

Date: March 10, 2021

Location: SomePlace South and Virtual via Zoom

Present: 30 members including executive committee: Chris Beaumont, Randy Watts and Ana Lausen, special guests, Community Affairs PO Coye, PO Gabourel and Billy Leslie – Rickilee Response and Rescue (RRR).

President's Welcome: Chris Beaumont opened the meeting thanking everyone for attending and thanking the owners of SomePlace South for hosting the meeting. Chris also mentioned that the wife of Mr Coye, our Patrol Leader is in need of major surgery and a Go Fund Me page has been set up to help offset the medical expense. **Please see the attached if link if you would like to donate.**

Treasurer's Report:

Ana Lausen gave a summary of the financial status for the month of February and Year to Date – **please see attached.**

Ana 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

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

For Cash or Check Donations please drop off at the 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 Lead Patrol Officer Coy presented the Security Report:

- During the month of February, 32 suspicious persons were searched.
- February 18 at 8:00 am the Patrol and Police responded to a traffic accident near the sand pit area. No one was injured.
- March 1 at 8:05 pm Patrol and Police responded to a traffic accident and no one was injured, the Police took over the situation.
- March 9 at 3:30 pm Patrol and Police detained a person for insulting a Police Officer and the suspect was taken to the Police Station.

The Patrol would like to remind all citizens to keep your Speed at 15mph or less to help avoid traffic accidents. A freshly grated road tends to increase the speed of many drivers.

Special Guest:

Chris introduced Billy Leslie who explained how RRR came about 4 years ago with the unfortunate drowning death of Rickilee after falling off of a Jet Ski near Secret Beach.

RRR has two missions, the first being emergency response on and around the island, the second assisting with emergency medi-vac transportation off the island to medical facilities.

RRR as an ambulance on the island as well as works with a group of tour operators for Water Rescues. They also receive assistance from the air from local helicopter companies. All those who work for RRR have been certified for Water Rescue. Billy went on to tell us about several incidents that they have responded to in the past weeks – one being a paddle boarder who drifted 12 miles north from Secret Beach – when found he was dehydrated and very thankful that someone called RRR to go out and find him. If you would like to learn more about RRR please visit their website at triplerresponse.org for emergency call 627-1117.

Old and New Business:

A member asks if Expats would be able to get the Covid Vaccine. Another member said that he had called the Ministry of Health and they told him all Expats over the age of 60 could call and get put on a list for the vaccine. **Please see the attached link :**

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfefOSOAnYMefvFKxxQRQHnNeDcF-WJqYTQmtoHCOJhqFj09Q/viewform>

A member ask if SACNW was a 501c3 Non for-Profit organization. We will look into setting this up and will respond at our next meeting.

We will be holding a Trash Pick Up on March 13th in conjunction with Reef Week. Members will meet at the Substation at 7:00 am. Bags will be provided, please bring your own gloves. SomePlace south will be giving workers free coffee and water.

SACNW is in need of a Secretary – If you are interested or know of anyone who would be interested please contact any member of the Executive Committee. You must be a member who lives fulltime on the island.

In closing Chris thanked everyone for a great meeting.

Please email us with any questions, comments or suggestions 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.