



**Minutes-Monthly Council Meeting**  
**Zoom meeting, Tuesday, September 29<sup>th</sup> 2020, 8:00 – 9:30 AM**

1. Call to order: Penny Nichols
2. Opening inspiration: Mike Michaud
3. Self-introductions as usual
4. Program/Speaker: Rabbi Steve Einstein spoke about the Jewish High Holy Days. Rosh Hashanah is the beginning of the new year in Jewish Calendar and it is the anniversary of the creation of the universe. It begins with the blow of the shofar. It is a time to examine the actions of the last year and think about the future. Customs include eating sweet foods. Yom Kippur is a 25 hour long fast and serious prayers. A practice of self-denial and individual and communal confession. In Sukkot, we build a small booth and hang fruit and vegetables, a way of giving thanks to God for bounty. The very last day is Simkhat Torah, where we complete the cycle of reading the Torah and begin all over again. Charlie Niderman talked about coping in this time of isolation. Virtual participation has increased in the time of physical isolation.
5. August Minutes approved as written. Marsha moved and Joe seconded
6. Treasurer's Report - Emrah Erduran

**Bank account Balance for September 22<sup>nd</sup> ----- \$5,537.25**

7. Old Business:
  - 7.1 Thanksgiving Service committee is making great progress. Speakers are contacted. If you have someone to represent from your congregation let us know. We are inviting the Fire Chief to be the guest speaker. A children choir is a mix from different denominations. We have Dance4Joy dancers performing. The service will be recorded and broadcasted live and will be available later.
  - 7.2 Rev. James Pike's church is in Chapter 2 of the Food distribution progress. With partnership with HB city, Illumination foundation and the community, they are organizing a weekly Breakfast for seniors, who are at risk of being homeless for the first time. there is 7-8 participants and the goal is to eventually house them.
  - 7.3 Marilyn Anania highlighted the work of HB Connectors. Helping anyone looking for a Job. Training people to market themselves and get re-employed again.
  - 7.4 Pat Goodman highlighted the work of CLUE in the community (Clergy and Laity United for Economic Justice) CLUE is offering support to employees in FV hospital negotiating their contract.

- 7.5 The Membership committee wants to compile a list of houses of worship and organizations that support GHBIC. They will be given a sticker with our Logo to post on their website.

Charlie Niederman: We have levels of memberships, we would like to see these supporting groups list on the website. Jynene: the list is on the way. Compiling all organizations and we can post it on the website. We can also circulate a google doc., Anyone from a house of worship who wants to be represented as a supporter can add his information.

Emrah Erduran: we will have to get consent from individuals to post their names.

Dave Garofalo: it is more that we want to let them know that we are here for them. Promoting and Supporting their church and events.

- 7.6 Marsha Rechsteiner: We are giving away "Community Day of Service" 2020 wristbands for you to distribute to your congregations. Contact Marsha and she will have them ready for pick-up at her home. [MarshaRechsteiner@verizon.net](mailto:MarshaRechsteiner@verizon.net)

9. City Council Meeting Zoom Invocations - Organized by Kelly Frankiewicz

Monday, October 5 \_\_\_\_\_ Maha Ragab

Monday, October 19 \_\_\_\_\_ Patti Mercado

Monday, November 2 \_\_\_\_\_ James Pike

Monday, November 16 \_\_\_\_\_ Charlie Niederman

Monday, December 7 \_\_\_\_\_ (New 's Pastor)

Monday, December 21 \_\_\_\_\_ Scott Wilson

10. Next Monthly Zoom meeting: Tues, October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020

11. Announcements:

1. Robin Braithwaite: SHIP (faith-based shelter) still needs more Personal Advisors. If you know anyone willing to advise homeless guests, please send me a private chat or email [kntbrthwt@aol.com](mailto:kntbrthwt@aol.com)
2. Natalie Moser: Cultural Cinema Showcase for both Asian-Pacific Heritage and Hispanic-Latinx Heritage are coming up in October!. Include film screenings & moderated panel [https://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/boards\\_commissions/human\\_relation\\_task\\_force.cfm](https://www.huntingtonbeachca.gov/government/boards_commissions/human_relation_task_force.cfm)
3. Natalie Moser: City of HB Navigation Center Info: Community Webinars- View the recent webinar and watch the next two coming up on 10/1 and 10/8. <https://www.hbhomelessolutions.com/uncategorized/elementor-902/> Session 1- Building and Funding - Session 2- Operating the Navigation Center - Session 3- Enhancing Public Safety in the Area.
4. Don Garrick: the Newport Mesa Irvine Interfaith Council's Interfaith Thanksgiving Celebration will be at 7:00 P.M. on Sunday, immediately following our GHBIC event.

12. Closing inspiration: Marilyn Anania