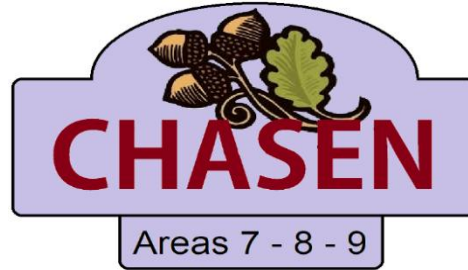




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Minutes – April 21, 2026

President Bill Shirley opened the meeting by welcoming new members. A gentleman named Jerry was visiting for the first time. Welcome to Jerry.

Treasurer's Report: Checking \$803.72 Savings \$1,212.45 Total: \$2,016.17

Upcoming Events:

Earth Day – Wednesday, April 22, 2026 – The City is sponsoring this event to plant flowerbeds and restore the bark to revitalize the City Hall landscape. Water and roast beef sandwiches for lunch will be provided.

Big Day of Service – Saturday, May 16. The city of Citrus Heights is joining together with the Orangevale-Fair Oaks Community Foundation. This event began in 2018 to rally people around the idea of beautifying the community. This year they have a goal of 70 local projects, several in Citrus Heights.

CHASEN is sponsoring a project at C-Bar-C Park to refurbish the tables and chairs and some of the landscaping. Additionally, on Wednesday, May 13, the parking lot will be re-stripped. There is also another project to spruce up Tempo Park. If you can help with either of these projects, please see Bill or Harold.

Guest Speaker: Mike Hazlip – Media Literacy

Mike is a freelance journalist, an author, and he previously worked with The Sentinel. He shared a video and explained the difference between fake news, media bias, and advocacy journalism. We all enjoyed a fake news event he created showing Lt Hermann, Citrus Heights PD, announcing they had captured Big Foot in the woods behind Costco. His presentation highlighted how easy it is for someone to fool you or the public for a variety of reasons, the biggest of which is money. What can you do? He shared tricks for validating the source of the news clip. Additionally, he shared "If we want to turn down divisiveness and turn down the heat in our community, it's up to us. We have to think."

Citrus Heights PD: Presentation by the Traffic Unit, Officers Kissam and Davis

Officer Kissam began his presentation explaining the Traffic Unit and how they operate. This unit includes five motorcycle officers responsible for issuing citations and enforcing our traffic laws citywide. A DUI car also patrols checkpoints on Wednesday through Saturday four times throughout the year. He explained DUI checkpoints and how they work; traffic enforcement such as speeding, running stoplights/stop signs and distracted driving; community presentations.

Officer Joe Davis gave a presentation on E-bikes. He shared that while there is a problem with people adhering to traffic laws, our city is in better shape than others in the State. The Traffic Unit has begun educating students in schools about the 'Rules of the Road' for bicycles and e-bikes. This is crucial before beginning enforcement actions. He shared the categories for E-bikes:

- Class I – pedal assisted up to 20 mph
- Class II – pedal assisted up to 25 mph
- Class III – pedal assisted up to 28 mph

The only age restriction on Class I and II is that a rider under 18 must wear a helmet. Class III, the rider must be over 16 years old. Fun fact about electric scooters – a rider must hold a valid permit or driver's license.

Announcements:

May 16 – Big Day of Service

May 19 – CHASEN monthly meeting. Casey Kempenaar, Community Development Director, will make a presentation on the Sunrise Sports Complex.

We will also be holding elections for Vice President and Treasurer positions as the incumbents have completed their required terms.

June 16 – CHASEN monthly meeting. Ash Feeney will be here to speak on Fiscal Responsibility

Thank you to our speakers tonight. Thank you also to our sponsors, those individuals and businesses that support CHASEN in improving our community. THANK YOU ALL!!

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