

Sierra Recreation Association

MARCH 2004

Questions? Call caretaker 209-586-3098**MARK YOUR CALENDAR****Kids' Fishing Derby**

Saturday June 19, 2004. Plan to attend with your family. Fishing contest for kids through age 15. Donations of prizes or funds & offers of help will be appreciated. This event is open to all property owners and their families.

Calendar of Meetings

BOARD MEETING: 8:30 a.m. Sat. April 17, 2004**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 a potluck.April 21st. 6:30 P.M.

Spring Supper

Call: 586-0551 or 586-6664 if planning to attend

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING March 20, 2004

Attendance:

President, Fred Coleman Excused Vice-President, Robert Snell Present Secretary, Norrine Coyle Present
 Treasurer, Richard Bonner Present Members Present: Ed Smith, Neil Selman, Roger Townsend, Greg Brown
 Sean Kasper Excused

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order by Vice President Robert Snell at 8:30 a.m.

Invocation by Richard Bonner

By motion (Brown / Smith unan.) the minutes of February 21, 2004, were approved as mailed.

Members before the Board: none.

Correspondence: 1. A form from Cindy Billiam of House Mart asking for information about the Park on behalf of some property owners. 2. Letter from Rich and Lisa Van Rosendale informing the Board that they are selling their property to Tony and Salina Pimentel. 3. A letter from Robert and Donna Raymond who are new property owners requesting information about the Park: 4. A letter from the State Dept. of Health Services regarding the availability of a report on the Drinking Water Revolving Fund: 5. A report from the County of Tuolumne regarding crops for 2003; 6. A newsletter from the State Workers Compensation Fund.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Water – Selman: Water usage was 712,000 gallons for the past 28 day period. Gary Scarborough is going to Sacramento Monday for a test review to prepare for taking the water distributor test. Neil has been unable to make contact with Barry Electric for information about a generator and for some work on two well houses.

Roads – Snell: He is about ready to start evaluating the roads in the park to determine what needs to be done, and how much and what kind of construction we can afford to do. There is some road failure near the Caretaker's cabin and other locations. The problems appear to be caused by the cold weather, water and tree roots.

Buildings - Smith: There is one more window to install in the lodge building.

Timber – Coleman: excused, no report.

Health & Safety – Kasper: Richard Bonner said two Rottweiler dogs have been allowed to run loose in the park and threatened a couple of people. If anyone sees any dogs running loose, call the County Animal Control office immediately.

Equipment – Brown: All is well with the equipment. He has not been able to get information about a blade for the backhoe.

Recreation – Townsend: The St. Patrick's dinner will be this evening. The fishing derby for children 15 years of age and under will be on Saturday, June 19. That would be the date for the Board meeting, so it will be changed to Sunday, June 20th.

Finance – Bonner: Bills for the month were \$10,925.92, By motion (Townsend/Selman, unan.) bills were approved for payment. Saturday, Apr. 3rd, at 9 a.m. will be a budget meeting for members of the Board of Directors.

Old Business – none

New Business – It is requested that the Park phone number be placed in the newsletter again. It was reported that Fred Coleman had met with the people in charge of the grinder and details have been worked out.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m. The next meeting will be on April 17, 2004, at 8:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Norrine Coyle, Secretary

CHECKS DISBURSED Thru 03/20/ 2004				
DATE	NUMBER	NAME	MEMO/ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
3/5/2004	325	Michael W. Caropreso	payroll	746.14
3/5/2004	326	Gary A. Scarborough	payroll	869.54
3/8/2004	11069	PG&E	Utilities/ caretakers home	55.80
3/8/2004	11070	State Compensation	Insurance	666.50
3/8/2004	11071	US Bank - Taxes	Payroll taxes	1,203.05
3/8/2004	11072	Employment Develop	Payroll taxes	126.42
3/8/2004	11073	Calif. Rural Water	Permits & fees, certificate	200.00
3/19/2004	327	Michael W. Caropreso	payroll	677.11
3/19/2004	328	Gary A. Scarborough	payroll	869.54
3/20/2004	11074	Frank D Hodges	Property Taxes. 2nd instlmt	1,116.67
3/20/2004	11075	Gary A. Scarborough	Empl. Benefits/ license class	128.20
3/20/2004	11076	J.S. West Propane	Propane	559.36
3/20/2004	11077	Eric A Carlson	Accounting	525.00
3/20/2004	11078	SBC	Phone	64.59
3/20/2004	11079	PG&E	Utilities/ Park	783.44
3/20/2004	11080	Village Mail & Printing	newsletter	53.09
3/20/2004	11081	Twain Harte Lumber	Shop & Bldg/ supplies	33.72
3/20/2004	11082	J. S. West	Genl. Park Maintenance	14.28
3/20/2004	11083	A & A Portables	Health & Safety	71.68
3/20/2004	11084	Roger A Brown	Professional Services	754.00
3/20/2004	11085	Michael W. Caropreso	Medical / empl. Benefits	43.04
3/20/2004	11086	Richard Bonner	Mileage and postage	35.78
3/20/2004	11087	Dale Sollom-Brotherton	Gate Exp. Deposit refund	15.00
3/20/2004	11088	Waste Management	Garbage	769.42
3/20/2004	11089	Fred Coleman	Mileage and office supplies	58.09
3/20/2004	11090	Greg Brown	Auto mileage, board mtg.	98.55
3/20/2004	11091	Norrine Coyle	Auto mileage / dinner supplies	83.16
3/20/2004	11092	Roger Townsend	Mileage/dinr suplies/shredding	250.00
3/20/2004	11093	Robert Snell	Auto mileage	54.75
			TOTAL	10,925.92

This is the final installment of "Things I've learned from my Children" by an anonymous Mom.

- If you hook a dog leash over a ceiling fan, the motor is not strong enough to rotate a 42 pound boy wearing Batman underwear & a Superman cape. It is strong enough, however, if tied to a paint can, to spread paint on a 20x20 ft. room.
- You should not throw baseballs up when the ceiling fan is on. When using a ceiling fan as a bat, you have to throw the ball up a few times before you get a hit. A ceiling fan can hit a baseball a long way.
- The glass in windows (even double-pane) doesn't stop a baseball hit by a ceiling fan.
- Certain Lego's will pass through the digestive tract of a 4-year-old.
- Super glue is forever.
- No matter how much Jell-O you put in a swimming pool you still can't walk on water.
- Pool filters do not like Jell-O.
- VCR's do not eject PB&J sandwiches even though TV commercials show that they do.
- Garbage bags do not make good parachutes.
- Marbles in gas tanks make a lot of noise when driving.

For those who already have children past this age, this is funny – For those who have children this age, this is not funny. For those who have children nearing this age, this is a warning – For those who have not yet had children, this is birth control.

REVISED
LOT CLEAN-UP 2004

Members:

Last month I advised you of the procedure for the removal of needles and limbs from your property in the Park. A question came up concerning the use of the burn area. We are not planning on using the burn area this year. As a result, if you miss the use of the grinder, you will have to make arrangements to haul the material removed from your property down the hill to a disposal site. This is quite expensive and you would be advised to clean your lot during the scheduled times noted below:

1. April 29th to May 3rd.
2. May 13th to May 17th
3. May 27th to May 31st
4. June 3rd to June 7th

The Park will begin picking up the needles/slash material on Tuesday following each Monday listed above. The Thursday pick-up mentioned last month was an error.

After meeting with Jake, the representative of Grover, which is the company doing the grinding, there are some updates on what we can accept in addition to the needles and slash discussed last month. For example:

1. We can take stumps
2. Trees cut into ten-foot lengths.
3. Old firewood you have not used that is rotting away and you want to get rid of.

You or someone hired by you must haul the materials in the list above to the collection area. Arrangements for a time to deliver stumps, trees or firewood must be made with Mike or Gary. All items must be natural material. We will not take boards, plywood, painted material, etc.

So far we have had a great deal of positive response to our plan this year.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Fred Coleman

Let the showers bring the flowers.



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