



Monument Manor Neighborhood Association

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MMNA Board Meeting

January 10, 2026, 10 am on Zoom

Minutes for this meeting approved at February 7, 2026 Board Meeting

Happy New Year!!!

Zoom invitation was sent to all board members.

Agenda

1. Call to Order 10:11am – Terry Stone
Board Zoom Attendance: Linda Doyle, Terry Stone, Daniel Brenner, Diane Kuntz, Joe Ingram
Board Not In Attendance: Will Harner, Bill Gilman
2. Review and approve June 3, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes – Daniel Brenner
- Minutes for June 3rd meeting were sent to Board prior to meeting. Terry asked if there were any questions/discussion. JOE made motion to accept June 3, 2025 minutes. DIANE seconded motion. No objections were noted. All in attendance were in favor. Minutes were adopted.

TO DO: Linda will post approved minutes on MMNA website. **Done✓**

3. Reports
- **Treasurer's Report** Prepared by Joe Ingram

Please find the attached 2025 Year End Treasurers Report and the comparison to years 2023 and 2024. As you will see upon review, the main takeaways from this report are our final year end balance in our accounts: \$24,440.02. (That includes \$620.66 that is currently in our Paypal account.)

Our total revenues from contributions were \$13,650.47. That was decrease of \$7,515 or approx. 36%. We spent a total of \$19,100 on road work and fill dirt, all with Sean Molina of Molina Tractor Works. That's \$8,865 more than we spent in 2024 but \$410 less than we spent in 2023.

Most other expenses remained at or about prior years expenses.

Our total number of association contributors dropped to 67 or 31%. That's decrease of approx. 26%.

Discussion: Terry is concerned about drop in donations/drop in number of contributors. She believes we need to make this a topic for discussion at our annual meeting in March. Diane would like to reach out to STR folks and get a conversation started. She believes we need a personal touch with neighbors. Linda suggested that our invited guest, Danielle Wall (rattlesnake rangler) may draw a crowd. Joe feels that we

could also be a victim of our own success. People may think we are doing great. Daniel asked if we can out contact information for all the STRs in the Manor. He would be willing to help find the information. Daniel believes this data could help us target more STRs. We need to also match where STRs are located with where we do road repairs. Joe would like a map showing location of STRs, location of who has contributed, location of absent landowners. It was suggested that Joe and Daniel could put that together. Linda suggested that Diane and Bill could write an email to all STR owners re: contributions to the roads. Diane suggested we do a road work party this spring. Linda suggested that updating our ownership database with new property owners, having Daniell Wall at the meeting, discussing the issue of contributions at the meeting, and Diane’s approach to a personal outreach may help us boost donations.

Other important items to report:

As was brought up in our June meeting, we did not file federal or state income taxes, as was done in previous years. As I had already pointed out, I attempted to file taxes by contacting Rarick and Associates in Yucca Valley, who had done our previous years' tax filings, but was told we didn't need to file a tax return, as we are a non-profit organization. I feel like the early April contact time frame was a problem. No further action was taken.

Joe is not sure we need to fill out tax filing paperwork because of the conversation he had with the Rarick accountant in April 2025. Terry believes we may not need to do this.

TO DO: Joe will contact Rarick this month to ask about filing income tax paperwork.

SIGNS/BARRIERS

Joe believes all the signs/barriers are stored at Geary’s Old Vine property. At some point Joe will move the signs/barriers to his home but for now they can remain at the Old Vine property.

Year	2023	2024	2025
Accounting Period	1/1 – 12/31	1/1-12/31	1/1- 12/31
Revenue			
Cash Contributions	20,945.00	21,015.00	13,499.20
bank account interest	1.27	0.96	1.27
Highway mailbox key deposits	150		150
Direct payment of expenses by board members	60.9	0	0
Total Revenues	\$21,156.17	\$21,165.00	\$13,650.47
Expenses			
Tractor and other road services	8935	6110	16,425
Fill dirt	10575	4125	2,675
Liability insurance	1927.06	1634.98	2,109.29
Equipment (signs, barricades)	472.21	477.09	0
PO box rental	194	200	?
Mailings	186.4	131.5	?
Website	264		52.20
PayPal fees	157.65	286.46	101.13

Highway mailbox lock replacement	160	150	0
Zoom subscription	149.9	159.9	159.90
Incorporation fees	25	0	0
Tax consulting and return preparation	225	225	0
Printing	62.64	39.16	0
Bank supplies	227.06	0	0
Total Expenses	\$23,560.92	\$13,539.09	\$21,595.56
Ending Checking Account balance	\$21,875.44	\$29,652.31	\$24,440.02
Number of contributors	92	90	67
Participation	43%	42%	31%

Finances Notes

1. Ending checking account balance reflects actual account balance according to most recent bank statement, dated _____ 2025.
2. All electronic payments via Zelle and Paypal up to the date of the current bank statement are reflected in that account balance.
3. Proposed expenses for pending road work and other expenses have not been deducted from that account balance.
4. According to last years report, Monument Manor includes 260 parcels, with 212 unique owners, 8 miles of maintained unpaved roads.
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Terry asked Joe if he would consider staying on a Treasurer until we elect a new one. Joe stated he will be Treasurer and Acting Roads Chair for now. Joe will be placed on the election ballot for Roads Chair at the March Annual Meeting.

PAYPAL ACCOUNT

Daniel needs to close the PayPal account. Joe is not sure how to shutdown the PayPal account. Joe believes we can close the account now but we need to transfer the funds in the account to our bank account. Joe asked Linda to contact the two property owners who regularly donate to MMNA through PayPal.

TO DO: Terry will reach out to Geary to transfer the money in the PayPal account to our bank account.

TO DO: Linda will send an email to Donette Swain and Jesse Ditson, letting them know that MMNA is no longer accepting PayPal donations. **Done✓**

- **Roads/Signs Report** – Joe

1. We have a current bid for repair work out with Molina Tractor Works, for repairs of Uphill road in the coming weeks. Once Joe gets the bid he will contact the board for approval.

- **Mailboxes** -- Linda

- Buddy French, owner of property on Singletree was given a mailbox (RIGHT #11) when he bought the property from Mark Wheeler a few years ago. Buddy has never paid the one-time fee for the mailbox and he appeared to never use the mailbox as the box was packed with old/new mail. Linda worked with JT post office to remove the mail and have them return to Buddy French. Then the JT post office replaced the mailbox lock/keys for RIGHT #11 and charged MMNA \$50. Linda took possession of the new keys and mailbox and put a DO NOT DELIVER MAIL postcard in the mailbox for 3 months.

- Jacqui Masson was on the mailbox waiting list. Linda reached out to her and Jacqui said that she was not interested in the mailbox at this time as she just paid JT PO for her annual use.

- Bobby Furst was on the mailbox waiting list. Bobby passed away recently, so Linda reached out to his wife, Jane Allingham. She said that she was not interested in the mailbox at this time.

- Ellen Jackman was on the waiting list. Linda reached out to Ellen. Linda reassigned the mailbox RIGHT #11 to Ellen Jackman on Wagon Wheel. Ellen is renting her place on a temporary basis. The renters are now using the mailbox. Linda gave them mailbox use instructions and two keys to the mailbox.

JT POST OFFICE MAILBOX

Terry told the group that we cannot add anybody to the JT PO Box until Ellen goes to the JT Post Office in person to remove her name from the MMNA account – as the person on record. Joe has never seen the JT PO mailbox bill. Terry paid the bill last March 2025.

TO DO: Joe will go to JT post office to discuss this issue.

- **JTNP new kiosk/traffic** – Daniel

Daniel spoke with Jane Rodgers, Supt and Jeff (park ranger) and the bright lighting at the new west entrance kiosk. After some review, they found that they had some trouble with a dimmer switch. It has been fixed and the bright lighting issue has been resolved. Terry thanked Daniel for his work.

Over the winter break, the traffic backup from the west entrance into the neighborhood was some of the worst traffic the park has seen for this time of the year. Currently, when there is a traffic backup Daniel reaches out to Jane Rodgers or Jeff (park ranger). He would like another backup number in case he can't reach Jane or Jeff. Linda stated that she gets emails/calls from neighbors about the traffic and would like to give them the kiosk phone number but the group asked her not to do this as we have agreed that Daniel would be the person to alert the park to backed up traffic. Jane would like to have a meeting with MMNA board in a few weeks on zoom to discuss this issue. JTNP has invited Daniel to the opening ceremony for the new kiosk on Wed, February 4, 2026.

TO DO: Daniel will give a brief update at the March annual meeting about the new kiosk (lighting and traffic).

- **MMNA welcome packet**

Diane has distributed six Welcome Packets so far. She believes top three issues are: roads, bright lights and use of rodenticide.

TO DO: Diane will leave Welcome Packet at new owners on Desert Shadows (previously owned by Terry).

TO DO: Diane will leave Welcome Packet at the large new white home on Quail Springs/Desert Shadows.

TO DO: Diane will leave Welcome Packet at 8100 Uphill Rd (currently under construction).

TO DO: Diane will leave Welcome Packet at new house being built by water tower on Desert Shadows.

4. **February annual mailings** (email/USPS)

- Linda is updating the MMNA Ownership database by checking county assessor records at the Joshua Tree Assessor's Office. Primary purpose is to find new owners and their mailing addresses. So far Linda has spent 4 hours in the office and anticipates spending another 4 hours before the project is complete.

Once the MMNA Ownership database is updated, she will determine which owners are active email users and which owners needs USPS mailing labels for our February annual mailing, announcing upcoming March annual meeting and the call for donations to the roads fund.

For the February mailing, we need a new cover letter

TO DO: Linda will send Terry/Joe the 2025 Cover Letter. **Done✓**

TO DO: Terry/Joe will update the Cover Letter and send the 2026 Cover Letter to Linda. **Done✓**

TO DO: Linda will send SAVE THE DATE email on January 12, 2026. **Done✓**

TO DO: Linda will send another annual meeting reminder email on February 9, 2026.

TO DO: Linda will send last minute reminder email about the annual meeting on March 5, 2026.

5. **Board Elections: President and Treasurer**

We will be **voting for all board positions** (i.e., President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and Roads Director) at our Annual Meeting. **We are seeking to fill the President position currently held by Terry Stone and the Treasurer position currently held by Joe Ingram.** Geary Hund resigned as Roads/Signs Chair as of January 1, 2026, and Joe Ingram has taken over the duties for this position and will be seeking election for the Roads/Signs Chair position, leaving the Treasurer position open.

If you are interested in filling the **President** position or the **Treasurer** position, please reach out by contacting Terry Stone @ mmna.volunteers@gmail.com.

Any Monument Manor Neighborhood property owner or resident who has made a current year financial contribution to MMNA may be a candidate for any officer position. Any interested party must either email a statement of intent to monumentmanorna@gmail.com at least one week before the Annual Meeting, or be prepared to present it orally at the meeting. The statement should identify the position of interest, and a brief description of qualifications.

6. **SAVE THE DATE: MMNA Annual Meeting**

Sunday, March 8, 2026 from 2-4pm @ Furstwurld with invited guest, Danielle Wall, rattlesnake wrangler

TO DO: Linda will send SAVE THE DATE email on January 12, 2026. **Done✓**

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TO DO: Diane will contact Jane Allingham Furst to reconfirm annual meeting at Furstwurld. **Done✓**

7. New Business

AT-LARGE BOARD MEMBER: The group discussed electing Jacqui Masson on Turtle Rd as a new At-Large board member. She has been focusing on fire prevention efforts in Monument Manor. MMNA is allowed according to our by-laws to four At-Large board members. We currently have three: Bill Gilman, Will Harner and Diane Kuntz. Bobby Furst was an At-Large board member but sadly passed away in 2025. The board was reminded that At-Large board members receive all board correspondence.

Linda Doyle made the motion to add Jacqui Masson as an At-Large Board Member. Diane seconded the motion. No objections were noted. All in attendance were in favor.

TO DO: Terry to contact Jacqui to give her brief outline of position & welcome her to board. **Done✓**

TO DO: Linda will send Terry Jacqui's email address. **Done✓**

WEST ENTRANCE CLOSURE JAN 12-17

TO DO: Linda will send email that JTNP west entrance will be closed Jan 12-17. **Done✓**

8. Next board meeting dates, times and location

Saturday, February 7 @ 10m on zoom

Sunday, March 1st @ 10am on zoom

9. Adjourn @ 11:47am

Linda Doyle MMNA Secretary

