



SKY MEADOWS RANCH

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

JUNE 19, 2010 UNAPPROVED MEETING MINUTES

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Online**

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TO REPORT A FIRE – 911

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REMINDERS:

If notification of a members wish to speak at the board meeting is not received by the president by Friday at 5 pm one week prior to the meeting, you will not be on the agenda and will not be asked to speak.

Anyone wanting minutes e-mailed, please contact the secretary.

All meetings are taped and kept for history purposes.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Colin Ferrin, Jay Schmid, Linda Wood, Kris Johnson, Julie Ring

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Joyce Munson, Licia Miller

The meeting was called to order by president, Colin Ferrin at 8:56 a.m.

MOTION 10-011 was made by Colin Ferrin, 2nd by Julie Ring to approve Bruce Polenske to board on an open position. it passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS:

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Joyce Munson

1. Thanks to everyone who has responded to the request for a current emergency contact phone number. It is so important in case of a break-in, fire, or other emergency to have these on file. Please be assured the list will not be given out to anyone. If you do not have e-mail service, the number can be mailed or phoned to Joyce at the Sky Meadows address or phone number for her listed above. Your emergency number can also be given to any board member.

MOTION 10-012 Motion made by Colin Ferrin, 2nd Linda Wood to approve May minutes as written. Passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Linda Wood

1. Road funds are depleted for the spring until we get more of the late-pay funds in. We have spent \$11,955.60 on grading, gravel, and rolling the roads. More work may be done as funds become available.
2. Additional speed limit signs have been purchased to advise members of speed on our roads.
3. The water bills have gone out. If your bill is under \$5.00, a bill will be sent out with the fall dues to save on postage.
4. Four properties have been turned over to the attorney for foreclosure proceedings.
5. June bills totaled \$22,353.33 with roads totaling \$12,672.36 of that amount.
6. Discussion regarding where funds should come from to reimburse Dale DeGour for remaining reader board expenses. The decision was made by board that this would come from grant money.
7. Accounts receivable is \$16,377.77 as of today. This figure includes the current water bills that just went out.
8. All water lockout notices were responded to with payments.

Motion 10-013 was made by Linda Wood/ 2nd Jay Schmid to approve check 9304 and checks 9309 through 9327 for payment of June bills. Motion passed unanimously.

CARETAKER REPORT – Shawn Whalen (given by Colin)

1. Taneum and big tanks are at full capacity at this time. Pumps in lower meadow have been running full time. With tanks full, we will be able to shut down on some days to recharge system.
2. A large leak was found at member's property on Horse Heaven.

COMMITTEE REPORTS -

ROADS: Colin Ferrin –

1. Roads look good and we are receiving good comments from the membership...
2. Discussion regarding notification of abuse of roads by members, children of members, guests of members. An effort will be made to contact the member with a first warning of abuse. Second notification will be in the form of a \$250.00 fine, which will be used for a load of gravel to fix area affected. Abuse is considered speeding, doing donuts, or fishtailing by quads or motorcycles in the gravel.
3. Jay stated that members need to be aware that they are responsible for maintaining driveway culverts, which includes cleaning and replacing if crushed.

ARCHITECTURE: Licia Miller (given by Colin)

1. Approval of a cabin for Division 4, Lot 31.
2. One property owner removed trees without approval and another removed more trees than authorized. Discussion regarding the \$250.00 fine per tree for removal without authorization. Need for a form revision to make it very clear to members of the fine for unauthorized tree removal. **MEMBERS – BE AWARE THAT POLICY STATES YOU WILL BE FINED \$250.00 PER TREE FOR ANY UNAUTHORIZED TREE REMOVAL.**
3. Bruce Polenske asked about a tree cut from area at Sawmill gate. Was this a Sky Meadows tree? If so, should it not be used by Sky Meadows for firewood? Colin will look into this.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS: Kris Johnson

1. Spraying of noxious weeds has been completed in the meadows.
2. Jay Schmid asked about floor finishing for the lodge; he has someone who may do it for \$2.00 square foot. He and Kris will discuss this.
3. Jay Schmid also has someone who can give a quote for Milguard windows for the bunkhouse. This is a project Kris has been saving bunkhouse funds for.

FIRE & SAFETY: Jay Schmid

1. Jay will check with Fire departments for fire levels to put on fire level boards and reader board. **Members you can find these levels at SkyMeadows.org with links to fire levels.**
2. The no fireworks signs are going up. **THERE ARE NO FIREWORKS ALLOWED WITHIN SKY MEADOWS.**
3. Discussion had regarding the brush pile for firewise. Firewise brush pile will be opened. **THE PILE IS FOR FIREWISE VEGETATION DEBRIS ONLY. NO STUMPS, NO LOT CLEARING DEBRIS, NO BRANCHES FROM LOT TREE CUTTING.**

ACTIVITIES: Julie Ring –

1. Betty Nance called about community yard sale which was done in the past years. A community yard sale will be held on September 16, 2010 from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. in the upper parking lot. It would be great to see all members participate.
2. Memorial Day BBQ went well. A BIG THANK YOU TO Richard and Francis Nickell for their help with the cooking and scavenger hunt.
3. Julie asks for discussion regarding keeping record of reimbursement to her from the activities fund as this is not part of Sky Meadows funding and is funded by fundraisers only. It was decided that a file would be kept in the office and Julie will notify Linda via or e-mail when she does a reimbursement and this will be put in the file.

OLD BUSINESS: Colin Ferrin

1. **Colin** has been approached by members asking to amend the fine for unauthorized tree removal – members would like to see it higher. Discussion regarding how to deal with this and raising the fine which is now set at \$250.00 per tree. A decision was reached that at this time we will keep the fine at \$250.00 per tree and member will be notified at time of authorization that any trees removed beyond those approved by architectural will have a fine levied. **MEMBERS ARE AWARE THAT ANY LIVE TREE OVER 6 INCHES IN DIAMETER MUST BE APPROVED FOR REMOVAL BY ARCHITECTURAL. THE POLICY AND FORM IS ON SKY MEADOWS WEBSITE AT SkyMeadows.org.**
2. Discussion regarding how to get fine information to members for roads, water, architectural, etc. Maybe with twice yearly billings, on website, or newsletter portion of minutes.

NEW BUSINESS: Colin Ferrin

1. Discussion regarding contract for future roadwork that was proposed by Eastside Construction. This will allow us to lock in rates that have been used for initial work done this year and have a contractor available if we have a road emergency. Pricing is well below other contractors Colin has spoken with and the work has been very acceptable

MOTION 10-014 WAS MADE BY COLIN/2ND BY LINDA WOOD TO ACCEPT CONTRACT FOR ROADWORK FROM EASTSIDE CONSTRUCTION

2. Further discussion of this contract. Bruce Polenske has concerns regarding who determines the work to be done.
3. Shawn and board will determine what we need and call contractor for the work to proceed. What is the term of the contract and do we allow work to proceed without funding? It was confirmed that no work will be done unless we have the funding to pay for it and we will add an addendum that either party may terminate with 30 days written notification

ADDENDUM TO MOTION 10-014: Colin Ferrin/2nd Linda Wood to accept Eastside Construction's road contract with the addendum regarding termination. Passed unanimously.

1. Colin asked Bruce Polenske to take on the task of getting bids and having work done to set the water storage tank on Sawmill road. We have a current bid from Eastside Construction as they have a large boom truck for lifting. This site will also require site preparation work. Bruce will contact additional contractors and get bids. Pierson Smith had previously spoken with Norm Cook and he will be contacted.
2. Discussion regarding foam for insulation on this tank and funding for the entire project – setting and insulation. This is a water capital improvement and will be funded from that account.
3. Julie Ring speaks to communication within the board. Discussion was had regarding this issue. The board will be more aware. Discussion was a positive.
4. Julie Ring asked about board positions that will be vacant in the fall. It was determined that we have two current board members leaving and we still have 1 vacant position open. **Members – now is your chance to join your board. Contact a board member for details.**
5. Bruce Polanski asks for discussion regarding property lines of Sky Meadows north boundary and east boundary by Casassa Road. This has been discussed by previous boards and needs to be accomplished. Cost for survey is very high. Kris will speak to a member who does this work to determine cost for Sky Meadows to pursue this. We are aware that this needs to be done.
6. Remember - the Sky Meadows logo sweatshirts and jackets are available for ordering. The info is on the board in the lodge and members may contact Shawn or Kris to order. They look great!!

Motion 10 – 014 was made by Colin and 2nd Jay to adjourn meeting at 10:30 AM. Passed unanimously