

Sierra Recreation Association



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Annual Bingo Night

Bingo Night is September 2nd 2006. Cost is \$10.00 with a \$30.00 pay out for winners, 15 games. Please bring a dessert.

Gate Card, Remote and Code Policy Revised

To obtain Gate Cards, Remotes and/or Codes send a request 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 each, Remotes are \$50.00 each, and Codes are \$25.00 each. Codes are issued at the discretion of the park, and are good for a maximum of 90 days, but may be renewed free of charge at the discretion of the park, by sending a request to the park's e-mail address or leaving a message on the park's phone. Codes can be revoked at any time without notice at the discretion of the park. Cards and remotes can be mailed to the homeowners mailing address on file for an additional \$3.00.

Gate Cards, Remotes, and Codes must be requested directly by the homeowner, and will be issued only to the homeowner.

The homeowner is responsible for all those using Gate Cards, Remotes, and Codes issued to that homeowner.

Park Rules and Regulation Amended

The Park Rules and Regulations have been amended to reflect the changes in the Gate Card, Remote and Code Policy stated above. Please add this page of the newsletter, or a copy of the policy stated above to your existing Park Rules and Regulations to form a complete set. In addition, the complete Park Rules and Regulations may be viewed, downloaded, and/or printed from the website.

Annual Assessments Grace Period

A ten day grace period has been added for this year only.

Annual Assessments are late if not received by September 10th 2006 and will be assessed a \$25.00 late fee after that, and on the 1st of each month that any balance due remains. This year's assessment is \$600.00.

Park Calendar

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

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

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

Holiday Dinner: December 16th

Realtor Lock Box Service at Gate Terminated

Do to difficulties associated with the Realtor Lock Box previously located at the gate, the Realtor Lock Box Service at the gate has been terminated.

It is the homeowner's responsibility to provide access to Realtor.

The homeowner is responsible for all those using Gate Cards, Remotes, and Codes issued to that homeowner.

The Gate Card, Remote and Code Policy has been revised to better accommodate these needs. See "Gate Card, Remote and Code Policy Revised" on this page.

Fireworks

Fireworks are illegal in Tuolumne County. This is mainly due to the extreme fire hazard and the difficulty in suppressing fires in our vicinity.

Please respect this and do not set off any fireworks.

If it is ever necessary to report fireworks, please dial 911 and not the park phone, it is not normally manned. The sheriffs will respond.

Caretaker's Compensation

In response to a request at the annual meeting, the caretaker's 2005/2006 base compensation is posted below:

Hourly rate: \$20.00 plus overtime Health care: \$250.00 per month Sick Time: 10 days per year

Vacation: 1.2501 days per month



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes August 19, 2006

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 8:30A.M. The invocation was offered by Alan Orth. Those present were Charles Varvayanis – President, Mike Rainwater – Secretary, Doris Selman – Treasurer, Mike Ford, Alan Orth, Steve Wallace, Dan Meade, and Clark Kellogg. Mike Van Gundy – Vice President was absent and excused. Also present was Mike Caropreso – Caretaker.

Members before the board: None.

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

Correspondence: 1) Letters/Flyers concerning Water Programs & Conferences, 2) E-mail from Chris Garnin, a local realtor, 3) E-mail from Walt Fowler re: free stove, 4) Letter from Mark Knapp re: construction of a parking pad, 5) Yellow pages ad, 6) Scottsdale Ins. re: insurance notification, and 7) Corporate Compliance re: annual meeting minutes.

Committee Reports

Water – Rainwater: Water usage was 1,878,400 gals. Pressure problem on Jordan Way East has been corrected. Monthly report from Aqua Lab indicates the Park's water is very good.

Roads – Wallace: Ordered road base that is needed on the shoulders of Rebecca from last years paving. **Buildings – Kellogg:** Receiving quotes on a new heater for the lodge and keys were passed out to the new board members.

Timber – Ford: Contacted PGE regarding the dead trees at the entrance of the Park and several days later PGE inspected the trees; marking the ones with xx"s that they would drop. The trees should be dropped in the very near future. Several other trees inside the Park that are near power lines need to be inspected and dropped. Board members were asked that when the tree cutters started dropping the trees at the entrance that we should bring to their attention the other dead trees.

Recreation – Meade: Bingo Night will be September 2nd. Cost is \$10.00 with \$30.00 pay out for winners, 15 games. Please bring a dessert.

Health & Safety – Varvayanis: Need to review the use of the bridge on Jordan Way West, Steve Wallace will get estimates to move the bridge. Need to check on the status of the Long Barn/Sugar Pine Road at the end of Jordan Way West. Will check on the costs for fire hose equipment & portable pressure pump.

Equipment – Orth: Sent a list to insurance company asking for an update on value of equipment. The service records on all the equipment looks good. The back hoe had a leak but Mike Caropreso was able to fix it. A motion by Kellogg/Meade to replace the fuel pump on the 1987 blue Park pickup and either sell it or gift it away. Motioned passed with 6 "yes" and 2 "no."

Finance – Selman: Motion to pay the bills as presented, reviewed, and signed. (Kellogg/Ford, Unan.) As of July 31st 2006, we have received \$132,820 in assessments and there is still \$51,000 still owing. Motion to increase the cost of the gate remotes from \$40.00 to \$50.00 effective September 15th 2006. (Selman/Meade, 7-1 passed)

Old Business: 1) A registered letter was sent to the Klay residence. 2) Park's "Rules and Regulations" should be amended to reflect the changes in gate code rules which now read that it is the homeowner's responsibility to acquire a code if needed. 3) Costs on having a Web site were reviewed. Board agreed to continue the present web site as long as it indicated that it was the unofficial web site of the Park. 4) There was some concern over the work being done on the water line that is a dead end on Esther. Board agreed that this project is necessary and should proceed and be completed as soon as possible. Motion to complete the project with funds from the water reserve fund. (Varvayanis/Selman, Unanimous) 5) Information regarding the caretaker's compensation package will be included in the newsletter as promised at the General meeting. Motion to present only the hourly rate, medical/dental package, and vacation benefits. (Ford/Kellogg, Unanimous)

New Business: 1) Request from homeowner for access to a residence was not park business because it involved private property. 2) Incident of someone hearing fireworks called the park phone to report the incident. Please don't call the park phone, fireworks are a violation of a county ordinance and you should call the Sheriff's Department 3) A clarification regarding park wood and who can cut it. At the present, any wood removed from Park property belongs to the Odd Fellows and Rebecca's. President Varvayanis asked that the board study this issue and come back next month with



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suggestions. 4) There was an incident with a homeowner and the Park's caretaker. After a complete investigation by several parties, the incident was found to be unfounded and no further action taken. 5) Realtors have requested access to the Park for purpose of selling homes and the Board indicated that the policy would be that the responsibility would be on the homeowner to provide access for the realtor and not the Park. 6) Motion to charge \$25.00 for a temporary gate code, 90 days, for contractors doing work for homeowners in the Park effective September 1st 2006 (Varvayanis/Orth, Unanimous) 7) Discussion on the caretaker's annual review with a motion for a \$2.00 an hour raise based on performance effective August 28th 2006 (Varvayanis/Wallace, Unanimous)

Next meeting is on September 16th at 8:30 a.m.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Rainwater, Secretary

Checks Disbursed 7/19/2006 - 8/21/2006

Date	Number	Payee	Memo	Amount
7/21/2006	115	Michael Caropreso	Payroll 7/3 -7/16/06	\$1,098.23
7/21/2006	116	Robert Cloak	Payroll July	\$91.55
7/21/2006	117	State Farm Bank	Payroll deduction	\$50.00
7/25/2006	118	EDD	State Tax	\$26.78
8/2/2006	119	Oak Valley Bank	Payroll Taxes	\$1,046.52
8/2/2006	120	EDD	State Tax	\$96.53
8/4/2006	121	State Farm Bank	Payroll deduction	\$50.00
8/4/2006	122	Michael Caropreso	Payroll 7/17/06 - 7/30/06	\$938.62
8/18/2006	123	Michael Caropreso	Payroll 7/31/06 - 8/13/06	\$982.15
8/18/2006	124	Robert Cloak	Payroll August	\$91.55
8/18/2006	125	State Farm Bank	Payroll deduction	\$50.00
8/21/2006	126	A & A Portables, Inc	Health & Safety	\$153.36
8/21/2006	127	AT&T	Telephone	\$71.62
8/21/2006	128	Angel's Pest Control	Maintain Buildings	\$130.00
8/21/2006	129	Michael Caropreso	Medical benefits 6/2005 to current	\$954.14
8/21/2006	130	Tom Clark	Rental Deposit refund	\$200.00
8/21/2006	131	Eric A Carlson Accounting	Accounting / Taxes & assessments	\$1,106.76
8/21/2006	132	General Plumbing	Maintain Water system	\$196.19
8/21/2006	133	Glenn Caldwell Ins.	Insurance	\$2,905.79
8/21/2006	134	Evan Hatler	Needle Expense	\$2,650.00
8/21/2006	135	J. S. West	Utilities / Propane	\$57.30
8/21/2006	136	PG&E	Utilities / Electricity	\$1,093.62
8/21/2006	137	Postolu Transport Svc	Needle Expense	\$2,392.00
8/21/2006	138	Secretary of State	Taxes & License	\$20.00
8/21/2006	139	Sierra Rock Products	Needle Expense	\$2,500.00
8/21/2006	140	Sonora Rentals	Maintain Water system	\$127.50
8/21/2006	141	Twain Harte Lumber	Maintain water & general park	\$236.52
8/21/2006	142	Valley Door & Entry	Gate expense	\$1,716.00
8/21/2006	143	Waste Management	Garbage	\$864.53

Total Disbursements



Sierra Park Odd Fellows Lodge No. 376 Post Office Box 214, Long Barn, California 95335 For information contact: Bill Williams (209) 586-5580

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 the1st 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.

A bear was recently spotted on a resident's deck. Please use caution storing items that may be tempting to a bear.

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