

Minutes of Caspar Community Board of Directors Meeting

January 15, 2010

I. Call to Order/Present: (Call to Order at 5:35 p.m.)

Board Members: David Alden, Susan Juhl, Susan Keller, Paul Reiber, Paul Schulman, Annie Lee, Jesse Lee Van Sant and Judy Tarbell.

Absent: Bette Goldfarb, Rhoda Teplow

Staff: Dalen Anderson

Guests: Star Decker

Quorum Declared: Yes X No _____

II. Approval of Minutes:

The minutes for the last meetings were approved.

III. Reports

A. Correspondence

Dalen read a letter from Rotary of Mendocino announcing a grant of \$1,000 for playground wood chips and asking the Board to encourage support of their Art Auction, which provides funds for such grants.

Dalen displayed a brochure for a seminar on “Investing in our water Future”

B. Treasurer

The \$20,000 donation from the Cantus Foundation has been placed in the Caspar Cooks fund, which completes our goal. The Community Center is currently funded approximately half from fundraisers and half from rentals. The monthly pledges (\$290) are now directed to the Caspar Community. The Finance Committee (Dalen, Annie, Rhoda and Judy) looked at the Community Center’s monthly shortfall (approximately \$400) and decided to try to develop new pledges, which would go to the Community Center.

C. Manager's Report

Wedding bookings are picking up. A yoga class has been added on Thursday mornings starting in February and the Board of Realtors will be holding their monthly luncheon at the CCC.

The Feast of St. Valentine will be Sunday, February 14.

IV. Business

A. Kitchen

After a steady stream of phone calls, Paul Reiber received a call from Dan. Environmental Health has approved the plans as well as the Fire Department (with the condition that we install a 5,000-gallon water storage tank); the Commercial Kitchen review is in process, after which the plans go to Building and Planning for a final review.

Judy noted that the USDA will be intimately involved in the construction. Judy can set up the money transfers, but USDA will want information about staged progress. Ideally one person would be the liaison between the CC, Dan, and the USDA. At Judy's suggestion that this might be a paid position, Paul R. expressed interest in taking on the project. Judy will talk with Mike D. to get an idea of how much time and money might be involved.

B. Playground

The equipment is installed. A crib must be built to hold the chips. Al Harris, who has overseen construction so far, agreed to coordinate this (Nathan Anderson is supplying the wood.) but may not be available until February.

D. Road Crossing

Paul has exchanged contact information with Cal-Trans but has not heard anything. Work will probably take place in the summer.

F. Sidewalks

Patty Madigan emailed Dalen asking if there was a drainage plan and addressing related concerns. Paul S. commented that there will be plenty of time for input on placement.

G. Board Retreat and Community Meeting

It was decided to hold a Community Meeting on Sunday, March 14, at 3 instead of the Board Retreat, which was rescheduled for April 18, with David Alden facilitating with the goal of clarifying the general direction and developing a concrete plan for the coming year.

February Breakfast will feature Guest Chefs Debra Dawson and Georgia Lane.

The newsletter mailing will be at the Community Center on Friday morning, January 22 at 9.

The next Board meeting will be January 29, 9 am in the South Room, CCC. Subsequent meeting will be February 12, CCC, at 5:30.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Annie Lee