

Jonestown Night Sky Advocacy

Monthly Zoom Meeting

Monday, July 14, 2025, 5:30 pm

Call to Order: 5:38pm

Members attending: Heather Henfrey, Darla Ekrut, Lecia Ellis, Mark Grossman, David Morley, Anne Morley

Approve the May Meeting Minutes: All approved

Treasurer Report: Bank Balance \$3,198.83

- Expenses:
 - Madwire \$348.00
 - Go Daddy \$186.53
- Deposits:
 - COJ Reim. \$557.50

Submitted Budget to COJ. Received one round of comments.

President's Update:

- Hill Country Night Sky Conference 5/22/25 Mark and Lecia Present-Great Attendance Many highly elected officials involved in the Hill Country DarkSky efforts. HCA excellent resource
- 19 new sites in progress. The movement is rapidly growing-Big Bend National Park, presented by Amber Harrison (Regional Manager)
- COJ needs to set examples for citizens, Helping and Recognizing Businesses very helpful -Kerrville Dark Sky Ordinance, Dalton Rice explained this was instrumental for them
- Door hangers-Kerrville Dark Sky Ordinance, Dalton Rice
- Lesson Plans introduced into schools-Kerrville Dark Sky Ordinance, Dalton Rice
- We need to start working with businesses as soon as we can get this membership packet complete; it is very important for us to move forward.
- **Seeing is Believing!!**
- NLT Chamber Luncheon 5/21/25 David and I attended. We have met the new NLTC Executive Director Allison Sargent
- Crowd Science Recording -Mark submitted a recording on our behalf. Could possibly result in being selected for a BBC podcast. The recording was to describe what you see at night.
- Please take the DarkSky Home Outdoor Lighting Assessment, even if your lights are not compliant. Good Training for future Assessments. It will be interesting to see what everyone's assessment is. This is just for good practice! Let's all do this before

the next meeting in August. Link for Home Outdoor Lighting Assessment
<https://darksky.org/get-involved/home-lighting-assessment/>

Open Discussion

NLT Chamber door prize basket donation is basically done; we just need our sign and membership packet. Meshell and Lecia will put the basket together and it will be ready for the September NLTC meeting

Permeant SQM locations – Mark Grossman working with the city.

JNSA Membership Program

- Membership Signs and cards ordered
- Membership Packets-Decided to use a black folder for Membership Packet (place for our business card inside folder)
- New business cards ordered to correct the QR code. (City changed location on website)
- Ann D will add the membership application page to the website.
- Talked about the pick-up process for the membership packet. Galen at the city library is willing to have the pick-up be at the library.

Newsletter: Minuteman dropped the ball on the newsletters while waiting on the city to mail them a check for postage. Anne got them moving again and changed the date to August.

We need to review the City Ordinance for Landscape Lighting guidelines.

Liberty Hill will announce their DarkSky Designation July 23rd at their City Council Meeting 6:00pm

Congratulations to Liberty Hill. Mark and Lecia will attend.

Ann DePrato left the COJ, but will continue to monitor our info@jonestown.com

We will donate \$200 to flood victims (Jonestown/Sandy Creek Area) something.

Voted on having meetings at 7pm instead of 5:30. Everyone voted to stay at 5:30.

2025 Significant Dates

NLTC Luncheon with Door Prize Basket September 17, 2025, 11:30am

Jonestown Street Fair September 27, 2025

JNSA's Annual Star Party at Jones Brothers Park – October 19, 2025. 8-10pm

Next meeting: August 11 at 5:30pm.

ADJOURNED: 7:03pm