



Minutes -Monthly Council Meeting
City Hall Room B-8 Tuesday, November 26, 2019, 8:00 – 9:30 AM

Attendees: Marsha Rechsteiner; Mark Currie; Emrah Erduran; Dave Garofalo; Marcy Tieger; Maneck Bhujwala; Lynne Thies; Kelly Frankiewicz MDiv; Deacon Tom Concitis; Rev. Pattie Mercado; Deacon Joe Sullivan; Ralph Bauer; Rev. James Pike; Nader Hanna; Gudelia Ramirez; Marilyn Anania; Jessie Hernandez; Christy Hernandez; Shammy Dee; Karla Bjorkland; Judy Osuna; Penny Nichols; American Legion Rep. Robert?; Nick Saifan.

1. Call to Order: Marsha Rechsteiner
2. Breakfast: Coffee and Opening/Closing Inspiration Emrah Erduran & Deacon Joe Sullivan
3. Self-introductions as usual
4. Program Speaker – Shammy Dee spoke about Safe Parking initiative. She discussed who are most needing of this service: seniors, people who have lost jobs and students. A coordinated effort needs to be established with the city, including police, when it comes to this initiative. So far, the real dialogue has not begun. Sammy requested that people connect with Homeless United HB to get more information if you wish to be involved.
 - Speaker Series for Jan 28, 2020

We will continue our presentations on the aspects of the different Faith Traditions of our members. On Jan 28, the topic will be: "What is God" or "Who is God"

Our meeting topics arrangers: Marcy Tieger and Deacon Tom had given some thought to this subject. Reporting on the *Afterlife* spoke of where a destination might take us. However, Marcy and Tom reflected on the purpose of life. What is God alluding to a force beyond our comprehension and understanding. Who is God personifying a Being capable of creation and guidance? Ultimately, the question is: "does this Being desire or demand worship and praise"?

In the past, four presenters had three minutes each. In order to provide a bit more time to cover deep and significant topics, it was decided to change the format to three presenters – four minutes each.

The presenters for Jan will be:

- Maneck Bhujwala – Zoroastrianism
- Pattie Mercado – Center for Spiritual Living
- Deacon Joe Sullivan – Roman Catholicism

On deck for February 25 is Natalie Moser

5. October Minutes Approved.
6. Treasurer's Report – Emrah Erduran

Bank account Balance for Nov. 20 ----- \$8,411.71

7. Old Business:

- Thanksgiving Service, Sun Nov 24 – Rev. James Pike. During self introductions anyone who attended was asked to give a comment. All positive remarks from the group. Choir, speakers, dancers and bread refreshments were all found to be wonderful. People enjoyed the diversity and yet the common values shared at Thanksgiving.
- Cathy Lukehart, Coordinator for Homeless Task Force spoke at the event and explained the importance of what they do and introduced her team. Donations and bus passes were collected that evening.
- A check for \$1,000 payable to Coast to Coast (along with bus passes) were presented to Cathy Lukehart at GHBIC meeting on 11/26.

8. New Business:

8.1 Community Service Day - April 25 – Pastor James Pike explained the plans are coming together for projects people can volunteer for.

8.2 Penny Nichols was assigned by President to fill the opening on Executive Board left by Marcy Tieger.

8.3 Gudelia Ramirez volunteered to assist Charlie Niederman as co-chair of the 4th of July Parade.

9. City Council Meeting Invocations - Organized by Kelly Frankiewicz

Monday, November 4 _____ Mark Currie

Monday, November 18 _____ Kelly Frankiewicz

Monday, December 2 _____ Pastor Joe at St. Bonaventure

Monday, December 16 _____ Marcy Tieger

Monday, January 6 _____ Marsha Rechsteiner

Tuesday, January 21 _____ Pastor Nader Hanna

Monday, February 3 _____ Pastor James Pike

Tuesday, February 18 _____

10. Next meeting breakfast & inspirations: January 28, 2020: Marsha Rechsteiner & Marcy Tieger

11. Announcements: Many groups shared upcoming events for the month of December. Secretary will send reminders for those that send her their information.

12. Closing inspiration: Deacon Joe Sullivan