SUNRISE RANCH NEIGHBORHOOD – AREA 6
MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, January 28, 2020
7:00 to 8:30 p.m.   Doors open at 6:30 p.m.
TWIN OAKS BAPTIST CHURCH (7690 Twin Oaks Avenue/Mariposa)

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL OF THE BOARD:
President Donna Mayfield called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. In attendance: Vice President Louie Chapman, Director-at-Large Linda Fischer, Secretary Karen Helzerman, and Director-at-Large Stewart Ryan. Directors with approved absences: Director of Social Media Doug Broomell, and Treasurer Ruth Fox.

POP (Problem Oriented Policing) OFFICER REPORT for Area 6:
Citrus Heights Police Officer Felicia Taylor reported that in the previous four-week reporting period there were:
- Traffic Collisions – 11 (4 injuries and 7 property damage)
- Stolen Vehicles – 1
- Robberies – 2 (businesses)
- Burglaries – 1 attempt with vandalism
- Vehicle Burglaries: 1
- Traffic Stops – 34

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:
Secretary Karen Helzerman presented the October 2019 minutes for approval. Vice President Louie Chapman motioned to approve; S/Director-at-Large Stewart Ryan/carried. President Donna Mayfield announced that going forward the growing duties of Secretary will be divided between Secretary Karen Helzerman and Director-at-Large Linda Fischer.

SPEAKERS:
Census Program – Allison Bermundez, from the City of Citrus Heights, spoke regarding the 2020 Census (taken every 10 years), and stressed the importance of its accuracy because it determines the amount of Federal funding we receive for our schools, free lunch program, hospitals, fire stations, transportation, road repairs, etc. For every one person not counted, the city loses $10,000 of funding.

Post cards will be sent to residents in March providing codes to use for the online census program which is offered in 12 languages. Other options for providing census information will be offered by phone in 59 languages, and by mail. Residents needing computer access to take the census online may go to City Hall and local libraries.

The census applies to persons where they reside as of April 1, 2020, including those persons temporarily sharing a household. A separate count will be conducted for the homeless population, young adults in the military, occupants of medical board and care facilities, and college students.

Charter School – Jillayne Antoon from the American River Collegiate Academy discussed the proposed opening of a charter school in our area. This is a free public school funded by the State with fully accredited teachers (not unionized), and offers flexibility in curriculum. Ms. Antoon asked for support at a Sacramento County Office of Education meeting on February 4, 2020, regarding the proposed charter school. She mentioned that the San Juan Unified School District (unionized) has opposed allowing a charter school in our area. Ms. Antoon stated she believes the students in Citrus Heights deserve a choice of high-quality public schools.
TREASURER’S REPORT:
In Treasurer Ruth Fox’s absence, Al Fox provided the January 28, 2020 Treasury Report and General Ledger. The bank balance is $2,939.56. President Donna Mayfield made the motion to carry over the remaining Christmas Funds Donated for Families in the amount of $153.85 to use for the 2020 Christmas Fund; S/Vice President Louie Chapman/carried. President Donna Mayfield moved to approve the Treasurer’s Report; S/Co-Secretary Karen Helzerman/carried.

R.E.A.C.H. (Residents’ Empowerment Association of Citrus Heights) REPORT:
The annual R.E.A.C.H. workshop and potluck dinner for neighborhood area participants, volunteers, friends, and guests will be held on Monday, March 2, 2020, at 6 p.m. at the Citrus Heights Community Center. This year’s theme is Citizen Empowerment. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to share. Area 6 will make 12 table centerpieces, as well as assemble a basket for the drawing. Director Stewart Ryan moved to allocate $50 of our funds for the basket; S/Co-Secretary Linda Fischer/carried.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT:
Paperwork for liability insurance for our monthly general meetings at the Twin Oaks Baptist Church has been provided. In the future, we will be holding our meetings in a larger room in another wing at the church in order to better accommodate our audience.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
 a. Neighborhood Improvement Partnership (NIP) Applications for FY 2020-21: Mariposa Avenue Elementary School has submitted their application for $24,000 of funds for installation of an electronic marquee in front of the school.

 b. Future speakers: Injury prevention for the elderly was suggested as a future topic.

 c. Christmas Baskets Report: President Donna Mayfield reported that the two families chosen to receive Christmas baskets of food, toys, clothing, etc. provided by Area 6 were thrilled and grateful for the contribution to their holiday.

 d. Halloween Parade – October 25, 2019: We have a presentation to honor the Richard Houch family who restored a vintage tractor for the Halloween Parade, but we haven’t been able to contact them by phone and there is no access to their property. It was suggested that we contact them by mail.

NEW BUSINESS:
 a. New Officers: There was no change; current directors remain in place.

 b. February, March, and April Speakers: In February, the Citrus Heights Police Department will give a presentation and demonstration concerning their drones. In March and April, the Chief of Police and City Manager will speak at our meetings.

 c. Neighborhood Concerns: None discussed.

 d. Future NIP Project Suggestion: President Donna Mayfield reported she received a suggestion to apply for NIP funds to plant trees in conjunction with Arbor Day.

 e. Mariposa Avenue Elementary School Principal, Leslie Cottrell, extended invitations to attend their Family Skate Night on January 30th, Teachers’ Night 4 – 9 p.m. on February 5th at McDonalds on Sunrise and Financial Literacy for Families at Patelco, and coffee with the Principal on February 13th.

ADJOURNMENT: President Donna Mayfield motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m., S/Co-Secretary Linda Fischer/carried.