



Yosemite West Property & Homeowners, Inc.

2015 YWPHI Members Meeting Minutes Sunday August 31, 2015, 11a.m

The YWPHI Annual Meeting was called to order at approx. 11:35 am by Mike Stepien, President, and Debby Hagan agreed to take minutes (our Secretary Scott Renfro was absent).

We had ~48 attendees (27 member sign-ins, ~5 Guest)

I. Minutes

Kelly Rich read last year's minutes to the group, which had previously been posted to the YWPHI website in draft form.. He then moved to approve the minutes, seconded by John Mock. The minutes were passed unanimously.

II. Treasurer's Report

Kelly Rich presented the latest Treasurer's Report, which had been made available in hard copy at the meeting.

Fiscal Year totals: (See Treasurer's Report for details)

Checking \$ 908.00
Savings 5242.00
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Total = \$6, 151.29 (Fiscal Year)

Beth Ringrose motioned to approve the Treasure's Report, Metz seconded the motion, and the reports were accepted (passed) unanimously.

It was noted that membership is down compared to the previous year (120), and that we needed to actively try to increase membership. It was also suggested that we raise membership dues to increase our bank holdings

III. Other Business

Fire Grant Update (Kim O'Neil)

First, a BIG thanks to John Mock and Kim O'Neil's work on the fire grants.

- PG&E Catastrophic emergency grant.
Kim, John, and Moose wrote the proposal for the public utilities easement for removing dead trees. \$16,000 was granted and 122 trees were removed. 75% of properties on lots.
- Chipper & workers to remove branches & chip, ~ 5-days-worth of work.
Flagging tape a Post Office shed to mark piles.
- John and Kim need someone to learn about how to write the grants, they will not be able to provide this service for much longer.
WE NEED VOLENTEERS to help with this grant work, because more grants are available.

Yosemite West District Advisory Committee (John Mock)

Committee members: John Mock (chair), Rich ____, Bill Duff, Deborah Kroon, Jeff Hornasec, Tom Lambert, Moose Mutlow

There are quarterly meetings which are open to the public. The next one will be held on 9/10/15 at the Wawona Library. The meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of each quarter (March, June, September, December), and are held either here in Yosemite West or in Wawona.

Financial Analysis Mtg

Held at Kelly Rich's house, Aug. 20th. Analysis of audit and resulting recommendations. Results to come before County Supervisors meeting later in Sept '15.

Other

- No extra Yosemite West EDUs to be sold by the county.
- Water—Our current well is doing OK, but we need a 2nd water source (by California law).

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Yosemite Fire Update by Taro Presina

Four-year drought has caused a massive tree die-out.

- Fire treatments: burning from top down outside neighborhood.
- Controlled burn in mid-90's, but more burns are scheduled.

Discussions followed regarding:

- Our community water tank
- Clearing vacant lots (what are the lot owners responsible for?)

County Supervisor Rosemarie Smallcomb

Supervisor Smallcomb presented, and discussed:

- Financial Analysis, to be finalized on the following Tuesday. Then presented to the County Supervisors at an upcoming supervisor meeting (targeting the Sept. 15, 2015 mtg). Plan to discuss the analysis and direct staff to take the following actions on the recommendations:
 - A) Ignore
 - B) Transfer \$42,000
 - C) Apply \$42,000 to help cover the \$58,000 Water & Road study. JMock noted that \$47,970 is bond assessment proceeds and cannot be used on water supply.
 - \$~\$160,000 was collected from EDU sales, but went into County's General Fund. By Thanksgiving (2015), money collected should be (1) put into a separate EDU fund and (b) a second account.
- Fire siren: OES \$12,000-13,000 for the siren. Foresta is testing one, Rosemarie to follow up on their progress.

Other news and issues

- A discussion followed on bears in the area. Perhaps form a committee to address any problems.

IV. Board Structure & Nominations

There are currently 2 Board openings.

- Robert Kroon was approved to the board (renewed Board membership)
- Ted Williams was approved to the board.

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YWPHI Board Status

- President: Mike Stepian (3-year term started 9/2013)
- Vice President : Steven Pederson (3-year term started 9/2014)
- Treasurer : Kelly Rich (3-year term started 9/2013)
- Secretary : Scott Renfreo (3-year term started 9/2014)
- BOD member: Richard Kroon (3-year term started 9/2015)
- BOD member : Vonnie Coomb (3-year term started 9/2014)
- BOD member : Open position (spot help by Richard Hiem--filled by Ted Williams, 3-year term starting 9/2015)

VI. Next Annual Meeting, & Adjourn

The **2016 Annual Members Meeting** will be held on **Sunday, September 4th, at Noon.**, Mike Stepian's house on Azalea Lane.

Meeting adjourned at 13:42 hours.

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Hagan (acting) Secretary, transcribed by Kelly Rich