

SACNW Meeting Minutes
March 9, 2022
SomePlace South

Present: eighteen members including executive committee: Chris Beaumont, Randy Watts, Martin Reiser, Richard Huebner and Ana Lausen and Josh Buettner (via Zoom). Also attending were San Pedro Town Councilor Jose Castellanos.

President's Welcome: Chris opened the meeting thanking everyone for attending and the owners of SomePlace South for hosting the meeting. Chris outlined the sequence of the meeting and asked to hold questions until the new business portion of the meeting. Chris announced that Kevin Owen will be the newly appointed Chief Fundraising Officer for SACNW and report to the Executive Committee. Kevin may be reaching out to individual members to help with several projects he has planned.

Treasure's Report: Randy Watts presented the February Treasure's Report which included the income from two fundraising events during the month.

SACNW February Financials

Income

Contributions	11,530
Fundraisers	10,294
Merchandise Sales	<u>285</u>

Total Monthly Income **22,109**

Expenses

Chase CC Fees	67
Banking – Other	<u>4</u>
Total Banking	71

Payroll Expense	11,069
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Social Security Expense	995
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Transportation Expense

Fuel	600
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Golf Cart repair	<u>252</u>
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Total Transportation Expenses	852
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Water	80
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Total Operating Expenses **13,067**

Net Ordinary Income **\$9,042**

***Please note that both the Police Department and San Pedro Town Council are paying for a portion of our gas usage in the golf cart each week.**

Randy told members that we will be pursuing an application for SACNW to be a 501 (c) 3 entity in the United States.

Randy encouraged all members to remind their friends and neighbors who live or own businesses or property in the Watch Area to contribute.

To Donate by credit or debit card you can go to www.SACNW.org. [If you are donating through this link – PLEASE SEND SACNW AN EMAIL TO SACNW.ORG NOTIFYING THE EC OF YOUR DONATION SO CREDIT CAN BE GIVEN TO YOU.](#)

Credit Card donations are also accepted at Black Orchid and SomePlace South.

For Cash or Check Donations, please drop off at Barrier Reef Drive office of Ambergris Seaside Realty – Josh Buettner.

Please Remember that SACNW operates solely on member contributions! All contributions are used for Patrol Salaries and Golf Cart expenses. All administration costs are volunteer time and in-kind donations!

Security Report: SACNW Patrol Officer Medina presented the Security Report:

During the month of February, 25 suspicious persons were escorted from the area and were searched.

February 11 @ 12:28 am. Patrol and Police stopped a male person walking on the road. The person was detained for a Breach of Curfew.

February 15 @ 10:48 pm. Patrol responded to altercation at Marins Store, where one person was detained and taken to the Police Station.

February 16 @ 10:50 pm. Patrol stopped a drunk driver heading south driving recklessly. Person was detained but allowed to leave because he had reached home.

February 22 @ 12:45 pm. Patrol responded to a traffic accident where the individual was assisted to the Polyclinic with minor injuries.

February 26 @ 9:30 am. Patrol responded to an altercation at Hol Chan Resort. Upon arrival at the resort the Patrol met with one person who had the altercation with a well-known troublemaker in the area. The person was told to make a formal complaint at the Police Station. The person accused had left but was later detained.

February 26 @ 7:22 pm. Patrol responded to a report of a stolen bicycle. The accused was detained leaving the area and the bicycle was recovered.

March 1 @ 7:30 pm. Patrol assisted a business owner in recovering money owed to them by a person within the area. An argument ensued where he was detained and taken to the Police Station.

March 2 @1:35 pm. Patrol responded to shots being fired at sea in front of Victoria House. Checks were made. The vessel along with the occupants were later detained by Police.

March 7 @ 9:27 pm. Patrol responded to noise coming from the private dock at the Box House. Checks were made and the persons were asked to leave the dock.

New Business:

Susan Watts presented a Welcome Basket from SACNW that would be given to new homeowners and long-term renters who will be living in the area. We will use this opportunity to open the door to explain what SACNW is about and get them to participate.

The basket includes a **Welcome Card, Bread** – That this house will never know hunger, **Salt** – That life may always have flavor and **Wine** – That joy and prosperity may reign forever! The basket will also include honey, Marie Sharpe's hot sauce, a SACNW brochure and discount cards from local businesses.

Susan will receive names and addresses of new members from Real Estate Agents as well as neighbors and visit the new homeowners at their home. Anyone who like to work with Susan on this initiative can contact her at 634-5678.

A resident asked what if anything can be and is being done by the EC to address their concerns regarding recurring incidents of harassment being perpetrated by another resident in the area. Chris said he didn't know the exact details of the latest incident, but the EC would look into it and see what steps could be taken.

We will have a South Area Trash Clean-up on Saturday March 26, 2022. We will meet at the Patrol Station beside Miramar Condominiums at 7:00 am. We will provide garbage bags and gloves. Someplace South will provide free coffee and water to those helping with the clean-up. Looking forward to having a large turnout, **many hands makes for light work!**

Guest Speaker – San Pedro Town Councilor Jose Castellanos.

The executive committee sincerely appreciates the Town Council for attending and speaking at our meetings.

Jose spoke about the continued proliferation of business signs along the south roadway. He said that they will be able to remove the signs that are within the road right of way. If the sign is on private property, they will not be able to remove the sign without the permission of the landowner.

Jose told us that he has reviewed the photographs that we sent to Town Council showing the garbage that has been dumped in the newly opened “green waste” dump. Jose assured us that town council was only dumping green matter – no garbage / plastics / furniture / metal etc. The dump is on private land so the Town Council cannot erect posts and a chain with a pad locked at the entrance. The EC will discuss this subject and get back to our members when we have a solution. **We would like to remind all members when you pay a private company to remove non green items from your property, please make sure you get a receipt from the Garbage Transfer Station proving your items were in fact taken to the correct location.** Jose encouraged our members to use the new online services for paying property tax, drivers license’s etc. Visit [San Pedro Town Council.org](http://SanPedroTownCouncil.org) for more information.

The SACNW EC would like to remind all members of our community who attend our meetings to ask questions of our guest speakers in a kind and professional manner. Please show respect that each of these speakers deserve. They often are giving up their own personal time to come and inform and educate our members of important matters concerning our community.
We welcome and encourage all our members to attend and participate in our monthly meetings.

In closing Chris thanked everyone for attending the March General Meeting.

Please email us with any questions, comments, or suggestions to www.SACNW.org.

SACNW Mission Statement to deter crime, promote community spirit and create an environment that encourages awareness and continual improvement with our area.