
Odd Fellows Sierra Recreation Association

President's Message

It's warming up where I usually live, but here in the Park Spring is still far away. Snow storms are possible for a while yet, and hard freezes are still the norm. Please be careful on our roads, which often have patches of black ice, and keep your place winterized until nighttime lows are reliably above freezing.

This can be a quiet time of year up here, as we clean up from winter and wait for warmer days. Not too early to get the Annual Meeting on your calendar - traditionally held on the day before Memorial Day. This year that's Sunday, May 30th. We're exploring options for meeting in person (lodge or open-air?), via Zoom, or a hybrid, depending on Covid tier and technological capabilities. We'll keep you posted on the plans as they develop.

Michael Lechner, President

Report from Zoom Board Meeting, 1-13-21

President Michael Lechner opened the meeting at 9:30. Directors also present were Secretary Wanda Lenhardt, Treasurer Mitch Gabriel, directors at large Mark Logan, Jesse Worsham, and Lori Crivelli, and VP Susie Lechner. Heidi Ordwein attended by phone. There were at least 35 property owners in attendance.

Directors' reports:

- President: The owner of two rental properties in the Park was notified that the tenants were using the trash area without authorization, since owner had not paid for Ancillary Services. Payment has now been received. Also, oral arguments will be heard in the Appellate Court regarding the long-running lawsuit on March 10th. All are welcome to listen in. Michael will forward the audio link and the schedule to those expressing interest.
- Secretary:
 - Several people have wanted contact information for their Park neighbors. We don't share this private information unless both parties agree first.
 - The list of owners' contact information list has grown to about 300 names. Most of the names outstanding own undeveloped properties. This will make it much easier for OFSRA to reach owners in case of an emergency, property damage, etc. It's important to note that a fair number of owners have only phone connections, not email.
 - Wanda is compiling lists of those who signed up for committees dealing with areas of concern in the Park.
 - Next focus for the secretary is preparing outstanding stock certificates.
- Treasurer: Mitch is doing preliminary work to develop next year's budget.

- Roads: Both plows are now working, and there will be a full report next meeting. Many homeowners have expressed concerns about snow berms blocking their driveways; with such a heavy snowfall, there are not enough unobtrusive places to put snow.

Property owners offered comments:

- Serge Peluso will be hauling some large items to the dump in a large rented truck. If others want to add items, they can reach him at sepjr.1@sbcglobal.net. Thanks, Serge!
- Internet updates: a new satellite service is reportedly available. Jesse gave an update of CalNet progress. During the storm's aftermath, he has been opening the lodge, which has good internet service and also generator-powered heat, as both a warming center and a homework spot for kids learning from home - great idea.
- Residents suggest adding a large map at the gatehouse to help visitors, vendors and emergency vehicles.
- The confusing road sign on David is also incorrect on the east side of Wheeler, and needs to be corrected.
- There was a request for a monthly financial report. Lori noted that with the accounting format in transition, it might take some effort to put it in a form that can be interpreted.
- Several owners suggested Board members should have term limits, and should not share the same addresses as one another. Wanda explained the background, i.e., for a long time nobody wanted to serve on the Board so there could be no rotation.

Other business:

- Susie announced that she will not be running for re-election in May, which will free up her position as recorder of minutes and newsletter editor.
- Lori has spent many, many hours reviewing OFSRA's insurance policies. She will suggest changes to the Board.
- Mitch suggested opening a dialog with the Water Company, to occur several times each year. There are many areas of overlap which need resolution.

Executive session was postponed until a later date. The meeting was adjourned at noon.

Next meeting date - an open Board meeting will be held via Zoom on March 13th at 9:30-11:00.

Note: These minutes reflect our recollection of the proceedings. If additions or revisions are needed, they may be noted by calling the hotline number, 209-533-7909, emailed via the link on our website, or brought to the Board's attention at the following meeting.