

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES MARCH 5, 2024

Present: President Kenyon, Commander Kenyon, Cari Olvera, Tom Berezny, Haley Escheman (PC Dept of Health), Joyce Finkelstein, David McAllister Romo, Karl Wagner, Edie Mulesky

Call To Order: President Kenyon called the meeting to order at 1:30pm

Commander Kenyon: The Commander updated possible changes in the Telecare program at the Peaks. He also mentioned the future of the PC bracelet program for seniors is in question. Further, the Commander shared a recent incident with an Alzheimer patient who went missing.

Karl Wagner: Detailed an incident with a homeless person living in his car, he was going to check on him and look into housing availability.

Cari Olvera: Cari mentioned Northwest Hospital is hosting Sahuarita High School students, teaching them CPR and first aid skills. She also mentioned they are still working on the MRI machine. Cari also shared the hospital has seen some bat bite patients. She also mentioned the hospital will have a booth at the First Responders Fair. She also mentioned the hospital has been present at several recent community events.

Haley Escheman: Haley discussed her work on finding out GV health service needs and how best to meet those needs, including how best to integrate health care workers into GV. Haley fielded questions on where they will be in GV. Commander Kenyon offered a tour of the community including our neighbors to the south, Amado and Arivaca.

Tom Berezny: Tom suggested the building that previously housed Community Health Services is a possibility and detailed the many services they had provided.

Joyce Finklestein: Joyce mentioned the Voluntary Clearinghouse workshop had 50 nonprofit participants in attendance. She also stated the focus for next year will be opportunities for everyone to learn more about volunteerism and to detail what the Volunteer Clearinghouse does. She further mentioned the Rotary has plans to involve Sahuarita School students to explore options for after graduation.

President Kenyon: President Kenyon detailed the February visit by Mary Derby and Jen Mullins from Wastewater Reclamation regarding possibly partnering with GVC. She also reported PC Health Department had requested a table at the First Responders Fair to give vaccinations and to bring the Syphilis van, which President Kenyon did not allow. The President also reported there have been no issues with homeless camps in GV. She also detailed the work of the Emergency Responders in GV, as well as explaining how GVC works with PC leaders.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30

Respectfully Submitted, Edie Mulesky