

Tano Road Association Annual Meeting Minutes December 8, 2019

Proceedings

The meeting was called to order by the TRA President Karen Freeman at 2:00 pm at the Unity Church of Santa Fe. A quorum of the TRA membership was present.

Board Members present:

Steve Barthelme
Warren Berg
CB Bowlds
Ellen Collins
Karen Freeman
Howard Gershon
Doris Longhurst
Lorrey Muellenberg
Robin Owen
Jack Purson

President's Review

Karen Freeman greeted the membership and thanked them for supporting the TRA. She commented on the continued success of our volunteer neighborhood association and the many accomplishments of 2019, including the NW Well pumping agreement with the City of Santa Fe and the Office of State Engineer.

Committee Reports

Membership -- Robin Owen reported that there are now 245 paid households in the TRA, including 19 new memberships in 2019. The total number of homes and lots in our neighborhood is 355.

113 neighbors attended the Spring Nosh and the committee welcomes suggestions for venues with space and parking for this type of event. Please contact Robin with suggestions or questions.

NW Well Protest -- Ellen Collins reported that after eight years, we have an agreement with the City and the OSE to restrict pumping of the NW Well. Data collected from surrounding monitoring equipment will ensure that the City is adhering to the agreement and that the aquifer remains healthy. In 2018, the well pumped 463 acre feet of water and in 2019, the amount pumped was 112 acre feet. Both readings were much lower than the 650 acre feet per year allowed in the agreement.

Trash Bash and Trails -- Howard Gershon discussed the possibility of developing a new walking path along Camino de los Montoyas, going south towards the La Tierra trails. TRA coordinated our spring trash bash with the Santa Fe Beautiful

organization. The organization named TRA the "Neighborhood of the Year" for our efforts to keep our neighborhood trash-free.

Propane/Natural Gas -- There is an agreement with Ferrellgas to provide reduced-priced propane to current TRA members. This contract will be renewed for the 2020 winter season. Neighbors organized to continue the New Mexico Gas lines along Montoyas to the Pinion Ridge/Tano Alto area, adding 19 new hookups to the system.

Security/Traffic -- Warren Berg reported continued good volunteer participation in the Security Patrol. There has been more construction traffic in our area in 2019, but TRA is still rated one of the safest neighborhoods in the County. TRA and the County coordinated to add traffic/safety signs at the Tano Road/Montoyas intersection. The Tano Road security signs at both North Ridgetop Road and Montoyas will be replaced in 2020.

Treasurer -- Doris Longhurst reviewed the income, expenses and 2020 budget. The Treasurer's Report was approved as presented.

Member Comments

The meeting was opened for discussion and while there were several topics raised, the main concern was about speeding and truck traffic. The Board will address safety/traffic issues in the new year and coordinate with the County as we search for practical remedies. TRA does not have law enforcement authority over traffic or road usage, so whatever safety measures are taken would need to be under the auspices of the County.

There was discussion of some land in Las Estrellas that is being transferred to the City. The important consideration for TRA is that this ownership transaction is not expected to affect the land use parameters of the original Santa Fe Estates Master Plan. If the City intends to deviate from the Master Plan, they will be required to go through a public approval process for land use and traffic impact. TRA can decide what action to pursue if this occurs.

Neighbors with individual private mailboxes are encouraged to reinforce them both structurally and for security purposes.

Bike trails were mentioned again and it was pointed out that the bike trail master plan for the Santa Fe area does not include the Tano Road neighborhood.

Board Slate for 2020

In 2019, Art Jensen, Bob Pendley and Jack Purson retired from the Board and their service is much appreciated. Also, many thanks to Winky VanderHoeven for her loyal work with eblasts and the website. Steve Barthelme joined the Board in 2019.

The Board Member slate for 2020 was approved by voice vote. The approved Board members for 2020 are:

Steve Barthelme
Warren Berg
CB Bowlds
Ellen Collins
Karen Freeman
Howard Gershon
Doris Longhurst
Lorrey Muellenberg
Robin Owen

Officers will be selected at the January, 2020, board meeting, per the TRA by-laws.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 pm.