



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2009 AT 7:00 PM
AT THE SILVERADO COMMUNITY CENTER
27641 SILVERADO CANYON ROAD, SILVERADO 92676**

DIRECTORS

Robert Hunt - President
Brett Peterson – Vice-President
Marty Weel – Treasurer
Tricia Evans – Secretary
Mark Levy – Director

STAFF

Aimee Bryer – SCC Director
Elizabeth Martyn – General Counsel
Bev Mileham – Admin. Assistant
Phil McWilliams – Grants Admin.
Steve Reighart – Caretaker
Meghan Warner – Bookkeeper

MINUTES

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The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Director Hunt who acted as chairperson.

ROLL CALL

Directors Hunt, Peterson, Evans, Levy, and Weel, Caretaker Reighart, and Admin. Assistant Mileham were present.

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE

Ed Amador, Chay Peterson

PUBLIC AND BOARD INPUT ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS

Silverado resident Ed Amador reported on the latest Holtz Ranch litigation information. The Army Corps of Engineers have put a temporary stop to the project because of water permit and endangered species issues. The Board was given a copy of a letter from the Army Corps of Engineers to the Holtz property owner notifying them of new requirements due to the USFWS having verified the presence of an endangered species (arroyo toad) impacting the project site.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1ST ACTION: Director Levy made a motion to receive and file the Minutes of Regular Board meeting of February 24, 2009, the Open Space and Trails Minutes of March 16, 2009, and the Correspondence. Director Evans seconded. Unanimously approved.

PAYMENT OF DISTRICT BILLS

2nd ACTION Director Peterson made a motion to approve Transmittal 03-09A for Directors compensation for the Regular Board meeting of February 24, 2009, payable to Directors Levy, Peterson, Weel, Hunt, and Evans, \$50.00 each. \$250.00 total. Director Weel seconded. Unanimously approved.

3rd ACTION: Director Levy made a motion to approve payment of Transmittal 03-09B District Bills, \$ 1,251.88 total. Director Peterson seconded. Unanimously approved. (*Note that the legal fee is not related to the lawsuit.*)

4th ACTION: Director Evans made a motion to approve payment of Transmittal 03-09C, Utility Bills and Reimbursements, \$1,238.11 total. Director Peterson seconded. Unanimously approved.

CARETAKER'S REPORT

The drinking fountain at Modjeska park is fixed, toilets are fixed, and the lawn is looking good. Sprinklers are being repaired and there are some gopher problems being successfully slowed by burying dog droppings in the burrows.

CHILDREN'S CENTER DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Bryer was unable to attend for personal reasons. The Chili Cook-Off fundraiser made around \$3,500. Silverado Elementary School is scheduled to close at the end of this year school year. The closure will surely effect the Silverado Children's Center, the Board discussed ways to keep the center going. One bit of good news is that the Center has been designated as an official bus stop, which will be convenient for easy drop offs. Forming an after school program was discussed, also developing a kindergarten as a co-op with help from parents. Raising the tuition was once again discussed, as was using the donated van to pick the children up and drop them off. The Children's Center received an emergency fund to be used for the children's playground. Chay Peterson asked if they should go ahead with the project, the Board agreed that the project should continue.

OTHER DISTRICT BUSINESS

5th ACTION: Director Peterson made a motion to lower the rental amount for a 12-step group meeting on Monday nights at Silverado to \$15 a month. Director Weel seconded. Unanimously approved.

Judgment for the defendant on the Holtz arroyo toad litigation was reported. Numerous errors in the preliminary judgment document were noted. The court stated that the Haase sighting was a non-protocol survey that was negated by two subsequent negative surveys done to protocol. The Board noted that a positive sighting ends the survey at that point, requiring only proper documentation and notification to USF&WS, which was done, and therefore the Haase 2005 sighting met USF&WS protocol as evidenced by their own statements and actions. In addition, negative surveys do not reverse verified positive sightings and neither of the negative surveys was to protocol, a fact noted in a USF&WS letter to the property owner.

Directors Individual Comments

- Director Evans- the new brochure is out and full of great things for the community - hikes, dance classes, concerts etc. The concerts may be changed to Saturday night instead of Thursday. There is concern that this may not be a good choice because of the lack of lighting in parking areas plus crowd and traffic control. Director Peterson will call Bob Miller from CAPRI for advice on insurance coverage.
- Director Levy spoke about community gardens, Mike and Colleen Colgan have offered to help. Looking for a place to have the gardens Calvary Chapel and Steve Peterson have shown interest. May form a special Task Force for planning and will meet separately from Open Space meetings. Will report findings later.
- Director Peterson and Director Weel met with CAPRI Risk Manager Bob Miller for the annual walk-through, he gave them a lot of helpful ideas. Director Peterson is checking into Skate board ramp prices.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM. The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors will be at the Silverado Community Center, 27641 Silverado Canyon road at 7:00PM on Tuesday April 28, 2009.