

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2008 UNAPPROVED MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President Colin Ferrin at 9:08 a.m. Trustees present were Colin Ferrin, Joyce Munson, Linda Wood, Kris Johnson, Julie Ring, and Pierson Smith.

Joyce Munson stated she would be taping the meeting for the minutes and tapes would be stored for future reference. Unable to attend due to weather issues Ron Bell and Jay Schmidt.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS:

1. Colin stated that he has been reviewing all of the policy documents that we can find and the board will be trying to adhere to the policies in place. We will be reviewing all policies and working towards making them available on line and in written form for the membership so that everyone is aware of them.
2. He apologized for previous statements made about policies.
3. Linda Wood stated that she has been working on a book of the policies and Joe PorKka is putting the ones she has on the website.
4. Bob Swenson stated that we should be updating policies frequently.
5. Colin stated that he has received no response for the open board positions
6. Motion 12-001: Linda Wood made a motion & it was second by Joyce Munson to confirm Ron Bell and Pierson Smith as board members for the terms of at least one year. Passed unanimously with no nay votes.

MINUTES APPROVAL

1. Motion Kris Johnson and second by Linda Wood to approve minutes of 11/15/08 meeting. Passed unanimously no nay votes.

CARETAKERS REPORT:

1. Harold stated that the groomer had dead batteries and that Colin had gotten groomer up and running.
2. Harold will be available on Sundays until noon to issue parking stickers unless other issues interfere.
3. Harold states that we have water leaks in main piping that we have been unable to pinpoint, Thanks members who have worked with him by having water shut off for portions of the day to help get the tanks filled back up.
4. A second dumpster has been ordered for the holidays if they can get it up here.
5. The 674-7753 line is working again, the phone that was outside is now located at the east wall inside of the lodge. He thanked members Ralph Munson and Verne Wood for getting this done.
6. Harold asks if we are using the same signage as last year for the roads or do we want signs to say road closed. Discussion followed regarding verbiage and it was decided that the same signs as last year would be put on roads.
7. Harold states that there were members who were stuck on the roads since snow. Members need to be aware that they are responsible for calling a tow truck if stuck.
8. Harold also stated that members who park in the right of way will be towed as it is a danger and he cannot plow or groom. Members need to use the designated parking lots.
9. Harold asks that members remember to shut their water off if away from property for 24 hours.
10. Harold stated that the Firefly system is working well.
11. Bob Swenson asked if Harold should remove stuck vehicles if they present a dangerous situation. Discussion followed regarding the liability for association pros and cons.

- Ultimately it is the member's responsibility to get their vehicle towed.
12. Bruce Polenske asks why association should be responsible for members not heeding conditions.
 12. Pierson Smith would like to thank Devin Castro and Rick Carraway for helping him and others get unstuck.
 13. Joyce Munson asks about snowmobiles not obeying speed limits on roads. States that this is a safety issue. Discussion that this is an ongoing problem every winter; a note will be in minutes regarding this issue.

Colin states that should water shortage become critical during the Christmas Holiday, we will ration the usage to certain times of the day.

TREASURERS REPORT:

1. Linda Wood stated she has been working with bookkeeper to get past due billings out. She wanted a Thanks to Dale DeGour for continuing to work with the grants for fire wise. He has secured money from Kittitas County Conservation district to pay for pile removal in lower parking lot. Also Kittitas County Conservation district has called him and they are working towards naming Sky Meadows a fire-wise community, which will open avenues for future grants. Linda and Dale have spoken with Steve Gibbs of DNR regarding a \$30,000.00 grant to be used for fire-wise program and that money will be forthcoming. This money must be earmarked to pay only fire-wise project bills and that will be done.
2. Linda states that there are 28 properties in 60-90 day past due status for a total of \$15724.44 and 21 properties 90 days or more past due for a total of \$6476.09. Past due billings have gone out and liens will be placed on some properties. Past due balances are down to \$22500.37 from \$31000.00 last month.
3. Money available for paying bills is \$34289.66 until April 2009. If past due funds come in money for bill paying will not be as tight. We are trying to save money everywhere we can.
4. **Discussion followed regarding water lock out and suspension of members privileges if account in past due status. Decision was made that this will take place if fees or arrangement for payment not made by January 1, 2009.**

Motion 12-002 was made by Linda Wood and second by Pierson Smith to approve checks 8991 through 9009 for payment. Passed unanimously no nay votes.

SECRETARY REPORT:

1. Joyce Munson has spoken with Tom Plant regarding program for sending minutes via email. He has a manual done when this was done in the past. He will be getting that to her and she will be working with him to try to get set up before the January meeting. Members may mail her with their information if they would like to have minutes sent via email. We will continue to hard copy those who do not request email.
2. Bob Swenson brought forth information regarding advertising in the minutes for the board to see. Bob states this can be done on email minutes also. Joyce will contact Robin for instructions on how to do this.
3. Bob Swenson states that the goal of a newsletter is to communicate with members.

MEMBER LIASON/ACTIVITES REPORT:

1. Julie Ring states that she has contacted Kittitas County regarding gating our community because of recent thefts and security issues. Spoke with Jan at Kittitas County was told that we couldn't gate due to designation of roads as private with public access. If we would like to approach this issue again we must redo all of the paperwork and pay all fees again and go through entire process again. As we do not have the funds for this at this time, this

issue will need to be tabled.

2. Bob Swenson asks can we gate? Julie states Kittitas county says no unless we want to go through entire process again and pay all fees. We do not have money for that. Bob Swenson says that privatizing the roads is a separate issue from gating. Julie states that she asked about gating not privatizing.
3. Julie states has prepared bags for children for tonight's desert with Santa and sky riders will furnish cookies and frosting for the children to decorate.

ROADS: Colin states that Ron Bell has received emails from property owners along road outside of Sky Meadows stating that there is no right of way parking and that they will have vehicles towed if illegally parked. Harold and Colin are working to get as much area cleared in parking lots as possible for parking. Members please be aware of this and do not park in any right of way.

WATER :

1. Pierson Smith stated Firefly is working well, a few software issues but company is working with us to get these resolved. We have returned a few units that were not working at installation and the road runner that was loaned by company for setting up the units.
2. The sawmill tank has been foamed with 3 inches of foam to seal the tank. Tarp has been placed over the foam until spring when foam can be sealed permanently. Cost of sealing the tank is \$981.00 plus \$100.00 for cleaning the tank before sealing. The sealer for the foam will be \$400.00; this expense will not be incurred until actual work is done in spring.
3. One property owner has requested an upgrade from recreation to part time paper work done and fees paid. This was started by Trent and is now complete.
4. Bob Swenson asked about current production of wells. Harold states that sawmill is producing 7600 gallons a day, 4D 6200 gallons a day, 8 3500 gallons a day, and 4 700 gallons a day. He is transferring all of the time from sawmill, which keeps the system going. At this time there is no ice on sawmill or the taneum tank. We are losing water at Klancy Lane and Pumphouse, and on Fawn road.
5. Linda Wood asks if we will be facing a moratorium? Pierson says that we are working towards leaks being fixed internally and if not cost of contracting out fixing of leaks. Discussion followed regarding new types of piping that is available now.
6. Bob Swenson stated that this is consumption versus allocation issue.
7. Pierson states that he has asked member renting out home to upgrade from part time to full time water status. Discussion followed about time frame in which this needs to happen and how policy is written that addresses this. How will this be handled for all property? Pierson states we will be looking at amount used.
8. Colin states that water consumption will be the criteria and we need to be consistent with policy.

ARCHITECTURAL:

1. Colin Ferrin reported he has received no requests.
2. Pierson stated he had spoken with Ron Bell re: covering tanks at bottom of the meadow. Colin stated this has been discussed before and will be a spring and summer project. Bob Poole and Trent Ely had talked about going off of existing structure with possibly brick or wooden. Pierson, we will need a cofferdam for the foundation.
3. Bob Swenson stated that structure should not detract from meadow appearance.
4. Colin stated that we must address the issue of fencing across top of berm in lower meadow. Linda stated that she had spoken with Dave Chambers about this and he was looking into something to be used as posts for construction fencing.
5. Bob Swenson states that we might need to make the berm lower and there is a liability issue with permanent fencing per our carrier.
6. Colin states that we will be working on a solution for posts and use construction fencing to keep snowmobiles off of the berm.

7. Bob Swenson asks about trucks behind lodge. Colin states that he has no answer at this time. `Kris Johnson states that trucks will be worked on and then moved. Pierson Smith and Joyce Munson stated that they have no problem with trucks being behind lodge
8. Bob Swenson states he will not let this issue drop.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS: Kris Johnson, no report at this time.

FIRE & SAFETY:

1. Colin stated that Dale DeGour has offered to stay on and work with board on fire and safety: **THANK YOU DALE**. We will accept any help offered and we still have a 9th board position that we would like to fill.
2. Bob Swenson states that he will volunteer to haul emergencies in his tracked vehicle if necessary.
3. Pierson Smith states we may want to look into a D Fib unit for future use - cost is about \$1000.00.
4. Colin asked if the rescue sled is ready. Bob Johnson says it is ready for the season.
4. Bob Swenson asks about hitch on sled? He states that the trailer hitch on rescue sled and snowmobile do not match up.
5. Joyce Munson asks if we need to get a new D Fib. Pierson states that newer units have lithium batteries which hold up better than ones in older units.
6. Colin states we will look into this issue for future use.
7. Eileen Polenske asks about Good Samaritan law and legal issues. Bob Johnson replies that if you do not give any medication and aide person within your scope of training historically lawsuits have not found liability.
8. Bob Johnson stated that people using the rescue sled need to practice pulling the sled with patient on board to avoid problems. Colin states we will have a practice time for those involved.

MEMBER CONCERNS:

1. Nancy Exe asks if she can speak with someone about her billing; Linda will speak with her after meeting.
2. Eilleen Polenske thanked board for all that they are doing.
3. Colin Ferrin stated that we will look into new cell phone carrier when contract is up as phones Harold and Kris are using do not get coverage everywhere in Sky Meadows.
4. Pierson Smith asks about guest passes for parking, Harold will put some out.
5. Bob Swenson suggests that we could put passes on line.
6. Linda Wood has email from member asking about fees being charged for 4 lots that have been parceled into 2 lots. Per Colin historically if you own multiple lots within Sky Meadows no matter how they are parceled by county you will be charged fees for all lots owned. Previous boards have addressed this issue.
7. Nancy Exe states that she thinks a board has said you will be charged by lot owner and not lots owned. Previous newsletters will be reviewed on this issue.
8. Nancy Exe spoke regarding gate closure on Microwave and Horsehaven. Colin stated the road south of tank meadows may be used as Sky Riders have been working with DNR and Fish and Wildlife to get this route permitted and ready for use. Randlett gate will be opened to grooming. Nancy Exe asked to go on record that she does not want to have the gates closed.
9. Bob Swenson states that Kitcom will be allowed access to private property if necessary for emergency.

Please respect property owner's rights and stay away from closed areas. Stay on groomed trails if riding through private property.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Colin stated that Harold will be gone for a few days over the Christmas Holiday and volunteers will be doing the water, plowing and grooming.

Motion 12-003 to adjourn meeting at 10:50 a.m. was made by Kris Johnson and second by Joyce Munson. Passed unanimously, no nays.

As we start this winter season we would like to remind you that the speed limits on our roads apply year around. Please show consideration for others by obeying them. Remember that we have children on machines and we need to watch for them as they may not watch for you. Safe and sane applies all year long and we would like everyone to have a safe winter season.

Please respect our groomed roads and keep wheeled vehicles in the parking lots. If you get stuck the towing is your responsibility not the caretakers.

Snowmobiles from lower parking lot please use the meadow side to travel up the hill and keep the road free for vehicles.

Please keep snowmobiles off of the bermed area in the lower meadow, this is a safety barrier for our children who are on sleds, not a jump for snowmobiles.