

April 26, 2022 TGHNA monthly meeting: via Zoom

7:20 Welcome

Greeting and intro from Jennifer Florida, 2022 TGHNA President. Intro of other Board members. Thanks to Committee chairs, Block Captains and Gazette managers.

SLMPD Neighborhood Liaison's report : Officer Walker: There have been 3 arrests recently for burglaries. Garage burglaries are the biggest incidents currently and they happen mostly at night. Please lock your garage doors and car doors, and light up the outside of your garage and house.

On Saturday, May 21st from 11-4 PM we will hold a 2nd District Police Appreciation Day. Its at 3503 Bamberger. Our surrounding neighborhoods are invited too. Please come out and show support. They will also be giving away gun locks there.

15th Ward Alderperson Megan Green's report: Recycling: It is returning in May but we don't have an exact start date. The City will give their employees a 3% raise (although in Green's opinion this is not enough to be competitive).

Question: Could the City residency requirement be lifted in order to help with under-staffing in many City departments?

Answer: No, we have to find ways to get people to live in the City.

Neighborhood Improvement Specialist Katie Wolf: Missed her report due to connection issues.

Question: Why are residents still on hold for so long on 911? A resident was recently on hold for 5 minutes.

Answer: Megan Green answered for Katie: The City knows this is a crisis. The personnel system is very old and out-of-date. It is hard for people to even apply for existing jobs. Refuse and 911 are two areas of priority. We need a new Personnel Director.

Guest Speaker: Erica Westbrooks, Board Certified Physician's Assistant in Dermatology:

She spoke about the importance of sunscreen. Sun exposure can cause skin cancer and photo-aging. Skin cancer (Melanoma, Basal, and Squamous Cell) is a preventable disease.

When you purchase a sunscreen, get one you like and will actually use. SPF 30 or higher is a must. Sun protection clothing, sunscreen hats, and sitting in shade are also options. Avoid tanning beds and laying out in the sun. Re-apply sunscreen every 90 minutes. Get your skin checked every year.

Question: How important are expiration dates on sunscreen?

Answer: Very. Chemical sunscreens last longer. You should be using more than one per summer. Keep them temperature safe. Consumer Reports does a very good analysis on sunscreens. Look at the sunscreens they recommend.

President's Report: Jennifer Florida: Mark Abbott will be our guest speaker in May. He is Chair of the TGS Development Committee and he will speak about their process. Heights Nights begin again for the season in May. We are still working on improving the Zoom experience for meetings.

Treasurer Report: Rick Stein: Treasurer's Report: In March we spent \$991 on Gazette printing (about a 10% increase from last year, so Tricia is looking into a possible new vendor instead of Murray Printing), \$17.64 in PayPal commission fees, and we made \$250 in donations: \$100 to the South Grand Cultural Alliance, which will go to the Chalk Walk event, and \$150 to the Friends of South Grand—Median Maintenance project. We took in \$410 in membership fees, \$175 in Gazette ads, \$11.19 from Amazon Smile, and \$0.47 in interest. Our net worth as of 3/31/22 was \$11,199.11; as of that date the check for the median maintenance donation hadn't cleared, but it has cleared since then.

Membership report: Jean Iezzi: There are 418 members.

Social Committee: Sharon Angle: We will have Heights Nights again this year, beginning in on the 2nd Tuesday in May, the 10th. Time: 6-8 PM. The venue will be Steve's Hot Dogs. They have a nice outdoor patio with picnic-type tables. Bring the kids!

Block Captain report: Debra Knox Deierman: We are still looking for a Block Captain for 36-3700 Wyoming. We are getting Welcome Packets to new residents.

Communication Committee: Debra Knox Deierman: We have 766 on Mail Chimp email. Open rates have been good recently.

Safety Committee Report: Erica Westbrooks: We meet the 3rd Monday of every month; currently via Zoom. We are looking for new members and a new Chair. Beginning in May, we will be doing an inventory of alley lighting.

Old Business: NA

New Business: NA

Upcoming dates: TGHNA Board meeting May 4 at 7 PM. The next Membership monthly meeting is May 24 at 7:15.

Adjourn: 7:56 PM

Submitted by Sharon Angle