

Sierra Recreation Association

Newsletter

December 2002

WINTERIZE! Think winter safety for your cabin, car and family. Drive, walk & play safely.

Calendar of Meetings

BOARD MEETING: 8:30 a.m. Sat. Jan. 18th, 2003

Sierra Park Lodge #376

Lodge meetings held on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays at 6:00 P.M. 2nd meeting of the month includes spouses at potluck at 6:30 p.m.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING December 21, 2002

PRESENT
Del Wallis - President
Richard Bonner - Treasurer
Fred Coleman
Ed Smith
Neil Selman

ABSENT- excused Robert Snell Deena Hague Norrine Coyle Greg Brown

Invocation by Richard Bonner

Minutes of the November meeting were approved as mailed. Motion by Smith / Selman carried unanimously.

MEMBERS BEFORE THE BOARD:

Marcia Clockedile- Concern about plowing schedule as she needs to get out & in for work. She wants more attention to plowing at times that would make travel easier & safer for her. Dell explained that the plowing time depends on the snowfall and the amount of time already put in by the caretakers. They make every effort to keep the roads cleared in a safe & timely manner. Pat Monahan re: house numbers. We need the house numbers visible on homes for emergency services.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- 1. Grant deed: From Michael Nelson to Louis & Helen Fortman, Ronald & Carolyn Reed & Ryan & Isabel Fortman.
- 2. Chubb Ins. Group- Notice of non-renewal of workman's compensation insurance policy.
- 3. Grayhill Land Surveying- information regarding survey of 5 acres.
- 4. Christmas Greetings from Twain Harte Lumber & Eric Carlson, CPA
- 5. Holiday wishes & \$25. Donation to fish derby from Isabel Martin.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

WATER: Selman; Usage 727,300 gallons used. Dave Warne, contractor still has not paid for damage to waterline.

Fred Coleman advised he is proceeding to work with Condor for plans for new pipelines.

TIMBER: Coleman; Paid \$12,100 for thinning. Papers will be sent to State to recover 75% of this expense. We need to take a look at thinning in the coming years as to equipment used. We need more small trees taken out for fire safety.

ROADS: Snell; absent. Bonner advised we have yet to get money for road repairs caused by and billed to Warne Construction. BUILDINGS: Smith; Work on the Corp Yard building was completed as far as bracing and preparing for the snow-load. We received a check for \$21,120.14 from the insurance company for the fire loss. There was no breakdown for contents. Renovating the building will take place in the spring. We are checking into a pole-barn shop building.

Many Thanks to the following people for many hours spent in cleaning the Lodge Hall, Neil & Doris Selman, Barb & Mike Rainey, Ann Coleman, Pat Clark, Ruth Townsend, & Clare Smith. The kitchen & bathrooms were scrubbed in preparation for the Christmas Dinner. It's great to have park members give of their time and energy to improve our beautiful area. If anyone would like to add their efforts and join the camaraderie on the next projects (lodge building, gardens in the spring) call Doris Selman at 586-6664 or Ann Coleman 586-0551. They will get in touch with you when another workday is planned.

CARETAKER'S REPORT: Randy gave a written report as he was plowing at time of meeting. Most items covered in member's reports. Snow plowing has begun and it is requested we stay off the roads during snow removal. Remember the parking in the lot at the lake should be short term only. Please conserve water during power outages, the pumps can't work during that time.

EQUIPMENT- Greg Brown absent. Per Randy's report; replaced left window in backhoe and both rear tires were repaired.

HEALTH & SAFETY- Hague absent. Coleman reported that street signs with property owners numbers are available from Tuolumne County Sheriff's Community Service unit in the Junction Shopping Center (Sonora) or the Sheriff's office in Twain Harte for \$8.00.

There is a problem on Toboggan Hill. Snow is being piled for jumps. This is not legal & is dangerous for young children. There was a very serious injury last year due to this activity. Snowboarding and skiing is not allowed here. Dodge Ridge is for these activities. Also, the caretaker at Youth Camp says there is a problem with our people walking through their camp. He asks that we stay out.

RECREATION- Coyle absent. Board members congratulated Norrine & Robert Snell for the great Christmas Party. All who attended enjoyed the dinner and friendship. The decorations were the work of Mike Caropreso, with some assist from Ann Coleman, and added to the festive occasion. Santa made an appearance and we thank him for taking time from his busy schedule to entertain the children. Special thank <u>you to Ruth & Roger Townsend</u> for the carolers that they donated for the raffle. The carolers, plus donations by others of hiking sticks, wine, fudge and table poinsettias allowed several people to go home with a prize and the fishing derby fund gained \$227. Sorry we don't have the names of all the elves that gave donations and helped clean up. All efforts were appreciated.

FINANCE- Bonner: Bills for the month totaled \$16,744.25 plus \$12,100 from the Timber Fund. Another bill for repair of tires on the backhoe will need to be paid. Several nails from the Corp yard damaged them and it was necessary to have them repaired in the park. Motion Coleman/Smith to pay all bills, carried. OLD BUSINESS- 1. Medical Benefits for employees. Make sure money not paid from this fund when covered by another plan. Motion Coleman/Smith to start medical Insurance for 2 employees as of Jan. 1, 2003 with change noted. Carried.

- 2. Bordes/Wallace lot problems of access noted at last meeting. Attorney Brown talked to Mr. Wallace. Next step is legal action. Brown will move ahead.
- 3. Sale of park property. The papers are to be signed on the 5 acres and the lot to complete the sales. NEW BUSINESS- PMZ Realty advised the board of a Disclosure statement concerning the drive for the Nelson property. The new owners know the drive is on Park property and right of usage may be revoked at any time. It was also noted that the drive will be taken out.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

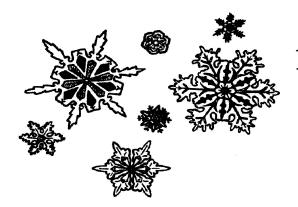
Next meeting will be January 18th at 8:30 A.M.

Respectfully submitted, Fred Coleman, acting secretary



Have fun in our winter wonderland but do so safely. See the tips in the minutes. We have had power outages and fallen trees. Take care.

		CHECKS DISBURSED DECEMBER 2002		
DATE	NUMBER	NAME	MEMO/ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
12/5/02	10545	Randall J Tolbert	Payroll Dec. 15, 2002	1,011.45
12/5/02	10546	Michael W Caropreso	Payroll Dec. 15, 2002	676.96
12/5/02	10547	Randall J Tolbert	Bonus Dec. 2002	817.53
12/5/02	10548	Michael W Caropreso	Bonus Dec. 2002	676.91
12/5/02	10549 *	Kalkowski Lumber	Timber expense	12,100.00
12/5/02	10550	Allen's Mobile Lock	Maintain Buildings	242.47
12/5/02	10551	USBank- taxes	Taxes- Payroll	1,286.03
12/5/02	10552	Employment Developmnt	Taxes- Payroll	106.62
12/5/02	10553	Twain Harte Lumber	Shop, fire, water	827.97
12/22/02	10554	Randall J Tolbert	Payroll Dec. 31, 2002	1,011.46
12/22/02	10555	Michael W Caropreso	Payroll Dec. 31, 2002	676.97
12/22/02	10556	Eric A Carlson	Accounting	305.00
12/22/02	10557	VOID		
12/22/02	10558	Doherty Tire of Sonora	Maintain Equipment	754.48
12/22/02	10559	George Reed, Inc.	Maintain Roads	142.11
12/22/02	10560	Brookstone Trans	Maintain Roads	192.50
12/22/02	10561	Village Mail & Printing	Member communications	61.66
12/22/02	10562	AT & T	Telephone	18.46
12/22/02	10563	Pacific Bell	Telephone	56.51
12/22/02	10564	A & A Portables	Health & Safety	71.68
12/22/02	10565	Zaks	repair pick-up	2,303.41
12/22/02	10566	SnoQuip	Maintain Equipment	450.53
12/22/02	10567	PG&E	caretakers cabin	64.41
12/22/02	10568	Roger A Brown	Professional services	815.76
12/22/02	10569	Acordia of Calif	Workman's Comp Ins.	428.00
12/22/02	10570	J.S. West Propane	propane	62.11
12/22/02	10571	Cal Sierra Disposal	Fire cleanup & garbage	2,110.81
12/22/02	10572	AquaLab	Water Tests	278.00
12/22/02	10573	VOID		
12/22/02	10574	Grayhill Land Survey	Land sales expense (5 acres)	250.00
12/22/02	10575	PG&E	Utilities (park)	559.06
12/22/02	10576	Richard Bonner	Mileage & office supplies	60.29
12/22/02	10577	USBank	Payroll Deduction - retirement	175.00
12/22/02	10578	Postmaster	Member commun. Trust fund	250.00
			Total Monthly Expenses	16,744.25
	*	from Timber fund		



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Have a great new year.

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