

Maidu Neighborhood Association
Monthly Meeting Minutes
January 2024

Amendment #1

(Changes include references regarding Bob & Penny Beingessner, adding Susie Williams as a committee member, identifying Greg Turnquist and Gina Evans as new neighbors, and clarification regarding gluten-free cookies.)

Date of Meeting: January 23, 2024

Time of Meeting: Maidu Neighborhood Association (MNA) meeting called to order by President Mary Steele at 6:34 p.m. at Sargeant Elementary School multipurpose building.

Attendance: Officer/Board Members present (who signed the sign-in sheet): Mary Steele, Jim Kidd, Shirley Brown, Melinda Shrader, Vicki Miller, Scott Reid, and Lance Hibben; plus neighbors: Susie Williams, Judy Coburn, Ken Dick, Greg Turnquist, Gina Evans, and Bob & Penny Beingessner.

Roseville

Police report: Police Lieutenant Rob Pratt covered a variety of topics including incidents during November and December involving kids disturbing Maidu neighbors and causing minor property damages; the Police Department's "Operation Grinch" adding 10-15 officers during the Christmas shopping season to deter retail theft (over 150 arrests); a new Police Ford F-150 to be used to patrol bike trails and open spaces addressing homeless camp issues; responded to a recent TV news update concerning the April 2023 Mahaney Park hostage/shootout situation resulting with policy changes requiring better coordination from outside law enforcement agencies when serving arrest warrants within Roseville; use of Roseville drones assisting the City of Citrus Heights apprehension of a murder suspect captured in Roseville; status of Police Department staffing levels/hiring for three open officer positions; and responded to a question about parking enforcement on city streets.

Roseville Fire
Dept. Report:

No Report this month.

Visitor Forum:

New neighbors, Greg Turnquist and Gina Evans living on

Bunker Hill introduced themselves.

Minutes from
prior meeting:

The November 2023 meeting minutes were approved. There was no meeting in December.

Treasurer's
Report:

Shirley Brown reported the current account balance at \$3,470.54.

RCONA report:

Jim Kidd reported the following RCONA topics:

- Roseville Electric Utility Department announced a 9% rate increase effective January 2024 and another 9% increase effective January 2025. The Utility Department is offering customer workshops related to transitioning to these increased costs.
- RCONA is providing a year-end review available on their website.
- RCONA is planning another Spring Cleanup campaign during April-May 2024 providing dates and locations on their website. This year, Maidu Park will not be used as a collection site due to traffic congestion issues that occurred in 2023. In 2024, the closest cleanup location for Maidu neighbors will be at Saugstad Park on Douglas Blvd.

Recognition:

There was a discussion concerning the recent passing of neighbor Larry Arkus, his Celebration of Life at Maidu Community Center, and memories of his involvement with the MNA over the years.

Old Business:

Two new Block Captains are needed to fill routes vacated by Alan Bartley and Debbie Bellinger.

December 5th Santa Parade recap included recognition congratulating Mary Hoff and her team of Shirley Brown, Judy Coburn and Susie Williams. Planning was well organized

resulting in a successful event with good neighbor participation. Improvement ideas included providing more gluten-free cookies and no coffee or candy canes next time. Documenting procedures will also be beneficial in the future.

Mary Steele will take over the effort to work with the office of our County Supervisor regarding the MNA application requesting funds to provide a Movie-In-The-Park (MITP) event in 2024.

The Block Captain dinner was not announced in the MNA December Newsletter; however, Mary Steele plans to contact all Block Captains to determine how many plan to attend. It is scheduled for February 27th at 6:00 p.m. prior to the monthly MNA meeting. Mary routed a sign-up sheet encouraging people to volunteer for specific preparation tasks for the dinner. The budget was tentatively set at \$500 during the November meeting.

New Business: RCONA is offering fund raising opportunities to neighborhood associations in 2024. Opportunities are for \$100 to associations that provide two volunteers who work together assisting in the upcoming voting operations on Super Tuesday.

The annual MNA Garage Sale event is set for Saturday, April 27, 2024. Due to recent RCONA legal clarifications, our terminology using “raffle prizes” needs to be changed to “participation prizes” and neighbor participation does not require a “fee” but suggests a “donation”.

Our new President, Mary Steele wants to increase the MNA presence on social media, particularly on Facebook. This effort is intended to increase visibility for the MNA and related future issues/opportunities, increase participation, and use as a platform for new funding ideas.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:38 p.m.

Secretary: Lance Hibben