

Jonestown Night Sky Advocacy Monthly Meeting Minutes November 13, 2023

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Call to Order: 5:36pm

In attendance: Colleen O'Brien, Lecia Ellis, Mark Grossman, Meshshell Counterman, Anne

Morley, David Morley, Darla Ekrut

October Meeting Minutes: Unanimously Approved

Secretary - Treasurer's report Checking Balance \$2,940.76

• This includes the following:

Star Party \$153
Jonestown Street Fair \$220
Sale of Eclipse Glasses: \$ 64

- Need to work on how to get the donations on the website to the bank account. Mark or Lecia will be looking into this.
- Anne created a QR code to put by the donation box for people who have credit cards.
- Star Party: Sent donation to the Astronomical Association and sent gift card to the Astronomer.

President's report:

- Discussion about sending out a mass mailing to Jonestown residents informing them about the
 City Lighting Ordinance and sending them the Dark Sky card showing responsible lighting. And
 thanking those that are complying with the ordinance. Thinking to send it after we get certified.
 Mark is looking into costs and how to get the addresses.
- We cancelled the PO Box to save money. Mail now goes to Lighthouse Estates General Box

17509 Lighthouse Lane Jonestown, TX 78645-4476

Need to update address on checking account, website, and brochures.

- Mark and Meshell spoke to the Nothlake Hills POA about responsible lighting at their annual meeting. It went well.
- Friends of the Library helped sell Eclipse glasses. We need to order more before April.
- Mark trained Anne, Lecia, and Meshell how to do SQM readings with the new meters.
- We need to think of new graphic ideas for the City Marque.

City Of Jonestown IDA Application under committee review on November 12, 2023

• No update as of the meeting.

Star Party

- We had 94 attendees.
- It was extremely successful.
- The popcorn was a huge hit.
- Some people brought their own telescopes.
- One of the presenters brought his computer and monitor with great star photos.

2023-2024 Planning

- A countdown for the Total Eclipse on our website would be nice. Lecia to ask Ann D.
- Total Eclipse April 8, 2024
- Implementing BE A STAR Program David Morley to start this program in January.
- Present Austin Stone an Award To work on in January.
- Membership program-similar to Blanco County Lecia/Mark to research.
- Cajun Fest is April 6, 2024

Pick a date for the next meeting! January 8, 2024

Adjourn: 6:55pm