

Caspar Community Board Meeting  
Virtual Meeting  
Caspar Community Center  
September 3, 2021

Board Members:

*Present:* Dalen Anderson, Ariana Bayer, Rochelle Elkan, Robert Frey, Annie Lee, Paul Reiber, Paul Schulman

*Absent:* Glenn Rude

*Quorum present?* Yes

*Others Present:* Sienna M Potts, Lea Stedman, Judy Tarbell

Proceedings

1. Meeting was called to order at 9 am by President Paul Reiber.
2. Minutes: 7/16 and 8/6 minutes were approved.
3. Changes to the Agenda: none.
4. Community comments and input: none.
5. Correspondence:  
We received an unrestricted donation of \$25,000 from Tarbell Family Foundation. Tarbell Family Foundation also donated \$24,500 for “educational services and product needs to assist in the control and removal of gorse in Caspar.” A thank you card will be sent to Judy Tarbell.
6. Committee and Staff Reports
  - A. Office Manager, Event Manager  
Sienna had nothing of interest to report.  
Lea reported that activities are slowing down again. She scheduled a wedding rental for the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday in May 2022, so Breakfast that month will be on the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, which is Memorial Day weekend. A Flea Market or other fundraising event will be added.  
The Center will be a polling location for the special election on September 14. Dalen and Annie will be sharing inspector duties.
  - B. Finance/Treasurer  
Sienna is meeting with bookkeeper Ruth Dobberpuhl quarterly due to low activity. Although current reports will not be available, she recommended a Finance Meeting to discuss ways to cut costs while rentals are low and fundraising events are problematic due to County Covid mandates.  
Next Finance Committee meeting will be scheduled by email.
  - C. Caspar Community Garden  
Rochelle reported that the locks were changed on the garden gate and greenhouse after one of the gardeners was asked to leave. Another gardener is leaving in February 2022. The gardeners plan to let some beds go fallow while they restructure garden policies.  
Next Garden Committee meeting will be in November.
  - D. Facilities  
Moved by Paul Reiber: to terminate fire alarm monitoring service;  
seconded by Rochelle; motion passed unanimously.

Moved by Dalen: to terminate AT&T landline and replace with VOIP; seconded by Paul Schulman; motion passed unanimously.

Lea reported that North Coast Plumbing replaced the connections to both firehose boxes. The doors to the firehose boxes need to be replaced. No other leak was found. Lea will check to make sure there is no leak while all active connections are open.

Lea reported that Isaac Youngblood set up a guest wifi connection so that renters and community members can use guest wifi with a password that will be changed monthly. He discovered that the old router was not functional and will return to add another piece of equipment to extend the wifi range.

Dalen asked, on behalf of Stephanie Bishop, Agent in Charge at the Fort Bragg Post Office, if packages that do not fit in boxes could be left somewhere on the property. Suggestions: that the Postal Service deliver our mail to our homes, or to add more package boxes.

No Facilities Committee meeting scheduled.

#### E. Fundraising/Marketing

Rochelle suggested a fundraiser to cover costs of EV Charging station. Ariana will make a sign with a QR code that can be scanned to make a donation while charging.

Paul Schulman reported that Joe Craven, other performers, and sound staff are willing to participate in the postponed Center Birthday Celebration in Summer 2022.

Virtual Auction will run for two weeks in November, to be scheduled at next meeting. Rochelle will share last year's donor list with Lea. Holiday themed to-go food events will also be considered.

Next Fundraising Committee virtual meeting is September 15, 10 am.

#### F. Community Planning/Development

Ariana's idea of decorating the big tires and making a wishing tree on the old tetherball pole as community art projects was given an enthusiastic green light. It was also suggested that the water tanks be painted with larger murals. Ariana will meet with Janet Self of Flockworks and report on possibilities at the next Board meeting.

No Community Meeting scheduled.

#### G. Human Resources

Mike Fadeff is having health issues and is currently unable to work.

Decision: to wait and see what happens with him and with the pace of rentals before looking to hire a new janitor.

No Human Resources Committee meeting scheduled.

#### H. Preparedness

Caspar HAM operators will be participating in the Great American Shakeout on October 21. Lisa Weg wrote that "Caspar is net control for the Mendocino tsunami warning system, meaning that one of our local operators will be coordinating the test from the Center's radio. The drill gives us a chance to practice, and test reception with other stations along the coast." Lea will charge handheld and satellite radios overnight.

Judy Tarbell reported that Caspar Prepared is working with the Fire Safe Council on address sign uniformity. An email will go out to our list when proposal is ready.

Next Preparedness Meeting is September 27, 7 pm.

Board meeting adjourned at 10:30 am.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Sienna M Potts.

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