



General Meeting, January 28th, 2010 Blue Iguana Restaurant

Approval of Minutes-Ede moved to accept the minutes of the Jan.21, 2010 meeting. Mike seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

Mike Beck introduced Comanante Trujillo and his partner who are visiting and giving their remarks on the question “How can we help each other out to make Sayulita a safe place to live and visit?”

Sr. Trujillo asked GPS to help to put a telephone and furnishings into the police station on the beach. A dedicated, unique cell phone number would always be manned at that station. The personnel is being hired and trained through the Municipio. Watch the minutes for that cell phone number and it will be posted on El Sayulero when established. This will no doubt be before Semana Santa.

We need donations of a desk, several chairs, a shelving unit, a fan, a water cooler and a small settee. Contact Tuck at 329-291-3685 or 322-121-9327 for donations of furnishings or email jmt@tuck-id.com .

Sr. Trujillo has stressed the need for those who have a crime to report to report it in Buscerias. This is not an easy task but must be undertaken because if a report is not filed there can be no investigation and even if a suspect is apprehended, within 36 hours they must be released if there is no report on file.

These are very busy times for these policemen as they are responsible for 4 towns. The Tourist Police are state level police and can investigate once a report has been filed whereas the Municipal Police can immediately investigate a problem when they are called to help. There were 25 cases of theft before the last meeting of the police and local citizens and only 3 in the last 15 days. People must be very aware of their things on the beach and not leave them unattended. People must also secure their homes and cars. Do not leave items out on decks and do not leave windows open that do not have bars on them.

We are not able right now to have a ‘beat cop’ on duty but so far this season, 5 people have been arrested for criminal acts here in town. When you phone the police make sure you give
-a thorough description of the person-clothing, height, weight
-your house name, the street and possibly cross street name or a close by recognized landmark. Remember that there is an active Neighbourhood Watch group in town-look for their signs in your neighbourhood. Chayo Placencia and Heather McCaulay are working on this plan.

PUT THESE NUMBERS INTO YOUR CELL PHONE:

Comanante Trujillo cell number-322-142-6907

Comanante Andrade cell number- 322-109-7811

Policia Valle-29 10049 or 29-10666

Dr. Moises also has a 24 hr. number and will help with the Spanish if needed: 322-779-0577

Treasurer's Report- Cheryl Vaughn has noted that in GPS general funds we have \$168,337.46p for program funding and in the Waste Water Treatment Account there is \$139,993.34p. Recent payments have been made for operating the Pipa Truck, for the AED and will also go to pay the truck insurance and for shelving units for the Math and Science materials at the Elementary School.

Eric Rudd announced that the website is up and running and available for people to order memberships and get their free fiesta ticket through Paypal. Go to www.prosayulita.org to get your tickets or donate to GPS programs. Tickets will be put aside in your name at the door.

Fiesta Committee –Janet Anderson- Procurement forms are available to go to volunteers. Volunteers are needed to work at the event and can contact Janet at janeta333@hotmail.com Or Suzanne at guysuz@mercuryspeed.com . The committee is looking for larger, live auction items that could really be a draw for fundraising. Let the committee know your feelings.

Education Committee-Cheryl Vaughn- Classes are in their second week with 45 kids , 20 volunteers, and wonderful commitment from the director. The locking cupboards are in place with the Math and Science equipment. Volunteers are needed to categorize books for the library, to run the library, and to tutor kids in English. We are also in need of more shelving units for library books.

AED- Mike Beck- Dr. Moises has the AED under contract for one year. He is the only one trained at the moment and he is working on setting up training in CPR and the AED for the community. His office is between the plaza and Rollie's on Avenue Revolucion.

Recycling/Trash: Monica Jimenez reported that the calendars are ready for pickup of organics and so are the fridge magnets. She is coordinating a workshop with the elementary kids through Cheryl and the director. The plastics and cardboard sales are going well. Every bottle and every bit of paper and cardboard helps to pay for the collection and wages. Say hello to the men working on the truck- Gustavo, Phillipe, and Miguel. Monica is looking to buy a glass cutter and grinder to make glassware from recycled bottles to sell to support the program. Email Monica at sayulitarecycl@yaho.com.mx if you have time to volunteer.

Traffic and Streets-Eric Rudd-GIRRSA has yet to hand out the materials in town to tell about the 10 areas they have planned and when the pickups are to be and how the bell ringer will work. The street washing is ongoing.

***If anyone wants one of the nice wooden recycling and garbage boxes that are being built through Punta Sayulita, take 700pesos down to Punta Sayulita to have one built especially for you!

Animal Clinic (Cherrie Olson) :The Spay and Neuter clinic is in full swing and ends tomorrow the 29th January. There have been many volunteers and they are doing 15-20 operations a day. If you can get strays to the clinic they will be taken care of. All of the cat traps are here and will

soon be in use to control feral cats. It is possible to help out with donations of money, time or a place for visiting vets to stay. There is still a real need for foster homes for adoptable animals.

Look for the minutes on the website, www.prosayulita.org and remember that fiesta tickets come free with membership this year, both of which are available to purchase through Paypal on the site.

Next meeting February 04, 2010 at noon at Blue Iguana Restaurant.