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REPORT OF FUNDS JULY 1995

RECREATION ASSOCIATION CHECKING BALANCE \$ 35,158.40
 TIMBER CHECKING NO REPORT

CHECKS DISBURSED JULY 1995 (REC. ASSOC.)

7449	DALE SMITH	TROUT & FISH DERBY	\$ 1,000.00
7450	MATT SCHAFFER	P/R	150.00
7451	JAMES DOTSON	P/R	150.00
7452	MICHAEL BLAKE	P/R	200.97
7453	LUKE TAYLOR	P/R	160.25
7454	JAMES DOTSON	P/R	43.84
7455	MATT SHAEFER	P/R	484.08
7456	MICHAEL WEBER	P/R	144.75
7457	DALE SMITH	P/R	623.13
7458	CENTRAL VALLEY TANK	NEW WATER TANK	1,000.00
7559	J. C. PENNEY	DRAPES-CARETAKER'S CABIN	284.05
7460	VOID		0
7461	US BANK	P/R TAX	604.57
7462	EMP. DEV. DEPT.	P/R TAX	247.10
7463	FLAVIN & ASSOCIATES	BOOKKEEPING	490.00
7464	ZAKS AUTO SHACK	REPAIR EQUIPMENT	35.32
7465	GEORGE REED, INC	REPAIR ROADS	427.62
7466	A. T. & T.	TELEPHONE	4.25
7467	J. S. WEST	PROPANE	31.11
7468	PACIFIC BELL	TELEPHONE	27.65
7469	TWAIN HARTE SAW & MOTOR	SHOP SUPPLIES	269.41
7470	GENERAL PLUMBING	REPAIR WATER	320.81
7471	CAL SIERRA DISPOSAL	GARBAGE	1,221.65
7472	SONORA RENTALS	REPAIR ROADS	528.58
7473	SUGAR PINE HARDWARE	REPAIR BUILDINGS	52.97
7474	AQUA LABS	WATER TEST	150.00
7475	VOID		0
7476	DUANE ST. CLAIR TRUCKING	ROAD REPAIR	270.00
7477	P. G. & E.	ELECTRICITY	731.55
7478	DORIS KILGORE	MEMBER COMMUNICATION	52.00
7479	SIERRA PARK LODGE	SUPPLIES	31.92
7480	MATT SHAEFER	REPAIR EQUIPMENT	142.89
7481	JASPER MORRISON	MILEAGE	45.00
7482	WILLIAM ZOBEL	MILEAGE	60.00
7483	FRED COLEMAN	SUPPLIES	82.48
7484	GORDON GREENE	MILEAGE	68.50
7485	RON HAWKE	MILEAGE	60.00
7486	JOHN HANCOCK FINANCIAL	DALE'S SARSEP	225.00
		TOTAL	10,421.45
7487	ODD.REC.TIMBER CD	TRUCK PMT.	18,150.00
7488	ODD.REC.WATER CD	WATER PMT.	9,075.00

SIERRA PARK NEWS FOR JULY 1995

SIERRA PARK LODGE #376 Odd Fellows meetings are held the 2nd & 4th Sat. of each month at 7 PM in the Rec. Hall. We are planning an Initiatory Degree for the meeting of September 9, 1995. Candidates will receive a letter. Other members are welcome.

WEATHER - Summer is here and fire season is fast upon us. This year will be bad because of so much rain. All needles and brush should be cleared around your cabin by now as requested by the Forestry Department.

This time of year beware of rattlesnakes and mountain lions.

RECREATION - The annual barbecue - steak or hot dogs - will be held on Sunday September 3, 1995 of the Labor Day Weekend, in the picnic grounds. Mark the date on your calendar.

GARBAGE - Remember: WET GARBAGE ONLY in the dumpster and use recycle bins for all other garbage.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - Anyone coming up to their cabin and have a few minutes to spare, the park could use a little of your time to paint the picnic tables (Paint and brushes will be furnished to you) and weed around the flower garden under the flag pole and around the small redwood trees in the recreation grounds.

SPECIAL NOTICE - There have been several complaints about the raise in assessment. If you read the list of bills you will see that insurance has taken a great deal of that increase. Garbage cost has risen by 40%, and other items have risen accordingly. The state has required more tests for water, some quite costly. All things considered, we are fortunate that our assessment is as low as it is. Other communities around us pay much higher assessments than ours for less services. We realize that many of our members live on "fixed income"; however, we try to keep costs down as much as possible.

Hope to see you next month.....Sierra Sue

ODD FELLOWS SIERRA RECREATION ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING - JULY 9, 1995

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 9:05 AM by President Edward Smith. All members present except Adams, excused.

MINUTES - The minutes of the 6/11/95 meeting were approved as printed.

CARETAKERS REPORT - Thank Ben Hunter for cleaning litter around the lake every morning. Thank Dick Cakebread for keeping the park clean.

CORRESPONDENCE - 1. From Sonora Insurance Agency - policy. 2. Water Resources Board - meeting. 3. Boy Scouts of America - Information on summer program. 4. Harold Little - Request for information on voting privileges. 5. Warren Ihrig and Theresa Dietrich - complaining on the assessment. 6. Tim Tate - permit for timber harvest. 7. Tax bills - which show the increase for this year.

MEMBERS BEFORE THE BOARD - 1. Bonnie Stevens and Chuck James - representatives from the Forestry Department. They presented the Forestry view point on fire danger and protection measures. Metal on rocks have a continuing problem in causing fires. Undergrowth adds to the fire danger and is particularly bad this year. As an example of cost a recent one fourth acre fire cost the Forestry \$3,000.00.

Off highway vehicles are required to have spark arresters and a green sticker from the DMV. Unlicensed children must be supervised by an adult. See letter on a meeting to discuss these problems.

COMMITTEE REPORTS WATER - Greene - Water use: 508,000 gals. Tanks are hooked into the system and are being filled. MSC to replace the float system with a sensor system to control the pumping. There was discussion on controlling growth in the lake. There was no decision. There will be further study on all the implications.

ROADS - Morrison-Bridge will start tomorrow (July 10). The bridge will be closed to vehicular traffic until the job is complete. Traffic will have to go around by the Boy Scout grounds to get out. No delivery trucks to the isolated section of the park will be allowed during the construction. There are several lots that need culvert work. The secretary will write to owners involved.

BUILDINGS - Hawke - The Rec Hall needs a larger sink for washing large pots. There is also a need for more storage. Ron Hawke is to get prices on these items. The window in the ladies room must be fixed.

TIMBER - Adams - No report

RECREATION - Bonner - There were 68 kids at the fish derby. They all had a fine time. There was \$144 donated at the derby and other donations since totalling almost \$500. The cost of fish and other items for the derby came to approximately \$950. The board wishes to thank members who have donated for the fish derby: The lodge, Coyle, Pistolera, Fitzgerald, Harvey, Muth, Oveacker, Baughn, Lundrigan, Shrine Club, and several unnamed members who contributed at the Derby.

There was discussion on the Labor Day Barbecue and checking on planning for obtaining food for the event.

At the fish derby someone picked up a wrong jacket: a Chicago Bulls boys jacket. Also a watch and some keys were turned in. For any of these items please see Dale for more information or return.

HEALTH AND SAFETY - Coleman - The new cable has been placed in the lake. It still needs floats to keep the cable in proper position. Floats are to be obtained and installed on the cable in the near future. The chains on the swings need to be covered with plastic sheeting. This will be taken care of.

There is to be NO cutting of standing trees in the undeveloped land. If a tree is not on the ground it is to be left standing.

EQUIPMENT - Smith - The pick up needs a new battery.

FINANCE - Zobel - Any assessments not paid on by July 31 will be turned over to the collection agency. We have heard from 267 of the 323 members as of this date. More come in daily.

The Timber Fund has been fully reimbursed for the snow plow.

Bills for July total \$10,421.45. MSC that we pay the bills.

MSC to continue to collect our assessments as we have in the past.

OLD BUSINESS - In order to bring our records up to date a motion was MSC to request each Odd Fellow who is not a member of Lodge #376 to submit a copy of his paid up dues receipt to the Board before Sept. 1, 1995. If evidence of Odd Fellow membership is not received by Sept. 1, 1995 the Park member will have his category changed. Please send a copy of your dues receipt to

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NEW BUSINESS - None

No further business appearing, the meeting closed at 11:29 AM. The next meeting will be Sunday, August 13, 1995 at 9:00 AM. Respectfully submitted, Bill Kilgore, Secretary

ATTENTION: All ATV owners/operators.

A meeting has been scheduled on September 2, 1995 at 10:00 AM at the recreation hall for owners/operators of ATVs. The meeting will be conducted by representatives of the U.S. Forestry Service concerning the potential fire danger of ATV operations in the forest. This meeting is highly recommended since all of us, ATV owners and non-owners, have a great deal to lose in event of a fire. This meeting might help prevent a tragedy that could wipe out our investment.

There will also be a voluntary inspection of your ATVs at the meeting in order to determine if they meet regulations.

Please plan on attending and help prevent a fire that could destroy what we all enjoy - our community in the mountains. Thank you!!

The following is the major portion of a letter that was sent in response to a complaint of the voting system that exists in this park.

Please be aware of some of the history of the Park: In 1948 a group of members of the Independent Order of Odd fellows purchased the property - about 600 acres from a Mr. Sylvester. They wrote by-laws that made it mandatory that anyone buying into the park must belong to the Order - Odd Fellows or Rebekahs. The by-laws had a 25 year self-destruct clause in it - that is, a new set of by-laws had to be written in 1973. It took ten years to develop a set of by-laws that would be legal. To accomplish the intent of the original group it was necessary to establish two organizations: A Homeowners Association composed of all owners in the park whether belonging to the Order or not; and a Recreation Association composed of those Homeowners who belonged to the Order. The Homeowners own their individual lots and any structures that the lot may contain. The Recreation Association owns all the undeveloped land, including the Rec. Hall and the caretaker's cabin and the fire house.

As to voting rights: There is no restriction on voice at the Annual Meetings; there may be some restriction on letters to the Board from one who is a homeowner but not a member of the Recreation Association but it is highly unlikely that it will be exercised. As to voting: Homeowners vote on the money matters; Recreation members vote on the Board members, since nearly all the business of the park is concerned with running the undeveloped land and park buildings, that is, Roads, Park buildings and equipment, water system. It is not really "taxation without representation" since you do have a voice and vote on the assessments. If your wife belongs to the Rebekahs you have full voting rights.

The by-laws provide that one person gets one vote, no more than one vote per lot. That has been interpreted so that if each of the husband and wife belongs to the Order and they own two lots they can be allowed two votes (one each).

The system of Proxies was included since that is a legal requirement. It has helped us to achieve a quorum much more quickly than we did before the proxy system was contained in the by-laws.