

Sierra Recreation Association



Winter in the Park

Winter is here! Temperatures have gotten down to freezing. Many of our new owners are not familiar with the process of winterizing their homes before they leave during the winter months. Remember to turn off the valve at the water box, then drain all lines including hot waterheater, flush toilets; put antifreeze in all drains, toilet tanks and toilets. If your waterheater is electric be sure to turn off the power to the heater. When you come up after winterizing be sure to fill the electric waterheater before turning on the power to it. Cold water hitting a hot element will blowout the element. (from the voice of experience)

Be sure and carry chains with you and remind any contractors you may have coming into the park to be sure and have chains with them. Often it is legal to drive in the snow without your chains on if you have four-wheel drive,



but you must still carry them in your car when chains are required or you may still be ticketed. Also, please be sure to slow down when turning off the highway on to Wheeler Road. It is usually icy there and

some vehicles have gone out of control.

And speaking of winter, please be sure all vehicles are parked well off the roadway in the park so there is plenty of room for the snowplow to go through. Dented cars are no fun either. If anyone has a question or concern about snow removal or sanding, please call one of the Board members.

Take pine needles and fallen limbs to the burn area at the edge of the meadow. It is open now, but we may have to close it if we get a lot of rain and snow.

A pack of large dogs has been seen near the park boundaries. They can be dangerous, especially to small children.

Calendar of Events

St. Patrick's Day Dinner	Sat., March 11, 2000
Annual Meeting	Sat., May 28, 2000
Fish Derby	

Age Barometer

Do you remember--

- 1. Blackjack chewing gum.
- 2. Wax Coke-shaped bottles with colored sugar water.
- 3. Candy cigarettes.
- 4. Soda pop machines that dispensed bottles.
- 5. Coffee shops with tableside jukeboxes.
- 6. Home milk delivery in glass bottles with card board stoppers.
- 7. Party lines.
- 8. Newsreels before the movie.
- 9. P.F. Flyers
- 10. Butch wax.
- 11. Telephone number with a word prefix (Olive 6933)
- 12. Peashooters.
- 13. Howdy Doody.
- 14. 45 RPM records.
- 15. S&H Green Stamps
- 16. Hi-fi's.
- 17. Metal ice trays with levers.
- 18. Mimeograph paper.
- 19. Blue Flashbulbs.
- 20. Beanie and Cecil.
- 21. Roller skate keys.
- 22. Cork popguns.
- 23. Drive-ins.
- 24. Studebakers.
- 25. Wash tub wringers.

If you remembered 0-5 = you are still young

If you remembered 6-10 = you are getting older

If you remembered 11-15 = Don't tell your age

If you remembered 16-25 = you 're older than dirt!





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Board of Directors Meeting Minutes January 9, 2000

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m. by President Del Wallis. Those present were Del Wallis, Secretary Norrine Coyle, Tresurer Richard Bonner, Members Greg Brown, Fred Coleman Deena Hague and Bob Snell. Absent and excused were Vice-President Jim Morrison, and member Ron Hawke.

The invocation was given by Richard Bonner.

MINUTES - By motion (Snell/Hague, unan.), minutes of the December 12, 1999, meeting were approved.

MEMBERS BEFORE THE BOARD - Jack and Pat Monihan expressed concern about people burning on their lots. It is both a fire issue and respiratory issue.

CORRESPONDENCE - Christmas card from Twain Harte Lumber & Hardware, letters from H.J. Little enclosing ½ of his assessment for 2000-2001 fiscal year, two letter from the State Department Of Health Services concerning a "Draft intended use plan for drinking water State Revolving Fund funding" and on "Disaster Response Planning"; one from W.H. Bresheaars, Inc., concerning a Chevron Delo Truck Tour, and copies of grant deeds showing transfer of properties from Richard and Susan Deignan to William and Sharron Kalfakis and from Edward and Virginia Wylie to David and Betty McCay.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

WATER - Morrison - (absent): Water usage was 435,000 gallons in December. Concern was expressed about water usage due to lack of precipitation, but tests show that the water levels are good. Water tests show we are a little high on some mineral counts, but we are still well within the safe ranges.

ROADS - Snell - As discussed previously, as soon as the weather permits, a concrete slab will be poured around the garbage dumpster. If there is a heavy snowfall, the roads will be plowed and then sanded. If a property owner has a question or concern about sanding or plowing, they should contact one of the Board members.

BUILDINGS - Hawke (absent) - No report.

TIMBER -Coleman - Craig Tolme has resigned as the Park's forester to go to work for the U.S. Foresst Service. He has recommended California Reforestation, Inc., as a replacemeent. The proposed new forester will be invited to

attend the February Board meeting for an interview. In the meantimse, by motion(Hague/Brown, unan.) The Board will contract with California Reforestation, which Forester Tolmie had planned to do, to proceed with planting and restoration of the 7+ acres that are now bare. The survey of the area discussed previously has been done and the stakes have been placed.

HEALTH AND SAFETY - Hague - A pack of large wild dogs has been seen running around the park. People here need to watch children closely until the pack is brought under control.

EQUIPMENT - Brown - The newly-purchased pickup truck is working great. The rest of the equipment is ready for snow.

RECREATION - Coyle/Snell - We are still working with Fish and Game on trying to get bass in the lake. The holiday dinner was a great success.

FINANCE - Bonner - Bills for the month total \$12,764.61, including timber funds, but not including the garbage bill which has not been received. By motion (Morrison/Hague, unan.) The bills were approved for payment. There are still three property owners who have not paid their asssessments and will be taken to court.

CARETAKER'S REPORT - A hazardous tree by the gate was removed He said Air Quality Control should be called before burning. One cabin has already had a broken water line under the sink because of not being winterized. Careteaker's complete report is attached to the original minutes.

NEW BUSINESS - The caretaker was asked to put chains across from Moses and Beersheba to keep people from driving into the meadow while it is wet.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:a.m. The next meeting will be on February 13, 2000, at 8:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Norrine Coyle, Secretary



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Checks Disbursed for January 2000

DATE NUMBER	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
12/29 9386	* Ratzlaff Surveying	Timber Expense	5,250.00
01/09 9387	Void		
01/09 9388	J.S.West & Symons	Propane	408.86
01/09 9389	Zaks	Shop supplies	101.64
01/09 9390	P.G.& E.	Utilities	488.60
01/09 9391	Village Mail & Print Stop	Newsletter	53.09
01/09 9392	Pacific Bell	Phone	52.03
01/09 9393	Mother Lode Portable Toilets	Health & Safety	71.68
01/09 9394	W. H. Breshears	Fuel	580.53
01/09 9395	USBank - Taxes	Payroll tax federal	1,344.02
01/09 9396	Employment Developement	Payroll tax state	89.89
01/09 9397	J.S. West & Symons	Rec Hall supplies	84.63
01/09 9398	* Twain Harte Lumber	Timber, Shop supplies, etc.	201.94
01/09 9399	USBank	E mp. Retirement, payroll ded.	175.00
01/09 9400	Postmaster	Office Supplies - stamps	33.00
01/09 9401	Aqualab	Water Tests	480.00
01/09 9402	Randall J. Tolbert	Payroll 1/15/00	801.31
01/09 9403	Michael W. Caropreso	Payroll 1/15/00	498.09
01/09 9404	Randall J. Tolbert	Payroll 1/31/00	801.31
01/09 9405	Michael W. Caropreso	Payroll 1/31/00	498.09
01/09 9406	Eric Carlson Accountancy	Accounting	500.00
01/09 9407	AT&T	Telephone	15.90
01/09 9408	Fred Coleman	Mileage	56.50
01/09 9409	Norrine Coyle	Mileage	36.00
01/09 9410	Robert Snell	Mileage	37.50
01/09 9411	Deena Hague	Mileage	37.50
01/09 9412	Gregory Brown	Mileage	67.50
			\$12,764.61
*Timber Expense ck	x. #9386- \$5,250., #9398- \$149.30		- 5,399.30
		TOTAL MONTHLY EXPENSE	\$ 7,365.31

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