

Sierra Recreation Association

July 2006

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Road Maintenance

During August 23rd & 24th the roads and surfaces paved since 1996 will be Fog Sealed (oil & water mix). Please remove all Vehicles, trailers, and etc. from the roads on these days. Work will begin at 8:00 AM on each day, and each road will be closed for 4 to 8 hours once sealed. Please DO NOT use the roads while they are closed. Below is the schedule:

<p>Wednesday August 23rd</p> <p>Wheeler Road Rebecca Road Deborah Drive Esther Avenue Lower Meriam</p>	<p>Thursday August 24th</p> <p>David Drive Jordan Way East Jordan Way West Moses Beersheba Jonathan Lower Abraham Avenue Jesse Joseph Drive Lodge Parking Lot</p>
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On Wednesday August 23rd Wheeler Road will be closed for 5 to 8 hours. During that time, please enter and exit the park via Long Barn Sugar Pine Road. A portion of Long Barn Sugar Pine Road is a one lane dirt road with areas wide enough to pass opposing traffic. Please use caution and drive slowly!

To access Long Barn Sugar Pine Road from Highway 108, proceed past Wheeler Road and take the first right onto Long Barn Road. Take the first right on to Long Barn Sugar Pine Road and bare left at the fork. Proceed down the hill. At the bottom of the hill, the paved road ends into a one lane dirt road that leads to the intersection of David Drive and Goliath Drive within the park.

To access Long Barn Sugar Pine Road from within the park, proceed to the intersection of David Drive and Goliath Drive and enter Long Barn Sugar Pine Road through the gate. Proceed to the end of the road, and turn left on to Long Barn Road. To head into town, turn left on Highway 108.

Annual Assessments

Approximately 2/3rd of the Annual Assessments have been received as of time of writing. Annual Assessments are late if not received by September 1st and will be assessed a \$25.00 late fee after that, and for each month that any balance due remains. This year's assessment is \$600.00.

Park Calendar

Board meeting are generally held on the third Saturday of each month beginning at 8:30 AM.

Board Meetings: August 19th, September 16th,
October 21st, November 18th,
December 16th

Annual Bingo Night: September 2nd, at 6:00 p.m.

Holiday Dinner: December 16th

Gate Cards, Remotes and Contractor Codes

To obtain cards, remotes and/or contractor codes send an e-mail to the park's e-mail address or leave a message on the park's phone. Both are located at the top of this page. E-mail is the preferred method. Response time is approximately one week, plus delivery time. Cards are \$30.00 and remotes \$40.00 each. Cards and remotes can be mailed for an additional \$3.00.

Contractor codes must be requested directly by the homeowner, and contractor codes will be issued only to the homeowner. The homeowner is responsible for all those using the code issued to that homeowner.

Fire Safety Lot Inspections

Fire safety lot inspections have been completed.

Approximately 10 lots are out of conformance. The following violations were noted:

- Needles are raked but not to 30 feet.
- Needles on the roof.
- Fire wood and scrap wood on deck.
- Vegetation is too high.
- Bear clover is very close to the house.
- Tree branches touching the roof.
- Needles not raked.
- Deck is down for repair, it needs to be moved away from the cabin.



Normally CDF would have sent out citations by this time, but because of fires, they have been delayed. If the nonconforming lots are brought into conformance prior to re-inspection, a citation and court date may be avoided.



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes July 15, 2006

The board of directors meeting was called to order at 8:39 a.m. The invocation was offered by Alan Orth. Those present were Charles Varvayanis – President, Mike Rainwater – Secretary, Doris Selman – Treasurer, Mike Ford, Alan Orth, and Steve Wallace. Those absent were Mike Van Gundy – Vice President, Dan Meade, and Clark Kellogg, all excused.

Members before the board: None.

Minutes: The minutes of the June meeting were approved as mailed. (Motion Varvayanis/Rainwater, Unanimous)

Correspondence: 1) Letter from Caldwell Insurance, 2) Letter 1st American Title re: Notton property, 3) Letter 1st American Title re. Grant deed McKernan, 4) e-mail from Janet Jory re. oiling of roads in Aug. 5) Letter from Steve Roseman re. Harassment at the lake, 6) Calif. State Dept. of Health re. Water project loans, 7) Letter from State Board of Equalization of timber tax, 8) Letter from PGE re. fire agency testing, 9) Info on Calif. Tree Farm, 10) Letter notifying of water classes and information, 11) Letter from Zenith re. Workman's Comp Ins., and 12) 5 e-mails requiring gate information.

Committee Reports

Water – Rainwater: Water usage was 1,004,400 gals. Have a pressure problem regarding two residences on Jordan Way West. Explanation of the annual water report concerning the terminology used by Aqua Lab. The required test for copper and lead was completed last week along with the nitrate tests of the wells.

Roads – Wallace: George Reed has set Aug. 23rd & 24th as the dates for the roads to be Fog Sealed. Information provided by Varvayanis is that the sealant should be dry within six hours. Do not drive on them for at least six hours. If you have to leave the park, please try to do so before they start the sealing and try to schedule your return late in the afternoon. The Long Barn/Sugar Pine Road will be open in order to leave or enter the park.

Buildings – Varvayanis: All in good order.

Timber – Ford: Spoke with Will Dorrell regarding grant money and they are not available until September/October 2006. These grants would assist in the thinning and cleaning of our compartments surrounding the park.

Recreation – Varvayanis: No new information.

Health & Safety – Varvayanis: New sets of keys will be made for the new Board members. A special thanks to Darrell Clark with his assistance in helping Mike Caropreso with the trimming of bushes and trees throughout the Park improving the visibility for drivers on our roads.

Equipment – Orth: Will be ascertaining the value of the equipment as to current value for insurance purposes. Some of the equipment is over insured versus their current value.

Finance – Selman: Motion to pay the bills as reviewed and signed. (Rainwater/Ford, Unanimous) Two-thirds of the assessments have been paid which is approx. \$138,200.00

Old Business: 1) Pay phone would cost the Park \$75.00 per month therefore the phone will not be retained. 2) Pine needle removal from the burn area will start on Monday July 17th. Mike Caropreso will work with the crews until the pile has been removed; including his days off which he'll trade for other days off. 3) Mike Ford asked if a registered letter to the Klay residence had been sent and President Varvayanis indicated that it would be sent. 4) An event calendar should be included in the newsletter so that residents can plan in advance events that occur in the Park. 5) Mike Caropreso will be provided with monthly gate codes for personnel performing services within the Park for the Park only. 6) Concern by Rainwater that the Park phone is not being checked for messages continuously. This concern arises when Doris Selman leaves the Park for extended times. Some requests via the park phone can be delayed; however, as a courtesy to the caller, a return call should be made indicating that their request has been noted and will be taken care of as soon as possible. Doris Selman does a terrific job answering the phone and handling the requests, but she is not always going to be present. Other Board members then indicated that they would assist with the answering of the Park phone when needed. 7) State and Federal tax forms will be sent. 8) Rainwater questioned the present web site that was being used for the Park and felt that if the Park decides to have a web site then it should be one of our own and not attached to any other. President Varvayanis indicated he would research the costs and the Board would table any further discussion until the Aug. meeting. 9) Discussion concerning the sprinkler system around the new playground equipment. The installation was done correctly with proper drainage for the winter months. However, the sprinklers themselves were not what was originally planned and a motion (Rainwater/Ford, Unanimous) that the appropriate sprinkler heads be purchased, at a cost of no more than \$500.00, that are pop-up sprinklers. With the appropriate sprinkler heads installed, the possibility of an injury to a resident is reduced and the chance of damage to the sprinklers is minimal. 10) Al Orth has inspected the lots and will reinspect them with Mike Caropreso prior to notifying CDF on Monday July 17th of any violations. 11) Copy of the by-laws will be presented to all Board members who do not have a set.



New Business: 1) The Board would like to ask all old Board members and officers if any of you have old information about the Park that could be used by the new Board such as maps, water information, Park history, and etc. If you wish to keep what information you have, please do so, but the Board is asking for at least a copy of your information. Thank You. 2) Ford will contact PGE concerning the dead trees just inside the entrance to the Park and when they might be removed. 3) Wallace will contact Cover Tree Co. and Mark Patton concerning the cost of removing several dead trees located throughout the Park on Park land. 4) Boy Scouts' land has been sold but no further information is available at this time. Motion (Selman/Wallace, Unanimous) to purchase six no trespassing signs to be posted on our property facing the Boy Scout property. Mike Caropreso will arrange for the purchase of the signs. 5) Discussion concerning the possible dead end water line on Esther and its connection to another main water line. Motion (Varvayanis/Wallace, Unanimous) to research the possibility of connecting directing to the Rebecca line or a line that might exist within the industrial yard. If the industrial line does exist, then in addition to connecting the Esther line, we would also install a fire hydrant in the industrial yard. 6) Board of Supervisors of Tuolumne County has indicated that their ordinance concerning cell towers might be revised and if so, the Park might want to check into the possibility of having a cell tower installed on Park property. Rainwater indicated that he would continue to monitor the progress of what the Board of Supervisors decide to do. 7) No one has stepped forward to do the Newsletter and Board members were asked if anyone wished to volunteer. President Varvayanis indicated that he would this month, but would need other people to help him in the future.

Next meeting is on August 19th at 8:30 a.m.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Rainwater, Secretary

Checks Disbursed 6/26/2006 - 7/18/2006

Date	Number	Payee	Memo	Amount
7/7/2006	11766	Michael Caropreso	Payroll - 6/19/06-7/2/06	\$938.62
7/7/2006	11767	State Farm Bank	Payroll - deduction	\$50.00
7/7/2006	11768	Michael Caropreso	Payroll - end of year vacation a pay	\$406.35
7/12/2006	11769	U S Bank	Payroll - Taxes	\$935.86
7/10/2006	101	EDD	State Tax	\$90.04
7/18/2006	102	U S Postmaster	Member communications	\$275.00
7/18/2006	103	Glenn S. Caldwell Insurance	Insurance for Board, required by state	\$2,656.00
7/18/2006	104	Secretary of State	Taxes & License	\$25.00
7/18/2006	105	Michael Caropreso	Employee Health benefit	\$181.00
7/18/2006	106	J. S. West	Utilities - Propane	\$79.35
7/18/2006	107	A T & T	Utilities - Telephone	\$68.48
7/18/2006	108	A & A Portables, Inc.	Health & Safety	\$262.22
7/18/2006	109	Waste Management	Garbage	\$1,263.47
7/18/2006	110	P G & E	Utilities - Electricity	\$1,011.44
7/18/2006	111	Alan Wallace	Maintain water - equip. for well #6	\$260.62
7/18/2006	112	Eric A Carlson Accounting	Accounting - Taxes & Assessments	\$2,691.36
7/18/2006	113	Zenith Ins. Co	Workman's Compensation Insurance	\$860.00
7/18/2006	114	George Reed, Inc.	Maintain roads - repair cracks	\$6,000.00
Total Disbursements				\$18,054.81

Note: Our checking account has been moved from US Bank to Oak Valley Community Bank



Sierra Park Odd Fellows Lodge No. 376
 Post Office Box 214, Long Barn, California 95335
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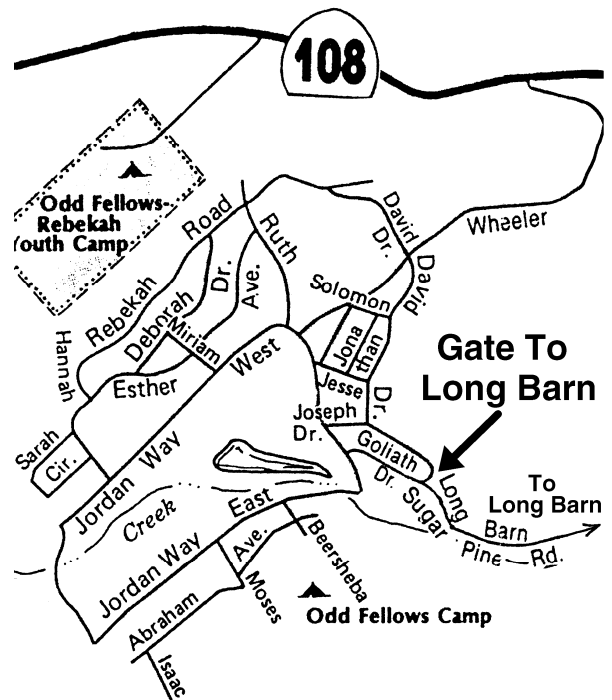
Lodge meetings are held at the lodge in Sierra Park on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. followed a potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m.



Dogwood Rebekah Lodge No. 205
 Post Office Box 205, Long Barn, California 95335
 For information contact: Doris Williams (209) 586-5580

Lodge meetings are held at the lodge in Sierra Park on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 12:00 Noon, and social meetings on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. followed a potluck dinner.

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