

**Minutes**  
**Volunteer Program Advisory**  
**Board**  
**June 15, 2020**  
**6:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.**  
**Via Zoom**

*Mission Statement: "To foster goodwill and community spirit in Fairfax through volunteer activities "*

Members in attendance: Geo Taylor, Marcia Custer, Georgia Gibbs, Veronica Geretz, Jesse Hoffman, Chance Cutrano. Staff in attendance: Maria Baird, Recreation & Community Services Manager

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. The minutes of the February 28<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved.

**1) Reports**

- **Chair** – Geo announced the Fairfax Volunteers received \$3,000 from a donor in San Francisco following the TV news broadcast of the 1:1 volunteer match
- **Treasurer-** Marcia reported the Volunteer's remaining Town allocated funds is \$727.37, and the checking account balance is \$9058; bringing the overall total to \$9,795.49.
- **Coordinator-** Maria announced will purchase 2 more sign holders at a cost of \$150. She will also ask the Fairfax Community Church to bill for the rent for the food pantry for the next quarter, which will amount to \$300. Melanie Peratis submitted receipts for \$198 for supplies for the community garden. That will use up the remaining funds for this fiscal year.
- **Discussion** –the group would like to pursue cleaning the downtown area of debris using the trash pickers which were purchased for creek clean-up. Maria will check with the Town if this is acceptable.

**2) New Business**

**a) Community Sit Bolinas Park -**

- this event is scheduled for Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup> from 6-7 at Bolinas Park. Veronica has received approval from the Police Chief. Maria added that the Marin County Parks has stated the following types of events are allowed:
    - protests/demonstration – up to 100 people
    - outdoor church services
    - recreation classes
    - children's camps- up to 12 attendees
- Maria suggested the Community Sit can fall under the recreation classes.

- b) Connecting time** –Geo added that it is important to serve as a support system for the community during this time. Some ideas for this include offering more Community Sits. Some other suggestions included doing a video time capsule to capture the moment.
- c) Volunteer 1:1 match during COVID-19 crisis-** Maria described the program that was put into place by Town Council Member Stephanie Hellman and Mayor Renee Goddard at the beginning of the Corona Virus outbreak. It is a program that pairs volunteers with people in need. So far, the program has 148 volunteers and 48 people that are requesting services, such as grocery shopping, prescription pick-up, dog walking, and other errands. The group will see if they can tap into volunteers that have not been matched up with a person in crisis.
- d) Cancellation of events for remainder of year-** Maria stated that creek clean-up and the picnic have been cancelled at this time. No large events will be allowed by the County through September, and most likely until the end of the year. The group will determine if the holiday wreath making can be held depending on the status of the pandemic later in the year.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for July 27.