



Associació de Veïns i Veïnes de QuintMar

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Minutes of the QuintMar Neighbours Association Ordinary Assembly held on July 4, 2021.

President Albert Vilanova welcomes the attendees thanking them for their presence and then the names of the attending members are read, as well as those members who have delegated their vote in favor of another member.

Members: Ana Barros, Raúl Basas, Montserrat Boada, Núria Deumal, Félix Fol, Jorge García Larrión, Lola Giraldo, Carlos Letra, Yeda Lorenzo, Elisabet Navarro, Milagros Piera, Esther Sánchez, Miguel Ángel Serrano, Domingo Serrano, Fredrik Svensson, Joaquín Torres, Wendy Trollope.

Represented members: Glòria Deumal (represented by Núria Deumal), Elsje Duffhues (represented by Carlos Letra), Pedro Méndez (represented by Jorge García), Fredrick Svensson (represented by Domingo Serrano), Remy Révers (represented by Wendy Trollope)

1.- Reading and approval of the previous minutes

The President states that they are uploaded on the website and that there are also copies on the premises available to any member or neighbor to know the content. It asks if someone considers that it should be read, no one pronouncing in this sense. It is then put to a vote and is unanimously approved.

2.- State of the accounts and budgets for the year 2021.

Wendy Trollope takes the floor to account for the bank statements. Expense and income books are still available to all partners, with receipts of cash movements with serial number. Ask that all donations and fees be made by direct debits or transfers to our account at Caixa Bank (Oasis office)

She explains that she ends this year with a total of € 2,386.09. At Caixabank, there is a total of 564 euros in cash, which adds up to a total of € 2,950.09.

There have been expenses of € 429.26. in cash and € 721.90 for the bank, a total of € 1,151.16. Income of € 140 has been produced. in cash, and € 2,085 deposited in a checking account, a total of 2,225 euros.

The most significant expenses have been the item of Wifi / mobile that amounts to 583.35 euros. And for bank charges a total of € 228.05.

In the course of this year, the Association's income has grown by a total of € 1,073 compared to the previous year.

It also informs about the amount of the activities of the Civic Centre for the period 2021-2022 and that it remains in the same terms as the previous year, that is, the members have the possibility of one free party per year to be held at the Civic Centre with a deposit for the cleaning of the Centre, and for non-members and residents of QuintMar it is € 50, and for non-members and from outside QuintMar it is € 70.

Likewise, the collaborating teachers pay an amount of 10 euros per hour of activity.

The Budget is presented for the period July 2021 to June 30, 2022, with a total of € 480 per Wifi / mobile / landline with O2. € 200 for cleaning, € 100 for a reception party for future Agnès school teachers, € 100 for the Christmas party for the neighbours, € 300 for contingencies and maintenance tasks of the Civic Centre, € 200 for photocopies, web space, and services of Post office, and € 250 for bank account maintenance costs. In total about € 1630.

Annual income is estimated between € 2,500 and € 3,500, given that the activity after the COVID restrictions can normalize and generate more activity for parties and classes, estimating an income of € 1,500.

We will collect the annual fees in January 2022 and the City Council continues to pay for the elevator and building insurance.

The economic situation report is put to a vote and is approved with 18 votes in favor and no vote against and 4 abstentions.

And in relation to the approval of the budget, there were 18 votes in favor, no vote against and 4 abstentions.

3.- Activity Report.

Domingo Serrano takes the floor to report on the most relevant steps taken during the current period:

3.1 One of the issues to which we have devoted the most time is the modification of the waste containers and their cleaning. He recalls that the City Council in July 2020 made a change in relation to the number of waste collection points with the entry into force of the new cleaning contract in Sitges, reducing the previous six points to a total of three . After expressing our disagreement with this decision and especially in the point of the Pere Joan Fund with Puig d'en Boronet that they also wanted to suppress, arguing and justifying on our part that, in that area, many elderly people lived and that they could not move to the Two points that wished to leave finally this collection point was kept.

In addition, we have been assisting other elderly people who cannot move and agreeing with the collection service that at least once a week they will be collected from their own home.

From the Association we have pursued, once the three cleaning points have been fixed, that they are kept clean, it is very important that the neighbours do not leave pruning or bulky remains because there is a collection service for both pruning and bulky or old furniture, refrigerators or other objects by calling 93 894 75 25, which is important to use it otherwise we run the risk that the City Council suppresses this service and that we make an effort to inform our neighbours to use it.

We have insisted on the need for the streets to be swept because we had not done it for many months, now there is a commitment to do it weekly and it is usually on Wednesdays or Thursdays of each week. We ask the neighbours to let us know when it is not done.

3.2. Pruning and cleaning of gardening. Here progress has been scarce because we did not achieve a commitment to periodicity and when they come they leave enough areas to be completed, there is a significant abandonment at the end of the Pasaje del Fondo de Pere Joan, also at the entrance area in the Camí de Mas d'En Puig, next to the light distribution booth, in which brambles and trees are already intertwined, and there are deficiencies in Corraló del Sud and the same happens in the existing valley between Avinguda Garrofers and Puig d'en Boronet, this is a very dangerous area if a fire breaks out. We have opened incidents of all this through the Green Line and communicated to the Public Road Council, to whom we have passed all these images or photos and we consider that there is a grievance in the care of QuintMar, since other areas of Sitges do have maintenance and proper cleaning.

3.3. Sidewalk and pavement renovation. We find ourselves in a similar situation, we have generated many incidents involving numerous pavements that have significant sinkholes, some have been addressed, but very few. And you also have to attend to all the pavements of those unbuilt land that are not passable, in Garrofers, Passeig del Espígol, Puig de Sant Isidre and Puig d'en Boronet and Fondo d'en Pere Joan.

3.4. We have experienced incidents due to manipulation of the water meters and the electricity services hooked up to the electricity supply of the street lamps or public lighting and in these cases they have been solved and taken care of by the City Council. We also sent a letter to Endesa distribution with several occupied houses in Avinguda Garrofers and Passeig d'Ametllers warning them of the possible risk of electrical manipulation and that in some home there may be a marijuana plantation, something that destabilises the powers of the neighbourhood since it is of high energy consumption. We will expand on the Security point.

3.5. The new Agnès School will be inaugurated in the 2021-22 school period on September 14th. Since we reported extensively last year, we summarize the things that have changed since then.

The acoustic screens have already been included in the municipal budget and are financially endowed, a project manager has been appointed, and it is foreseeable that the works will begin shortly, being built in parallel to the current existing green screen. There is still a natural earth screen to be completed in the area closest to the College, and that they are growing with earth. Its completion is necessary to plan the construction of the playground that would go in that area, but it has been long delayed due to the slow pace of the school work. In addition, we have agreed with the City Council to create another space in the triangle between Corts d'Aragó and Camí Más d'en Puig for the elderly and which must have trees and shady areas, in addition to recovering the public water source.

The delay in construction in the Sardana de L'Empordà area is reported and that it would allow us to have ample space to recover the sports court. It may be two years, because the builder who is on whom the urban burden falls has delayed the project due to COVID.

We have had several very satisfactory contacts with the Management of l'Escola Agnès and with the AMPA, as we agree on the deficiencies that the neighbourhood has, such as

improving pedestrian access between the Pins Vens and Quint Mar area and between Llevantina and our neighbourhood. The

Pavements are very narrow and make it very difficult for children to move on foot or by bicycle with safety guarantees. We will continue to insist on the need to improve connections between neighbourhoods.

In relation to mobility in the area, a new wainscot will be built near the back door of the school, so that discretionary buses can stop there and minimize entrances into the neighbourhood. However, a small roundabout will be made at the end of Puig de Sant Isidre to attend the unloading of students at the main door of the Escola Agnès.

We have to arrange a new contact with the Security Councillor as speed limits are not respected and there have been accidents that have caused damage to homes near the School. Likewise, this same problem is very pronounced in the Avinguda Garrofers area, in an area that is dangerous because it does not have much visibility. It is important to place some speed bumps and above all to pacify the traffic throughout the neighbourhood, respecting the circulation at a maximum of thirty per hour.

Finally, we have requested the landscaping of the new entrance roundabout in the neighbourhood.

3.6. Pau 8. We report a new area to be built in the extension of Fondo de Pere Joan next to the last single-family houses. We have had contacts with the promoter and the City Council in order to collect the realization of some transit stairs between Puig d' in Boronet and the Passage

4.- Security.

Albert V. reports on the meeting that was held with the Local Police and the Head of the Mossos d'Esquadra on September 15, 2020. When they gave us the data for the last two years, it was a surprise for everyone. In 2020 there had been 4 complaints of theft (up to the date of the meeting), and 4 complaints of occupied houses (also in this period). Although the issue of whether or not neighbours report robberies came up, the police told us that normally all robberies are reported, although it may be that, in some cases, an attempted robbery goes unreported.

Last year's data was also surprising, since from January to the end of September there were no reports of theft in Quintmar. On the other hand, from October to December there were 12 robberies as a result of a wave of which we had previously been told. Jorge G. L. and Miguel Serrano spoke to indicate that it seemed a very low number to them. Albert V. takes up the idea of holding a new meeting with the Local Police and the Mossos in the Civic Centre in September of this year if the pandemic already allows it, which is why the previous meeting had to be reduced to only three interlocutors.

Naiara Pereyra intervenes to comment on the frequent drops in the electrical network and that a technician informed her that it was not due to the marijuana plantations but to a lack of maintenance of the network and the low investment.

Félix F. intervenes to indicate that if the complaints and incidents in the supplies are formalized, the squatters end up leaving. Albert V. comments on two successful cases of the eviction of squatters in Avinguda Puig d'en Boronet based on complaints from the owners, in one case a private individual, and in another the construction company Solvia.

Domingo comments that the problems of network failure have occurred in other parts of QuintMar and that they become more serious when the neighbour is away from home for

several days because there have been cases of loss of all food when the refrigerators remain disconnected and that also affects alarms.

He explains that there are some electrical switches that reset after a while but that represent an additional cost for the neighbour and that can mean greater peace of mind. However, incidents should be opened to the distributor in the area, in this case it is Endesa, because if there are no claims they will indicate that we do not have the network in poor condition.

Miguel S. requests that we take legal action in the event that Endesa does not respond to our writings. It is unanimously agreed to request said action, although we will allow a few more days to pass since the previous letter was sent approximately a month ago.

5. Activities at the Civic Centre.

Lola Giraldo takes the floor to report that due to the pandemic we had to suppress all the activities that were taking place in the Civic Centre. Our commitment is to resume them and that a couple of weeks ago a dance teacher started classes on Friday. Dance classes will be resumed in September, and dance classes will be extended several days a week.

We also want to resume the reading club, start a film club cycle, popular walks. She remembers that you can request the use of the Civic Centre for private activities, upon request, both for members (1 free activity) and for the rest of the residents, the neighbourhood or the town.

The resumption of the Christmas concert is announced and the possibility of incorporating some more urbanization party is opened. Jorge G. L. offers to organize a popular barbecue with a solidarity price, in order to build community. The proposal is welcomed.

6.- Presentation of the new Board of QuintMar.

Albert informs that as he commented the previous year he has made a transfer of his home to another neighbourhood of Sitges and that therefore, since it is not compatible to continue on the Board of the Association, an internal reorganization has been carried out and comments on the new incorporations, as well as the changes of functions of some members reading the new members:

President: Domingo Serrano Jiménez,

Vice President: Lola Giraldo Castilla,

Secretary: Raúl Basas Boya,

Treasurer: Wendy Trollope.

Members: Gloria Deumal, Miguel Batres Mencía, Joaquín Vicente López, Remi Révers, Fredik Svensson, Pedro J. Méndez, Yeda Lorenzo Calvo, Elisabeth Navarro Estrada, Jorge García Larrión.

The new Board is put to the vote and approved unanimously with 22 votes in favour.

7.- Open turn for words.

Esther Sánchez exposes the situation created by a receipt that Sorea has sent her and that amounts to about € 4,300 and asks if anyone else has been affected. We commented that it is Sorea herself who, when the pressure rises so that it reaches the upper part of QuintMar, can cause these losses in the connection joints, but that it is difficult to demonstrate and that we advise all the neighbours to put a pressure regulator behind the water meter of each home to avoid these events.

Félix F. explains that the Pere Joan Fund does not respect the failure to park on the yellow line, which creates risky situations. He requests that the Local Police warn the neighbours that they incur this offense.

Neus Gabete tells us about the situation that is taking place in the environment of her home due to fumigations with highly toxic products that cause nausea and discomfort. We inform you that the use of this product is prohibited and another neighbour, Ana B. expands this information as she herself makes a complaint for the use of the same product, but without receiving any response from the City Council. We will proceed to request a meeting with the Councillor for Animal Participation and Welfare to direct possible solutions in this regard.

Montserrat Boada complains about the dirtiness of the unbuilt plots, specifically the one next to the Civic centre, which makes the sidewalk impractical and which is also populated by cats. Albert V. recalls that in writing about the perimeter cleaning we include the claim about the cleaning of the plots.

And without further ado, the meeting ends at around 1.30 pm.