and voted to write letter requesting Police Department to write letter on our behalf (vote 9-0)

c. Moved, seconded and voted that Sky Jacobs be reimbursed \$48.51 for three years of domain website. (9-0)

### **VISITING POLICE OFFICERS**

Natasha brought up issue concerning dog at large (unleashed) who has bitten a neighbor. Officer suggested having PAC get involved and take pictures. PAC can support homeless owner with resources.

Officer Julsing said that we should report property crimes and suspicious activity online (or go into station) because of understaffing and added workload. It will add to data and help address circumstance,s although it might take some time to address it. Trespassing is a more serious crime.

There was a question if closing Santa Rita Park would affect houseless population in our neighborhood. The law is that no one can camp overnight at parks. The City is trying to provide more housing for over 65 and those with mental needs. Community Safety and Wellness tries to do three weeks of outreach before parks get closed.

Officer Julsing runs downtown district, so he will get involved in issues in Sector 8. They are doing a lot of good work, such as trying to close Congress Street at night for pedestrians only; they have cameras and a lot of good stuff, in play to address crime concerns. Captain Petty is very hard-working, and this neighborhood has the highest ratio of officers in the City. We have gotten a lot of people into housing, and we are working hard on more.

The next Division Advisory Committee meeting for the Operation Division West Command staff is May 21st at 6:00pm located at the police substation 1310 W Miracle Mile. Please RSVP with [Kirsten.Hinthorn@tucsonaz.gov](mailto:Kirsten.Hinthorn@tucsonaz.gov) This is a great opportunity to meet with our divisions leadership and ask any questions, or just sit and listen to some great information.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Elections Nomination Slate (approved 9-0)

**President: Thomas Stellini** (Writes letters, contacts Ward and other government Offices, sets up sub-committees); **Vice President: Kiana Necoechea**, **Secretary: Dustin Daley** (takes and distributes notes, newsletter); **Treasurer: Natasha Winnik**, **Parliamentarian: Christy Stewart** (runs meetings)

## **REPORT FROM THE FIELD**

- a. Downtown Links – we requested a quarterly report; they agreed
- b. DNARC (Downtown Neighborhoods and Residents Committee)
- c. Dunbar Coalition: We need to get in touch with them and suggest the need for a representative
- d. HFAC (Historic Fourth Avenue Coalition): meeting two weeks ago about improvement plan (Northern section) been in planning since 2021; looking for more board members
- e. Stone/Speedway: HUD funds have disappeared for affordable housing
- f. Splinter Collective:
- g. WAMO (Warehouse Arts Management Organization): we need a rep

## **FOR THE GOOD OF THE CAUSE**

- a. discussed fund-raising, for instance for our google card, beyond donations
- b. let's try to contact Ward 1 to attend a meeting; [Participatory Budgeting voting!](#)  
Speak up!
- c. We should take advantage of two rollaways per year from City; always get filled up
- d. Suggested "Dunbar Market" that could involve everyone to sell crafts, yard sale, plants, music, baked goods. GREAT IDEA!!!!!!!!!!

**ADJOURN 8:21 PM**