



Yosemite West Property & Homeowners, Inc.

YWPHI Members Meeting Minutes **Saturday September 2, 2012, 11a.m**

The YWPHI Annual Meeting was called to order at approx. 11:00 am by Kelly Rich, President, and Deborah Reichle agreed to take minutes (our Secretary Scott Renfro was absent). The meeting agenda, last year's Members Meeting Minutes, and the **Summary of Current Issues affecting Yosemite West** sent by Peter Rei, were made available for members.

The meeting had 34 attendees.

I. Minutes

The Minutes of the last Annual Meeting (September 4th, 2011) and the current Treasurer's Report, had been circulated electronically prior to the meeting. There was little discussion on these items. Beth Ringrose motioned to approve the minutes, Ken Owens seconded, and the minutes were approved by all in attendance.

III. Gift Presentation

Kim O'Neil was presented with a gift from the YWPHI Board for her years of service to YWPHI.

III. Board Structure & Nominations

Betsy Ringrose was accepted as the new Treasurer. We then voted to fill the three vacant Board of Director seats. Kelly Rich read an e-mail sent by Richard Heim, and he along with Bert Kroon and Betsy Ringrose were

nominated and voted in by all in attendance.

Kelly indicated Scott Renfro had taken over the role of WYPHI webmaster.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Betsy Ringrose presented the latest Treasurer's Report (created by Kim O'Neil), which had been made available on the WYPHI website. It was noted that there are approx. 120 paying members, and John Mock commented that the membership represented about 75% of the property owners.

It was noted that the signees for the WYPHI bank account had been successfully transferred to Betsy Ringrose (as Treasurer) and Kelly Rich (as President).

V. Committee Reports

Hospitality

Rea Jackman was thanked for organizing the Memorial Day, July BBQ, and Labor Day meetings.

Fire Safety

John Mock summarized his work as the Chair of the Fire Safety Committee since 2004. Since then, he had written grant proposals and was awarded five national grants. They completed Phase I of all projects identified (including treatment of everything in the community) as well as a 200-300 sq-ft fuel break.

John said he was able to secure over \$500k of grant funds and mentioned the criteria for receiving funds had been made more stringent. He resigned from his position as the Chair of the Fire Safety Committee. The position remains vacant.

John advocated for a person to continue the fire safety work.

In recent years, we've been able to use grant money to fund a chipping service, but this year (2012) WYHPI funded the service entirely. John suggests we continue this program, even if we need to utilize our funds to

do so. He also mentioned that 2012 we had the largest number of piles to chip to date.

VI. New Business

Mission Statement

Kelly Rich suggested we amend our Bylaws to change the "Preamble" to "Mission Statement," and to add a flavor of environmentalism to the statement. Kelly said he will review the changes, to which there seemed to be no opposition from the members.

[Note: This Action Item has yet to be addressed.]

Letter from Pete Rei

Both Supervisor Lee Stetson and Director of Public Works Peter Rei were invited to speak at the Annual meeting, however both had previous plans and were unable to attend. In place of attending, Pete sent a letter summarizing the current Public Works issue status.

We addressed the letter send from Pete, which sparked a hearty discussion. Below is a summary of the interactions:

- [DonP]: We need to hire a good lawyer.
- [KayP]: Possible legal argument with TOT & justification for infrastructure maintenance.
- [KayP]: Our Road Fee (\$8/mo) is inadequate and we should vote to increase it.
- [ReaJ]: Write a petition and have community sign it.
- [BillP]: We could use an online petition.

This started a discussion about hiring an attorney.

Kelly made a motion to grant up-to \$3,000.00 from the YWPHI account to fund an investigation by an attourney. BetsyR seconded the motion, the members voted by voice and the motion was approved.

Kay said we should find a lawyer with knowledge of dealing with special districts.

General

- The question was raised regarding NaturalBridges Institute. It was said that the plans has been approved and the area is slated to have a fire station.

VII. Next Annual Meeting

The 2013 Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, September 1st, at 10:30 a.m., location to be announced.

Meeting Adjourned!

Minutes prepared by Kelly Rich