

Jonestown Night Sky Advocacy

**Tuesday, February 21, 2023
Zoom Meeting, 5:30 pm**

The Zoom JDSA meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Mark Grossman, committee chairman. Members in attendance for the meeting were: Mark Grossman (Chairman), Anne Morley, David Morley, Lecia Ellis, Meshell Counterman, Darla Ekrut and Patti Johnson. Those not in attendance: Laura Gatannah, Colleen O'Brien, Linda Bush and Ann DePrato.

Secretary Report

Minutes from the previous January 18, 2023, meeting were reviewed and approved by the attending committee members. Darla Ekrut made a motion to approve, and Lecia Ellis second the motion.

Treasurer Report

David Morley gave the treasurer report to the committee. He stated that Colleen O'Brien will be filing our Form 990 to the IRS this year and our State Franchise Tax. Also he included a report on the budget approved by the City Council.

IDA Application Update (Sub Committee)

Lecia Ellis reported that we have submitted our rough draft of our IDSA committee for review. We will be submitting our application by February 28, 2023. She thanked everyone for all their help and hard work in getting the application ready for submission. She thanked David Morley for creating and keeping up with our JNSA Action List. Lecia also went over all the activities we have accomplished in such a short time.

Item #1 Hollows Annual POA Meeting 2/25/2023

We will have a table with educational information (brochures and our president's letter to HOA/POA(s) and a light display. Meshell, Mark, Laura and Colleen will attend and talk with homeowners.

Items needed for the POA Meeting

Tables, table covers, lighting display, extension cord, signup sheets, clipboard, brochures, HOA/POA letter from our President, posterboard easel and candy.

Item #2 Be a Star Program

A discussion was held on how to approach the lighting examples we are submitting and nominating (businesses and residents) to be "BE A STAR"! Lots of discussion was held by the committee on how to get this program off the ground; especially before Cajan Fest. Several ideas were shared, but no decisions were made.

Item #3 Community Commitment to Dark Skies and Success in Light Pollution

Darla and David will continue to follow up with PEC on a confirmation of replacing any streetlights. A discussion was held by committee to follow up with the PEC on a confirmation of replacing City owned streetlight bulbs, and when these lights will be

replaced with bulbs that meet Dark Sky compliance. Also, a discussion was held on our continued efforts to work with Businesses and Residential lighting projects that we can use as examples of night sky lighting compliance. If committee members see new builds that are not is compliant with the Dark Sky City Ordinance, contact the City Building Dept., please contact the City Building Dept.

JNSA Attending Future Events

Jonestown Cajan Fest (4/1/2023) North Shore Chamber Event (JDSA will have a booth)
JNSA will have a booth at the Jonestown Street Fair. (JTown Street Fair, Saturday, September 23, 2023) 10 am – 4 pm
Lago Fest (4/22/2023)
Northshore Craft Beer Festival (11/23)

Adjournment and Date for the Next Meeting

The committee’s decision was to have the next JDSA Zoom Meeting on March 20, 2023, at 5:30 pm. Anne Morley made a motion to adjourn the present JSDA meeting, and Patti Johnson, 2nd the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 pm.

_____ Recorder of Minutes
Patti Johnson

_____ Committee Chairman (President)
Mark Grossman

Date _____