# 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, Annie Lee, Paul Reiber, Susan Juhl,

Bette Goldfarb, Susan Keller

**Absent**: Rhoda Teplow, Judy Tarbell; Paul Schulman

Staff: Dalen Anderson.

**Guests**: Jerry York; Laura Maione; Liz Haapanen

Quorum Declared: Yes X No\_\_\_\_

### **II. Approval of Minutes:**

Minutes for the Board meeting on May 22, 2009 and June 5, 2009 were reviewed and approved as amended.

# III. Reports

Annie Lee informed the Board that she would accept the position of Vice President, to which she had been previously elected contingent upon her acceptance.

# A. Correspondence

A Notice of Preparation for a Negative Declaration was received in connection with activities in Caspar South. Insurance renewal material received and an email in re the coastal trail planning process.

#### **B.** Treasurer

The Schwab account has been "trued up" so that the full amount of all funds which have been earmarked for specific projects are now maintained in that account.

### C. Manager's Report

The Fathers Day event is all planned. Gwen Moreland is having a CD release party on June 26. Dept. of Health is using the CCC for a meeting.

CasparFest planning is moving along. Frey Bros., Bayou Swami's all are playing. Next meeting is June 29 at 4:00 p.m. At the CCC. Annie Lee and Susan L. and any other pre-approved agents will get a 15% of sales commission for sponsorships sold.

### IV. Business

#### A. Garden Presentation

Members of the Garden Committee (Guests, above) made a presentation concerning the Garden Committee's long term plan for the Community Garden.

They expressed concern about the practicality of the proposed location for the new playground and a wish that the long term plans for the property take into account future expansion of the Garden. In particular, they would like to tie the Garden to the Greenhouse, and include an orchard, an ornamental flower cultivation area, a hedgerow for wind protection and a ornamental garden area suitable for weddings. It was suggested that a better and open interface could be made between and among the kitchen, playground and garden, and that the garden could expand to commercial production of organically certified salsas, sauces and the like. A room could be planned as part of the kitchen redo for fermentation and other long term food preparation activities. Down the road, we could also incorporated chickens into the plan for insect control and 4H purposes. Finally, it would be good to incorporate solar technology into either garden, greenhouse activities or the kitchen as part of food processing. Liz indicated she would like to find a way to generate some income from her activities in the garden.

Specific concerns about the playground were protecting the greenhouse and its contents from damage from children (some experienced already) and in having it interrupt the flow of current and potential future activities in and around the Garden. The Garden committee would like to see the playground remain where it is, or potentially located along the eastern fence line

Discussion was had about the status of the planning process for both the kitchen and the playground, including status of permit application. Some discussion was also had of reconfiguring the current garden to make space potentially available along the east fence line. This would require relocating plumbing for the Garden irrigation system. It was resolved to send a letter thanking the Garden Committee and stressing our agreement with the need for long term planning of both the physical property issues as well as long term management and finance plan for the Garden.

### **B.** Kitchen Update

A Grizzly Range has been identified as being the best/most cost effective range for the kitchen. We are still awaiting specifications and cost estimates. The range hood and vent system is also being researched. A question was raised whether Judy T. had a range hood for the kitchen which was being stored at her place. Paul R. agreed to follow up.

# C. Playground

We have a map now of the location of the playground and the layout of the equipment and the plans have been submitted to Planning.

Discussion was held on the location of the as-built playground not interfering unreasonably with other activities at the CCC. It was noted that we had decided to submit the plans with a general description of the playground location, and then to make final decisions about precise location during construction. We will investigate the possibility of moving it to the East side fence line next to the pump house and using part of existing Garden, with the idea that the lost Garden area could be reclaimed with new planting areas along the northern border.

# **D. Highway Litter**

Betty G. raised the problem experienced along Highway 1 with litter coming off of Waste Management trucks. She has contacted them as well as the County and they have said there is nothing that can be done unless a CHP officer witnesses the event itself, in which case a ticket can be issues. Calls to WMI at 964-9172 might help.

The meeting adjourned at about 10:45.