

Park Springs Neighborhood Association Held Spring Meeting on May 2

The Park Springs Neighborhood Association held its spring meeting on Tuesday, May 2 at TerrAdorna Event Center which is located at 10900 Hibbs Lane. TerrAdorna is approximately 10 miles southeast of Manor.

The guest speaker for the meeting was Christine Canul who is the senior program director for Keep Texas Beautiful which is a grass-roots organization that coordinates litter prevention and beautification activities on a state-wide basis.

Steven Van Dyck representing the Webberville Solar Plant gave an update on the plant which is a 35 megawatt plant located on 280 acres near Webberville. The power generated from the plant can provide electrical services to 5,000 homes.

PSNA member Jon Beall reported on the recently completed Aergon Asphalt Plant located on Old 20 and Old Kimbro Road. Residents in the neighborhoods including Bell Farms and Carriage Hills have noticed odors when the plant was first "fired up". Since April 17, the TCEQ (Texas Commission on Environmental Quality) has received 8 complaints about odors. The plant manager has stated that pollution control devices are in the process of being connected as the construction has just completed and these devices should take care of the odors.

Other members voiced concerns about the dust that is raised from the adjoining Iron Horse Plant located on Littig Road at Old Kimbro Road.

Concerns were also raised about weekend shooting of what appears to be rapid fire guns around midnight on Friday and Saturday nights in the area surrounding Jones Road and on Hibbs Lane. Residents were urged to call 3-1-1 if they hear rapid fire gun shots. Travis County Sheriffs have been called but they have not been able to locate anyone firing guns upon their arrival.

PNA member and Emergency Services District 12 Commissioner Ron Fowler gave an update on the proposed fire station to be constructed on Hogeye Road. He reported that payment has been made to the City of Austin for the site plan approval. Even though the proposed station has a Manor address, the location is within the City of Austin extra-territorial jurisdiction and must adhere to City of Austin building regulations.

Fowler also noted that the Fire station located on Parsons Street and three blocks from downtown Manor is at full capacity. Plans are being made to purchase a modular building to house the administrative staff separate from the fire-fighting staff members.

The Park Springs Neighborhood Association (PSNA) was founded in May, 1998 by a group of neighbors who were concerned about projects that were detrimental to the neighborhood.

2017 officers include President Maura Phelan, Vice President Tom West, Treasurer Rod Castilleja, Secretary Vicki McFarland, Webmaster Sharon Bramblett and At-Large Board members Jon Beall and Laura Holland.

Membership boundaries are US 290 on the north, FM 973 on the west, FM 969 on the south, and the Travis-Bastrop county line on the east. Everyone residing in this area is welcome to join and attend meetings. Dues are \$20 per year based upon a calendar year of May, 2017 through April, 2018.

PSNA is not affiliated with any home owners group or association. Everyone residing in this area is welcome to join and attend meetings. Come meet your neighbors!!