



Minutes- Monthly Council Meeting
Zoom meeting, Tuesday, May 25th, 2021, 8:00 – 9:30 AM

1. Call to order: Penny Nichols – President
2. Opening inspiration: Rabbi Steve Einstein
3. Self-introductions as usual.
4. Program/Speaker –Interim Chief Julian Harvey - Huntington Beach Police Department.

Chief Harvey acknowledged GHBIC’s heavy involvement in the community. He talked about the recent events and the police dept success rate in crime prevention and traffic control. The “Hope Program” is expected to launch in the summer. It is a mobile crisis response to handle a variety of mental health calls, rather than dispatching police when no violence, crime or weapons events is unfolding. The two-person civilian team with a medical technician and a counselor is an innovative approach for better solutions to this crisis. It allows officers to stay in their places and fulfill their expected 4-6 minutes emergency response.

The navigation center is a positive addition to the city, it provides resources, coordinates donations and help the police to enforce the law.

The council thanked Chief Harvey and appreciate Captain Haught’s involvement with the council.

5. April Minutes approved as written
6. Treasurer’s Report - Emrah Erduran

Bank account Balance for May 18th ----- \$ 5309.99

7. Old Business:
 - 7.1 Prayer Breakfast Report – A very successful program. We are in debt to Matt Liffreing, who produced a great quality video. We had audience from outside the council and city officials who appreciated the quality and the presentations. About 27 people participated in the Live Watch Party that Natalie organized and we had many views on YouTube and on the website. We thank the committee for a job well-done, Penny for creating the musical prayer videos and Janet Ewell for chairing the committee.

7.2 Nominating committee – Marsha Rechsteiner.

Marsha announced the slate of nominees and thanked their willingness to serve. Many important positions had to be filled and with prayers, the committee was able to pull it together. Voting on the slate will occur in the June meeting.

Marsha also Amendment to Bylaws adding a 4th Member At Large position for Communication/Publicity for 2021/2022: Jynene Johnson.

Slate of Proposed GHBIC officers for the year 2021/2022

President: Maneck Bhujwala (new)

Vice President: Rev. Pattie Mercado (currently an at-large member)

Secretary: Janet Ewell (new)

Treasurer: Emrah Erduran

Member-at-large: Rabbi Steve Einstein

Member-at-large: Rev. Judy Osuna (new)

Member-at-large: Lachelle Carozza (new)

Member-at-large Communication/Publicity (new): Jynene Johnson (We will vote to amend the Bylaws adding this new position)

Immediate Past President: Marsha Rechsteiner

Penny Nichols and Marsha decided together that Marsha would stay in the latter position for continuity of the role, as Penny might be moving.

8. New Business:

8.1 Publicity Committee tabled.

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

Tuesday, June 8th _____ Deacon Joe Sullivan

Tuesday, June 22nd _____ Maneck Bhujwala

Tuesday, July 6th _____ Pat Goodman

Tuesday, July 20th _____

Tuesday, August 3rd _____ Maha Ragab

10. Next Monthly Zoom meeting: Tues, June 29th, 2021

11. Announcements were shared and sent by email.

1. Looking for faith leaders or services providers with interest in helping human trafficking survivors, etc. josephsullivan@verizon.net

2. Looking for responsible adults, especially younger people to work with sheltered people. kntbrthwt@aol.com

12. Closing inspiration: Marcy Tieger