

Sierra Recreation Association

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Thoughts and Prayers

The Board of Directors experienced a truly heart felt situation when one of our own suffered a serious stroke earlier this month. We are very fortunate to report that Charles Varvayanis is recovering and hopefully will be home soon. Our thoughts and prayers go out to him and his family and we pray that Charles has a speedy and full recovery.

House Number Signs

Did you order your house signs? Many of us who live in the Park full time would be happy to help in anyway possible in order for you to obtain these signs. These signs are very important, not only to the emergency personnel that might need to respond to your residence, but to those of us in the Park that might need to respond to your property also. Many times our caretaker or I have received calls requesting that we check a homeowners' cabin to make sure everything is ok. Sometimes that request becomes difficult because there is no address posted on the residence.

The cost of a single-sided sign is \$9.00, with a double-sided costing \$12.00. To order a sign, call Dewey Barron at 209-533-1505. Mr. Barron is a volunteer for the Tuolumne County Sheriff's Office Community Service.

Park Calendar

Board Meetings are generally held on the third Saturday of each month beginning at 8:30 A.M. Homeowners are encouraged to attend.

Board Meetings: October 20th, November 17th
December 15th

Christmas Dinner: December 15th in the Lodge

Potluck Night: A monthly potluck dinner held the
third Saturday of the month at 5:00
P.M. for all Sierra Park residents.

Sierra Park Potluck

The Dogwood Rebekah Lodge #200 will host their last Potluck Dinner for 2007 on October 20th at 5:00 P.M. in the Park's Lodge. The potluck dinner is open to all park residents and their friends. No raffle will be held this time. Potlucks will resume in the spring. These dinners are terrific and they provide a time for fellowship. Come join us for the last potluck of 2007.

Christmas Dinner

The Christmas Dinner is open to all Park residents. The dinner will be on December 15th at 5:00 P.M. Residents are asked to bring a side dish or dessert, table settings, and a beverage of your choice. The Park provides the turkey, potatoes, dressing, cranberry sauce, rolls/butter, and gravy. Please plan on attending as there is always plenty to eat. We are checking to see if Santa will be stopping by!!!!

President's Corner

Once upon a time in an enchanted community Park there was a group of Directors who felt that it was in the best interest of the community to inspect the Park and notify its constituents of any possible areas of concern. A short time later, the master inspector arrived in the Park and inspected the enchanted community for fire safety violations. The master inspector was impressed with the beauty and overall condition of the community, but never the less found fifty-two violations and issued citations to those homeowners. Today, the enchanted community Park has received phone calls requesting help in locating outside elves to clean up the areas which caused the violation. Some of the master inspector's violations are costing the homeowner more than \$350.00. The Board of Directors wishes no one this ill fate and attempted to assist the homeowner as best as possible. Unfortunately, the master inspector (CDF) has the final say and he spoke loud and clear this year.

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Checks Disbursed 8/26/2007 -
9/17/2007

Date	Check Number	Payee	Memo	Amount
8/31/2007	477	Michael Caropreso	Payroll 8/13-8/26/07	\$1,120.33
8/31/2007	478	Robert B. Cloak	Water Testing	\$91.75
8/31/2007	479	State Farm Bank	Payroll Deduction	\$50.00
9/5/2007	480	EDD	Payroll Taxes	\$160.44
9/5/2007	481	Oak Valley Bank	Payroll Taxes	\$1,617.67
9/7/2007	482	Franchise Tax Board	Annual State Corporation Tax	\$800.00
9/14/2007	483	Michael Caropreso	Payroll 8/27-9/9/07	\$1,060.95
9/14/2004	484	State Farm Bank	Payroll Deduction	\$50.00
9/17/2007	485	A & A Portables, Inc.	Health & Safety	\$80.73
9/17/2007	486	AT & T	Telephone	\$86.56
9/17/2007	487	Eric A. Carlson Accountancy	Accounting Services	\$819.11
9/17/2007	488	J.S. West	Utilities - Propane	\$53.46
9/17/2007	489	PG & E	Utilities - Electricity	\$667.77
9/17/2007	490	Waste Management	Garbage	\$1,516.01
9/17/2007	491	Sierra Instant Printing	Newsletter printing and processing	\$131.35
9/17/2007	492	Glenn S. Caldwell Insurance	Endorsement Premiums	\$1,041.56
9/17/2007	493	Kellogg's Supply	Equipment maintenance - Back Hoe repair	\$182.60
9/17/2007	494	Twain Harte Lumber	Barricades for road maintenance	\$24.17
9/17/2007	495	Vic's Towing, Inc.	Equipment maintenance - Tow Dump Truck	\$170.00
9/17/2007	496	Steve Wallace	Office Supplies	\$43.87
9/17/2007	497	Zak's Auto Shack	Shop Supplies	\$53.52
9/17/2007	498	Tom Clark	Accounting Services	\$800.00
			TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$10,621.85

Board of Directors Minutes
September 15, 2007

- The meeting was called to order at 8:27am by President Rainwater.
- The invocation was offered by Clark Kellogg.
- Those present: Mike Rainwater, president; Steve Wallace, vice-president; Sue Collie, secretary; Clark Kellogg; Charles Varvayanis; and Mike Ford. Doris Selman; Al Orth; Tom Clark, treasurer were all absent and excused.
- Members before the board: Leo Amaro with a personal matter before the board. {Motion to allow Leo who has a mobility disability to have access to back roads for deer season. Motion by Sue Collie, 2nd by Clark Kellogg; vote: yes 5, no 1.}

Correspondence: 1) Kirk Kleinen letter; motion to accept his agreement by Clark Kellogg, 2nd by Mike Ford. Yes 4, no 2, so moved. 2) E-mail from Sandra Garvin concerning off road use of land was discussed. 3) E-mail from Deanne Mooney was discussed; response will be sent. 4) E-mail from Larry Giacomino was discussed as well as response from Charles. 5) Letter from Pat Monahan regarding grants for fuel reduction discussed and board member will start attending meetings. 6) E-mail from Roland Possentini/ Motion by Clark K., 2nd by Mike F. to approve improvement to driveway with provision that improvement will not impede or obstruct in anyway the snow plowing of our roads. Vote: unanimous. Concern of berms cannot be helped. 7) Letter from insurance asking Mike R. to set up internet access to insurance services and he agreed. 8) E-mail from Erin and Brian Parker was discussed.

- Minutes of the August 18, 2007 board meeting: motion by Charles V. 2nd by Steve W., approved as presented.

Committee Reports

Water: Varvayanis- Water usage was 1,362,500 gallons.

Roads: Wallace- Road basing continuing. Wheeler Rd. sign down and will contact CalTrans to replace. Make a motion to remove “one way” signs on Miriam and Jesse. Motion by Clark K., 2nd by Mike F. vote: unanimous.

Buildings: Ford-The sand shed repair will start next week. Discussion of moving maintenance shop to new location.

Equipment: Orth- Alan was absent. It was noted that the steel has been delivered.

Timber: Varvayanis- The harvest has been delayed until October.

Health and Safety: Selman- Doris was absent. Board discussed Mark Mena’s concern on Esther.

Recreation: Clark- Tom was absent. Next dinner is Christmas Dec. 15th.

Finance: Clark-Tom was absent and his wife, Linda presented for him. Total expenses- \$5668.29 (not including health benefits) Deposits: \$569.95. Twelve assessments still owed with three owing unpaid late fees. This is handled by the billing company. No need for board action.

- o Motion to approve payment of bills as presented by Steve W, seconded by Mike F., vote was unanimous.

Old Business

1. Plan 125- Kellogg: More details were given about the “pop plan” (premium only plan). Motion made by Clark K, 2nd by Charles V to adopt and approve plan to begin now for eligible employees. Vote: unanimous. Clark K. will meet with Mike.
2. Bingo Night on Sept.1st was a huge success with \$233 being raised for the fishing derby! A big thank you to Dan & Kristi Meade and Kim Wach for all their help in every area! Thank you to all who came and those who brought dessert.
3. Water project that was approved at previous board meeting by Cedar Brook will be started Sept.16th.
4. Certificates to shareholders are still being worked on and checked into by Clark K and Tom C.

New Business

1. Discussion of proposed contract agreement of timber exclusion and liability agreement. It was brought to our attention that homeowner’s insurance companies would not look favorably on the contract.
2. Discussion by the board about corporation structure and by laws.

3. Offer of having an AT&T cell tower was discussed and it will be researched for further discussion.
4. Discussed a forest service map and the placement of our gate within park property.

- Meeting was adjourned at 1:42PM.
- Next meeting October 20th, 2007

Respectfully and humbled submitted,
Sue Collie
Secretary
September 19, 2007