

TVBP Sept. 5, 2018 minutes of meeting

Tierra Verde Business Partnership outgoing President Hunter Grose called the lunch meeting at Tony & Nello's at noon on Sept. 5, 2018 to order. Using a golden microphone, Grose asked the group of 17 to take turns with member introductions. Two TD Bank staffers were among those: Yaneke Robinson-Rodriguez and Colleen Kurtz.

Jack Parker gave a brief round-up of what Tierra Verde Community Association has in the works: underground utilities, getting rid of abandoned boats and overseeing somehow island rentals.

Dan Reichard said ads for this year's directory are ahead of last year at this time. He hopes to have all member listings and ads by Nov. 1 with a mailing in early December.

Grose talked about new board members, Sylvia Lusink and Ron Goldberg. Elections are next month. Several officer positions are open.

For Oktoberfest, Grose said plans are well underway. The event is Saturday, Oct. 20 from 4 to 9 p.m. Insurance, clean up and the band are all costly so sponsors are needed. Next organizational meeting is Sept. 13 at 10 a.m. at the fire station.

Gaye Wurzbacher reported on the Dec. 1, 2018 Tree Lighting. A new tree company has been found, one that services surrounding communities. The Tree Lighting in its 8<sup>th</sup> year builds community service and all the residents and friends like it from the pet parade to the kids' activities.

Rich Gonlin said the new company Clark will provide a taller tree and a better looking one.

In future years, decorating more of the community may be possible but for now TV lacks power sources. New this year is the one raffle ticket for each person bringing an unwrapped toy for the fire dept.'s annual toy drive. TD Bank is now recognized as a diamond sponsor for its continuous donations. TVBP members will get a free space to share and can pay more to have a parking lot space all for themselves. Reichard said publicity will include an insert in the Nov. Paradise News plus lots of social media, including Facebook. This also includes Oktoberfest.

TVBP will discuss ways to honor Capt. Larry Thompson who retires Jan. 2019. The TV fire dept. has been instrumental in all TVBP events in all sorts of ways!

Oct. 3 mixer is at Nava Yoga at 5:30 p.m. in Isla Del Sol. And finally, Egmont Key Alliance's Richard Sanchez announced a new date for the annual Discover the Island. It's Nov. 3 and 4. About 155 turtle nests are on Egmont; a huge increase from 50 to 80 in past years.

TVBP meeting is over about 12:45 p.m.