

Caspar Community Center
Friday, April 11, 2014

1. Call to Order 9:05

Present: David Alden, Bob Frey, Susan Juhl, Annie Lee, Paul Reiber, Paul Schulman

Staff: Dalen Anderson

Guest: Gowan , Marty Johnson, Ed Murrell, Glenn Rude, Caroline Schooley, Judy Tarbell

2. Minutes of March 14, 2014 were accepted as corrected.

3. Additions or Changes to the Agenda – Gorse was added

4. Gorse

- Caroline distributed an illustrated report on Caspar Fire Safe Council's efforts to eradicate gorse. The Fort Bragg (?) Fire Chief identified 16 of the most critical parcels. Before resigning, Tara Athens, administrator of Phase One of the Gorse Control Project, wrote to property owners with recommendations. Some landowners (Colombi, Mitchell and Steele) have done maintenance and received some subsidies from the grant. One refused to cooperate (Lagomarsino) and two (Managhan and Wong) have not responded. Caroline asked the Board to send letters; she will write them and Dalen will email the Board for approval.
- Ray Duff had requested that the Board take on the function of the Fire Safe Council as part of Emergency Services. David noted that the Board should have FSC chairperson.
- David asked if there were any grants in process. There is no current manager and the Mendocino FSC works half time and is not interested in pursuing grants.
- Gown discussed Holistic Management and reported successful control using goats and sheep with sheet mulch to prevent resprouting. She has interns who would be able to provide a mobile goat unit and would like to work under the umbrella of the CC. There is \$10,970.43 remaining in the grant, some of which could be used as seed money. It was suggested that the interns develop a proposal.

5. Correspondence - None

6. Reports

A. Executive Director

The center is quite busy: Pub Night, canning workshop, free-form dance and matzo bake this weekend, Tia Maria concert and 4:20 event this month, Mother's Day Tea in May, Farmers Guild meeting once a month, and The Soup Guy is back. Rentals are up 50% in this first quarter.

B. Finance/Treasurer

- Dalen will research Schwab and Vanguard plans for non-profits.
- The Board approved the 2014 budget which was amended to increase Buildings and Grounds to include the money raised at the Harvest Dinner specifically for floor refinishing. Windows were expensed to Capital Outlay—the decrease in cash balanced by the increased value of the building.

C. Pub Night /Breakfast

Bob Frey is guest chef this month.

C. Garden – No report (No news is good news?)

D. Facilities

- Floors: Jim Ransome did an excellent job and follow-up. Will assess scrapes and either buff or apply one more coat.
- Dalen asked approval of purchase of hot water maker and is continuing to research carts and defibrillators.
- Water: Eric Freeman and Bob met with Eli of Mendocino Coast Water Works who

recommended replacing the pump and placing a float valve in the fire tank. He estimated a potential 10 gallons per minute. Dalen suggesting setting up the tank as an emergency drinking water supply we could refill with our solar pump. An ozone system would cost about \$2300. It might be best to add a tank.

- Bob reported the death of the projector and is researching one that could fill the screen and be permanently mounted. He recommended a standardized panel and a third speaker behind the screen
- We also need a new DVD-Blu Ray.
- Solar: Committee is planning a solar array with back-up batteries and propane generator. Paul S. has asked Bruce for more information. The committee will meet on Tuesday with Bill Kinser of the Planning Department. Location may determine if we need a CDP.

E. Fundraising/Events

Dalen suggested we wait until after May.

G. Community Planning and Outreach

- Bob talked with Michael about sending a letter to interested investors re: forming an investor group, hiring a realtor, etc. David noted that what you plan to do with the property drives investment. Judy—there needs to be one person to lead the effort. Bill Imhoff was suggested.
- We will have quarterly follow-up meetings on Community Planning: July 13, October 12 and January 11.

7. Election of Board members

David announced his intention to rotate off the Board but assist in the revision of the By-Laws. Those present were asked to state their interest in being on the Board. Paul R. offered to remain as President and rotate off next year. Annie will remain as Secretary, Bob will serve as Vice-President. Rochelle will be asked if she would serve as Treasurer. Glenn, Gowan, Marty and Ed expressed willingness to become members. Heidi will be contacted. Paul S. will write a letter to Susan Keller.

Adjourned 11:10

Respectfully submitted,
Annie Lee

Calendar

Tuesday, April 15	Solar Committee followed by Facilities Committee, 1 pm
Saturday, April 26	Caspar does bar at burlesque show
Sunday, April 27	Breakfast
Friday, May 9	Board Meeting
	Pub Night
Saturday, May 10	Prep for Tea
Sunday, May 11	Mother's Day Tea 1:00-4:00
Sunday, July 13	Community Meeting
Sunday, October 12	Community Meeting
Sunday, January 11	Community Meeting