

SACNW Meeting Minutes
July 13, 2022
SomePlace South CafeBar

Present: 28 members including executive committee, Chris Beaumont, Randy Watts, Martin Reiser and Richard Huebner. Also attending were Venessa Parnum – NEMO representative for Belize Rural South, Police Superintendent Christopher Noble, Police Superintendent Alejandro Cole, Corporal Coye and 4 Police Officers from the San Pedro Police Dept.

President's Welcome: Chris opened the meeting thanking everyone for attending and the owners of SomePlace South CafeBar 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 also mentioned that the books are always open if anyone has any questions about how their donations are being used.

Treasures Report: Randy presented the June Treasures Report.

SACNW June 2022 Financials

Income	
Contributions	16,925
Total Monthly Income	16,925
Expenses	
Banking Fees	41
Payroll Expense	10,456
Social Security Expense	<u>1,236</u>
Total Payroll Expense	11,692
Water	80
Total Operating Expenses	11,813
Net Ordinary Income	5,112
Bank Balance June 30	43,538

Chris thanked the Police Department and San Pedro Town Council for paying for our gas usage in the golf cart each week, saving SACNW \$700 - \$900 per month.

Randy encouraged all members to remind their friends and neighbors who live or own businesses or property in the Watch Area to please donate to SACNW. We encourage our members to consider setting up a **Recurring Monthly Payment Plan** – this is available to set up on the SACNW.org webpage.

To Donate by credit or debit card you can go to www.SACNW.org/donate or by PayPal. Login into your PayPal account and SEND to sacnwbelize@gmail.com.

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

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 Patrol Leader Coye presented the Security Report:

Saturday June 4 @10:07 pm – The Patrol and Police detained a suspicious person on a docked boat.

Sunday June 12 @6:39 am – Patrol and Police noticed a Yellow Taxi in the bushes – the driver had fallen asleep.

Monday June 13 @10:35 am – Patrol and Police assisted 3 tourists that had a golf cart accident. Triple R was called and helped with minor injuries.

Wednesday July 4 @ 11:45 pm – Patrol and Police stopped a suspicious person carrying stolen tools. He was detained and will be charged for stealing the tools from a locked bodega.

Wednesday July 13th @ 2:00 pm Patrol and Police ticketed a person for driving without his Drivers License. Mr. Coye reminded our members that all drivers of Golf Carts must have a legal Driver's License and encouraged Rental Properties to remind their guests.

The Patrol and Police escorted 17 suspicious persons from the area.

Old Business: Randy updated the members on the continued work Kevin Owen – Fund Raising Officer has been doing this past month.

- SACNW is now registered as a nonprofit in the State of Texas.
- PayPal is the “one time” donation method on the SACNW website.
- 9 members are now using the recurring monthly donation plan available on the SACNW website.

- SACNW now has a Venmo account and has been added to the donation section of our website. Donations can be made by scanning the QR code shown at the bottom of the page or by sending from the Venmo app to **@sacnwbelize**.

The organization is very thankful for all the work Kevin has done with our New Website and Donation options in his new role with SACNW.

EC member Martin Reiser and his wife Pauline created a Petition asking Town Council to properly improve the main road south from Mahogany Bay to the south end of the island. **The Petition is currently available to sign at Someplace South. We encourage all members who were not in attendance for the meeting to stop by Someplace South and sign the Petition while also enjoying lunch or dinner.**

The signed Petition will be delivered to the San Pedro Town Council early next week.

Guest Speaker Vanessa Parnum – Director of NEMO for Belize Rural South.

Ms. Vanessa spoke to our members about being prepared for the Hurricane Season. It is very important that all people who live on Ambergris Caye be prepared for potential hurricanes. San Pedro is the Most Vulnerable Off-Shore Community in all of Belize. The local NEMO phone number is 206-2891. Vanessa's Office is located on the second floor of the Wings Building beside DigiCell. **Brochures and preparedness forms are available for pick up at at Someplace South.**

Guest Speakers Police Superintendent Christopher Noble and Alejandro Cole

Superintendent Noble told us that he has been promoted and will be leaving for an assignment in Belize City in 30 days. We will miss Chris and thank him for all he has done. We appreciate him having set up a program where a San Pedro Police officer accompanies our Patrol on each shift. We congratulate him on his promotion and wish him well in his new position. Chris will still be available to contact at his current phone number via text message should anyone wish to speak to him.

Chris introduced his replacement, Alejandro Cole. Superintendent Cole is looking forward to getting started and continuing the good work started by Chris. We look forward to getting to know Superintendent Cole and wish him all the best in his new position.

New Business:

We will have a South Area Clean-up on Saturday morning July 23 at 7:00 am. We look forward to having a large turnout as there is a lot of trash build up along our roadway and beaches. Please ask you neighbors to come out and help with this effort to beautify our neighborhood.

Open Floor:

A member complimented the Patrol and quick response to help one of her employees who was injured in a golf cart accident.

A member directed a question to Ms. Parnum a member of the RRR Emergency Response Team. The member had been told by a person who recently had a medical emergency and RRR was called, extraordinarily high fees were charged for RRR emergency services. **Ms. Parnum answered that no fees are charged to individuals for their RRR emergency services.** She was not sure if and how charges may have occurred if a person who was treated that had Travel Insurance. She will investigate and respond to the member who asked the question.

Chris ended the meeting thanking all those who attended the meeting.

We welcome and encourage all our members to attend and participate in our monthly meetings. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday August 10th at 7:00 p.m.

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

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