Minutes: Thursday, June 8, 2023

Monterey Community Center Committee

Present: Mary Makuc (chairing meeting), Mark Andrews, Kyle Pierce, Wendy Germain, JoAnn Bell, Roz Halberstadter, and Elaine Lynch

Meeting commenced at 10:12 AM

May meeting minutes approved.

Next meeting date: Thursday, July 13, 2023 at 10 AM

A special thank you to Mikey for designing our calendar.

Past Programs:

-Memorial Day Parade: we were a big part of it. Suggestion made to better coordinate with each marching group. SB member, Ilene Marcus and Tom Sawyer organized it. -Native Plants had 25 attendees

-Exercise with Annie went well, charging \$10 per session, COA coordinating schedule, want to get this on a regular basis

-Topic for further discussion: possibly needing a subcommittee for fee structure.

-Friends of WMH voted to help support a Harvest Festival in a limited fashion.

-Super Gentle Yoga still having groups on Friday. James Boneparth is having private lessons but not at MCC.

-Finance Committee met outside

-Elder Law had 14 people

-Mark's Thursday Music Jam had 11 people and is now open for listeners

-Bridge: summer people are coming in; can do 6 tables

New Programs:

-Supper Club June 12 organized by Hanna Jensen. Need to pre-register, held outside under tent. Question regarding using JoAnn's tiki torches. Yes, we can.

-Cookbook Club June 26 organized by Wendy G. Jensen and Susan Johnson. Need to pre-register, maximum of 12 attendees.

-Summer Crafts for children to be organized by Catherine Hurst; Mary will follow up.

-Mary will call Berkshire Pulse about dance

-Matter of Balance: Kay Purcell, Kyle Pierce and Beth Hoffman are getting trained to teach it.

-June 25 Allan Dean Concert; he has a following

-Bird Watching might happen soon.

-Crossword Puzzles tips may be in late summer or fall.

-Herbalist Angela Highsmith to return in July; topic: vinegar and oil

-Salad making with Hanna Jensen for children might happen this summer.

August 1 Town Hall training program. RSVP to Mary; she will tell HR.

Pavilion Update:

We're moving forward. Mark Andrews is working on a long range plan. Will need additional bathroom. Looking for variance to be able to use port-a-potty until then. Gathering support letters.

## Lighting:

No update. Jim Hunt is working on it with National Grid. Frank Abbott saw plans from Rob Hoogs and likes them.

Gift:

Do we want to accept a gift of a portrait from Marjorie McLaughlin's relative? We have limited wall and storage space. Suggestion made to have a showing of stored art work at the Knox Gallery. Decision tabled until next meeting.

Stats:

Stats of visitors/attendees have gone way up. Initially 432 in a year; now well over 2000 per year.

Adjourned at noon.

Submitted by, Elaine Lynch