Odd Fellows Sierra Recreation Association Annual General Meeting May 26, 2013

A welcome greeting to the sixty-fifth OFSRA Annual General Meeting was called to order by **President Del Wallis** @ 9:04 AM. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by James Lenhardt. Ron Hawke presented the invocation. Board of Directors present: Claire Velayas, Ron Hawke, Larry Adams, Dick Barrett, Bob Cloak, Bill Ordwein, Friedhelm Peter and Del Wallis. President Wallis stated that this is a private corporation meeting and requested no recordings be made. President Wallis described the issues to be addressed at this meeting. He also stated that in the interest of time, comments from the attendees would be limited to three or four minutes per person.

Elsie Manning moved that the minutes of the May 27, 2012 annual meeting be approved as presented. Bob Hintz seconded. Motion carried.

There were no communications to report.

Ron Hawke made a motion to approve the items of business A,B, & C which we were asked to consider in the 2013 Annual Meeting Invitation to Attend, which was sent to all shareholders. At a previous shareholder's meeting called in December, it was decided that the Rec Association would transfer assets and responsibilities to a new, separate corporation to provide water and services, but it was subsequently determined that two additional corporations would be needed to run legally. This motion requested that shareholders approve the two additional corporations instead of the one additional which was approved in December. Yvonne Peter seconded. Discussion followed. Directors Cloak and Peter counted the ballots; 35 voted yes, 0 voted no, and 2 abstained. Motion was approved.

Captain James Klyn from the Mi-Wuk/Sugarpine Fire Department stopped in to request that everyone gets a street-number sign for their property. This will make it easier for the fire department to reach your home. Signs are available from the Community Services Center located in the Junction Shopping Center right next to the bank.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

WATER: **Ron Hawke** presented his report.

Routine Maintenance:

Replaced several broken valves and repaired broken pipes. [Details reported in monthly Water Reports.]

Major 4-Inch Line Breaks:

In Nov 2012, there was one 4-inch line break and repair.

On April 19th, three 4-inch lines and one 2-inch line broke. An outside contractor was hired to help repair the breaks and restore the system to full operation. During this process, a **PRECAUTIONARY** "Boil Water" Notice was issued and remained in effect for 18 days. [Details reported in May 2013 Water Report.]

System Improvements:

A bidirectional meter was installed on the Isaac tank. In the future, water leaks will be more rapidly found by observing the change in water flow into the tank while small sections of the system are briefly shutdown. It is expected that when the section with the leak is shutdown, the

meter will rapidly indicate an increase in the flow rate into the tank. [Details reported in Feb 2013 Water Report.]

Aquifer Level Measurements:

During Feb and April, measurements of the aquifer level were performed while the pumps for well #6 and #5, respectively, were operated. It was found that the aquifer levels drew down about 100 to 120 feet and stabilized while pumping and recovered rapidly after pumping, as expected. California Department of Public Health, CDPH:

- [1] All water samples met or exceeded CDPH standards. There were no bacterial contamination incidents.
- [2] Two members of the CDPH met with our Licensed Water Operator, Mark Higgins, and Park President, Del Wallis, on May 7th, 2013 for a routine, Tri-Annual Inspection of our system. A report is expected within the next two months. [Details reported in May 2013 Water Report.]
- [3] While water breaks that occurred on April 19th were being repaired as rapidly as possible and efforts to restore the system to full operation were in progress, Charles Varvayanis, Fred Coleman and Steve Wallace filed several complaints with the CDPH. The complaints have been reviewed. [Details reported in May 2013 Water Report.]
- [4] The process to transfer the Odd Fellows Sierra Recreation Association water system to the Sierra Park Water Company has begun.

Current Issues Under Consideration:

Due to extreme financial burdens arising from legal issues, the purchase and installation of an altitude valve at the Wheeler tank site has been deferred. Such a valve would regain the full storage capacity of the Isaac tank whose top is about 5 feet higher than the Wheeler tanks. This would return the Isaac storage capacity from the current limit of 166,250 gallons to its original capacity of 210,000 gallons. Hence, the complete storage would be increased from the current 259,000 gallons to its potential of 302,750 gallons. This improvement is recommended to the Sierra Park Water Company as soon as their budget will allow.

The Cedarbrook timber property, which has been annexed to the existing Recreation Association Timber Property, has two wells that have the potential of being added to the water system. It is recommended the new water company consider improvements to the well sites for inclusion to the system when their budget will allow.

Water Use:

During the past 12 months, May 2012 through April 2013, we have pumped 11,094,700 gallons of water.

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Owners are REQUESTED to keep their phone numbers and addresses up to date by sending changes to the NEW water corporation:

<u>Sierra Park Water Company Inc. PO Box 424 Mi Wuk Village, CA</u> 95346

BUILDINGS: **Dick Barrett** reported that all building-related items were addressed previously in newsletters. Dry rot in the lodge and caretaker's cabin were addressed. Connections to the mobile generator were installed in the lodge, the fire station, and the shop to provide warming centers during prolonged periods of power outage.

ROADS: Larry Adams reported that a four-year plan was developed for the maintenance of the roads. Crack sealing was conducted, and it has held up really well. Asphalt near the gate which had crumbled was replaced. It is recommended that the new corporation adopt the plan.

EQUIPMENT: Friedhelm Peter presented his report. Due to a relatively mild winter, the snow removal truck had no major problems. At this time, all equipment is running fine and all services, such as oil and filter changes and greasing and minor repairs are being performed by the caretaker. The Toyota pick-up has received regular service and is running well. The International snow plow truck has received regular service, and a cover for the sand box has been made by the caretaker to keep the sand from freezing and packing up. The backhoe has received regular service A block heater was installed, the front bucket hydraulic cylinder was rebuilt, and a rear axle leak was fixed. The grass mower tractor received regular service and is running well. The grader has had all pertinent fluids checked. At this time, it is recommended that the grader is used as needed and that no money is spent to perform major repairs. Most of the hydraulic hoses, which have been painted, seem to be cracking and any replacement would be costly in the event of a breakage. The generator has received regular service and is being run on a monthly basis.

TIMBER: Del Wallis reported that the timber harvesting plan has been completed. One compartment has been harvested, and permission is requested for the second compartment to be harvested and thinned. It is recommended that the underbrush be cleared. The Board would also like permission to thin and harvest the timber lands around Cedarbrook. Yvonne Peter proposed a motion to thin and harvest as recommended by the Board and to plan for the Cedarbrook harvest. Darryl Clark seconded the motion. Discussion ensued, and a vote was taken; 46 voted yes, 0 voted no, and 16 abstained.

GATE: Bill Ordwein reported that the gates have been serviced so that it is fully operational prior to being transferred to the new corporation. It is recommended to the new corporation that the old gate reader be removed. The antenna was moved to facilitate opening the gate from farther away.

HEALTH AND SAFETY: Larry Adams reported that we are in process of building a new raft which will be anchored in the middle of the pond. Be alert to rattlesnakes; there is a higher than average population this year. Three have been killed in the Park already.

RECREATION: Linda Clark reported that the Fish Derby will be the Saturday before Father's Day and will begin at 7 am. Volunteers are appreciated and should contact Yvonne Peter or Linda Clark to sign up. The Rebekahs have obtained a bid to replace the basketball court. It came in at approximately \$21,000. Elsie Manning made a motion to assist the Rebekahs by paying half of the expense. Margie Retzloff seconded. Deisree Ralph has promised to donate some funds for the basketball court. A vote was taken and 46 voted yes, 0 voted no, and 16 abstained.

FINANCE: **Bill Ordwein** noted that the OFSRA will no longer be collecting assessments, so the finance will be much simpler. A loan is being made to the new corporations totalling \$65,000. Projected income is \$60,000 in timber harvest, \$6,900 for caretaker cabin rental, \$5,000 for easements from the new corporations, and approximately \$21,000 from a collections lawsuit. Projected expenses include property taxes, legal expenses, insurance, the assessment on the caretaker's cabin, and the loan made to the new corporations.

NEW BUSINESS

Bylaws and Articles of Incorporation Changes: President Wallis requested that Director Hawke describe the changed Articles of Incorporation. Director Hawke made a motion to accept the new Articles effective Jun 1, 2013; Elsie Manning seconded. Discussion followed. A vote was called for and 45 voted yes, 3 voted no, and 14 abstained.

Director Hawke made a motion to accept the new Bylaws as amended by adding Article III Sections 16, 17, 18 and 19 and Article I Section 5 effective June 1, 2013; Yvonne Peter seconded. Discussion followed. A vote was called and 46 voted yes, 0 voted no, and 16 abstained.

Elections for Directors for Next Year: The Board presented an option to vote for the existing Directors to be voted in as a group with Gloria Harvey to fill in the ninth position. Elsie Manning moves to accept the current Directors and Gloria Harvey be voted in for the 2013-2014 year. James Lenhardt seconded. Discussion followed. A vote was taken and 48 voted yes, 1 voted no, and 13 abstained.

There being no further business to discuss, President Wallis adjourned the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

Claire Velayas Secretary