

**Minutes of Caspar Community Board of Directors Meeting
June 5, 2009**

I. Call to Order/Present: (Call to Order at 9:15 a.m.)

Board Members: David Alden, Paul Schulman, Paul Reiber, Susan Juhl, Bette Goldfarb, Judy Tarbell

Absent: Rhoda Teplow, Susan Keller, Annie Lee

Staff: Dalen Anderson.

Guests:

Quorum Declared: Yes X No

II. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes for the Board meeting on May 22, 2009 were reviewed and tabled for action at the next meeting, as they were incomplete. A reference to David S having said something should be changed to Paul S. The purpose of the requested landscaping is not to "hide the playground" but simply to break up its profile.

III. Reports

A. Correspondence

none.

B. Treasurer

Report was made about reconciling accounts to reflect actual amounts which have been earmarked for special projects and to make sure that those earmarked funds are kept in the Schwab account. Final numbers are close, but will be reported back at next meeting.

C. Manager's Report

The Fathers Day event is all planned.

IV. Business

A. DOT Project

The County DOT still has approximately \$19,000 left of funds that have been designated for use to put a sidewalk in front of the CCC, extending from the Caspar Inn to the Shul. Judy T, Paul S and Ray Duff met with DOT to discuss. Kendall Smith was also there. Howard Dashiell from DOT wants to put in a full-fledged, traditional curb and sidewalk at a cost of \$500,000. The Board asked Judy T to draft a letter asking that this not be done, and that the \$19,000 be used instead for drainage work in front of the CCC.

Judy raised the issue of under grounding power lines along Caspar Rd. She had located and shared the minutes of a Board of Supervisors meeting at which under grounding in Caspar was prioritized to happen after work was completed in

Gualala.

Kendall Smith expressed interest in connecting east and west Caspar with a trail.

DOT said it would support fixing the north entrance to Caspar Rd with a turn lane in lieu of the current "fast" exit from Highway 1. This would have to be done by CalTrans, and we would probably need to meet with CalTrans in Eureka.

Ray Duff will also talk to DOT about the speed bumps on Road 500. The Board had already asked Bette G to draft a letter asking for their removal, which has been done and sent.

B. Kitchen Update

Dan Dickson is waiting for the last of the specifications from Dalen as to dimensions of kitchen equipment. Once these are finalized, he will be ready to submit the plans to the building department.

Some discussion was had about availability of grants to supplement or supplant loan funds. David A agreed to try to meet with USDA to discuss.

C. Playground

We have a map now of the location of the playground and the layout of the equipment. Paul is ready to submit to planning. Some from the garden group have expressed concerns, but appear not to be raising any real opposition. It is believed that as finally constructed, it will not interfere with garden access.

Discussion was held on the location of the as-built playground not interfering unreasonably with other activities at the CCC. It was decided to submit the plans with a general description of the playground location, and then to make final decisions about precise location during construction.

Other grant money is being applied for by the playground committee.

D. Community Meeting

It was noted that it had been a while since we had had a community meeting. One has now been scheduled for July 19, 2009 at 4:00 p.m.

E. Septic System

The Septic Health, Investigation and Treatment committee - consisting to date solely of Paul Schulman (it is looking for others to jump on-board)--was, as always, "shovel ready" and performed another round of maintenance to the system. The tanks were cleaned and pumped and the leach line was investigated with a camera - all at a cost of \$995.00. All looks fine, although it was reported that the leach line was fully saturated with water. It is thought that the system continues to be adequate and performs well under average load conditions, but that it just gets overwhelmed with the occasional major event. The committee committed, in front of witnesses, to continue to maintain the system in lieu of any major replacement or repair work at this time. The committee chair and sole member stated, essentially, that .. "I AM taking this #\$\$%^ anymore!"

F. CasparFest

Everything is lining up nicely for CasparFest. The Bayou Swami's will appear this year. We are looking for a "younger" mix of music. Unfortunately, the average age of the the search committee looking for this mix cannot, by any stretch of the imagination be considered "young", so it will be interesting to see what they come up with.

A subcommittee has engaged to invite sponsors to contribute to underwriting the costs of the event. The board and the CasparFest committee will consider hiring someone to do sponsorship sales.

Rochelle has researched the availability of Caspar logo products. Aprons will be offered this year. She and has asked for a budget. The board approved a budget of \$2500.00.

The next CasparFest meeting will be at 4:00 p.m. On June 29 at the CCC.

G. Election of Board Officers

The following officers were elected:

Susan Juhl - President

Annie Lee - Vice President (subject to her accepting the position.)

David Alden - Treasurer

Rhoda Teplow - Secretary

It was decided to leave the board meeting schedule as it presently is, but offer to move it in the future if it appears that doing so would accommodate and attract new board members.

H. Annual Performance Reviews

It was noted that annual performance reviews needed to be conducted of all employees. Susan Juhl, as the incoming President will undertake to organize them.

The meeting adjourned at about 11:20.