

MINUTES OF THE SVPOA GENERAL MEETING – JULY 18, 2018

President Doug Palmer called the meeting to order at 3:00 PM / Adjourned at 4:00 PM

President's welcome (Doug Palmer)

- Recognize new members: Bob and June O'Keefe
- Call for volunteers to serve on the SVPOA board to fill a vacancy or to serve on the nominating committee for next year's board
- Upcoming events
 - July 21: Scaly Mountain Women's Club golf tournament at Sky Valley Country Club
 - September 25: Going Away Party at the Country Club
 - October 20: Fallfest
- Kudzu eradication report (Rudy Masi)
 - 13 volunteers and 2 City employees worked on July 18 at the compactor and the waterfall trail
 - Next work day will be in August
 - Cash donations are appreciated to cover the cost of herbicides

Directories (Grace Guess)

- 2018-19 member directories are available at the City Visitor Center on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday. Hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. every day except Tuesday 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Contact Linda Sloope 706-746-0005.
- Additional directories are \$5 each

Summer Programs (Dan McAfee)

- Sign up now for CPR training in September
- August 15: Rabun County Historical Society
- September 19: Julep Farms
- October 17: Elect new board members

Upcoming Events

- Doug Palmer announced that the City is seeking a chairman to manage the July 4 celebration in 2019. Contact Doug 706-746-4462

Rabun County EMS – Trampes Stancil

Your homework is to find where the AED at the Club is located. There is an AED in all the Sky Valley Police Department vehicles. Clayton Rotary Club is raising money for additional AEDs in the county.

Thank you to Susan Cillo for raising funds for a LUCAS device at the club.

EMS has trained all the Sky Valley Police officers as first responders. This saved the life of a visitor from upstate New York who had a cardiac event about five years ago.

Heart attack symptoms for men include chest tightness, squeezing, or pressure; sometimes pain in the left arm or jaw; and sweating. Women's symptoms can include fainting, shortness of breath, and sweating. Homeowners should keep 81mg chewable aspirin in stock and chew four at the onset of symptoms. Symptoms of stroke can include difficulty speaking, drooping on one side of the face, blurred vision, paralysis on one side of the body, headache and vomiting.

Please call 911 for first responders if you or a family member is experiencing symptoms of heart attack or stroke.

Rabun County first responders include the Sky Valley Police Department and the Sky Valley-Scaly Mountain Volunteer Fire Department. All are equipped with AED. Paramedics run an EKG at the scene and send the report to a cardiologist with Northeast Georgia Physicians Group. Heart attack treatment begins in the ambulance with the same drugs that are administered at a hospital. Stroke victims are airlifted to Kennestone Hospital in Marietta for endovascular thrombectomy to break up the blood clot in the brain.

Demonstration of CPR and use of AED

- Confirm victim is unconscious
- Determine if victim is breathing or moving
- Call 911 and provide physical address
- Ask bystanders for help to bring AED or LUCAS device while waiting for EMS
- Do not perform mouth-to-mouth breathing
- Begin chest compressions in the middle of the chest (100-120 compressions/minute)
- Perform chest compressions for 30 seconds then rest for 2 seconds
- Follow instructions on AED to restart heartbeat or use LUCAS device to provide continuous compression until EMS arrives

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Dalhouse Curtis, secretary