

Florida Gold Coast Gem & Mineral Society (FGCGS)

Monthly Meeting Agenda, August 21st, 2024



Ye Oldie Rock Shoppe 1425 C South 30 Avenue Hollywood, FL 33020

- 1. Acceptance of last month's meeting minutes
- 2. Guest & New Members: Introduce Guest and New Members and let them say something about their interest.
- 3. Dr. Steven Haggerty will present this month's program. Dr. Haggerty's presentation tonight is titled

Diamond in Kimberlites: Age, Origin and Global Distribution.

Dr. Haggerty is a distinguished research professor of mineralogy at FIU. More to come on his career. We want a large showing; please make an effort to attend

- 4. Treasurer's Budget/Bank (amount in kitty, raffles, shop sales, etc.)
- 5. Ask each committee chairs(s) status or ongoing plans. We will be looking for help with editor committee chair; New Member, Programs, Sunshine, Editor, etc.
- 6. Tabled from last meeting: Beverly (Treasurer) and Susan (Secretary) are leaving there positions come November. We will be looking to fill these positions ASAP also to begin transition.
- 7. Tabled also for this meeting: We would like to continue establishing a Bylaws workshop committee. Presently we have Mary Alice Manella, Fletcher Sessoms and Steve Ackerman and I on the committee.
- 8. We have a new Facebook Account and page. Please visit, like, follow and post your comments. Post your lapidary arts and collections. Please ensure to describe any photo and mineral posted. This page is following social media accounts that contain the same interest that the club likes. The geologist, Mineral societies etc.



We also have a new Gmail account. **floridagemmineral@gmail.com**. The club will conduct all business via this email.



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- 9. The club is the process of establishing a new website. We want to acquire the domain name FGCGMS.org. The cost is about the same that Sean was paying per year.
 - Julio Lopez is helping with writing and developing a free website. There are also site that allow do-it-yourself build website free but they hit you up for expensive hosting.
 - Eventually, the club we will need webhosting. Prices for webhosting at averaging about \$50 per month. WordPress prices are \$178 for three years. We should discuss and vote to approve to proceed.
- 10. We have developed an inventory of the shops lapidary equipment for club files. Current officer have an electronic version but the Secretary can keep the hard copy with the club files.
- 11. Please do not forget to pay your dues, participate, take classes, etc.