

# **PINECREST PERMITTEES ASSOCIATION**

Board of Directors Meeting

December 5, 2014 – Twain Harte Golf Club

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Tim Fisher, “J” Rogers, Chris Barth, Laurie Cashman, Andy Brechwald, Mike Yaley, Howard Kirk

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Pat Smith, General Manager; Molly Fuller and Jennifer Sorensen, Forest Service; David Gibbs, South Shore Cabin Owner

## **1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 by President Tim Fisher.

## **2. Visitor Introduction:** Molly Fuller, District Ranger and Jennifer Sorensen (oversees Special Uses Programs), USFS.

Jennifer explained she has been living in the area for some years and working for the Indian tribes. She will be overseeing the Special Uses Programs for the USFS. She can be reached at 209 965-3434, Ext. 5313. Her cell phone is 206-3904 and her email address is [jennifersorensen@FS.fed.us](mailto:jennifersorensen@FS.fed.us).

Molly Fuller stated that Julie Martin is now working in Medford, Oregon. Jennifer will be supervising the Administrative Staff in the District. Updates: Traffic Circulation Plan – She did send a letter responding to the cutting to the three trees questioned by the Board. It has been forwarded to the Board. Molly stated that PG&E has removed one of the trees. It is felt that if we save the other trees it will be too narrow for vehicles. Tim noted that this will be discussed later.

Prior to the final design, Molly will meet with Laurie, Pat and Allen. The next meeting TCP Committee Meeting will be January 13<sup>th</sup>. Overnight Parking – The technical working group is trying to sort out the problems so we can enforce parking. She is getting input from those that it would impact. The Campground development is coming up in December. They have met twice as a technical working group. The USFS is advertising the franchise for the campground, which is a priority. Molly noted that American Land & Leisure manages campgrounds and recreation areas across America for the USDA, Forest Service, Pacific Gas & Electric and California State Parks and is a huge concessioner. Molly reported that a transformer is going to be installed near the former Shell Station. This will be the backup electric power for Pinecrest.

George Cardinet input regarding CFA update: It was buried in a military funding bill, Sec. 3024 under Cabin Use & Transfer Fee and that has passed and it will go to the Senate next week.

David Gibbs is here as an observer and cabin owner. He is thinking about asking to be put on the Board ballot for next year.

## **3. Approval of Minutes of the October 3, 2014 Meeting**

The minutes were approved as presented on a motion by Chris Barth, seconded Laurie Cashman and carried.

## **4. Manager’s Report – Pat Smith**

- A. Fire Boat Status – Pat stated he has transported it from Spokane, Washington .It is a nice boat with a pair of heavy duty 215 HP Mercury motors. They returned the old boat to the County. The first launching of the boat was in the Columbia River.
- B. Tract Maps- They are retracing the lines on the map since they ended up too light. Tim said he would like street names on the map.
- C. Truck Decals - on most of the vehicles.
- D. Equipment Maintenance- Staff is rebuilding the crawler tractor brakes at a cost of \$10,000 for parts. The tracks are pretty worn, but that is a another cost of \$10,000. The Chevy truck has a transmission problem, which will cost about \$1,000.
- E. House Maintenance-Staff is working on the Cold Springs house. The cabinets have been stripped, painted and re-sanded and new stain put on. The staff is doing all of the labor and only materials are being purchased. They are also re-carpeting and the ceiling has been insulated. The improvements will increase property value. Tim noted that the USFS will not allow year-round housing in the forest. In 2009 PPA purchased a house on a lot that is big enough to build another home. The house is for our staff.

## 5. Financial Report

- A. Investments – The Board discussed the report from Edward Jones. The Board discussed putting monies in an account with more interest. A Commercial Money Market Bond Account was discussed. Tim will pursue and present his findings to the Board.
- B. Overall Status – Tim stated that we are still looking good. We have more revenue than budgeted expenses.[ \$903,000 was budgeted and we have spent \$756,000].
- C. Safe Harbor – Notices have been sent out to employees, which allows money to be distributed for the higher salaried staff [General Manager].

## 6. Budget Adoption

- A. Budget Overview – Public Comment/Board Comment: None of the Board has received comments regarding the Budget Proposal. It was noted that water use over 50,000 gallons will have an additional charge of \$10 per gallon. Pat is ready to submit the numbers to the accountant for billing.
- B. President's Comments
  - 1. Employee Salary/Credential Summary – Tim referred to the Staff Report regarding employees [salaries, housing, credentials & licenses].
  - 2. Health Insurance – The present program is about 3-1/2% higher than last year. Tim stated that they explored other plans, but they didn't include dental, so we will continue with the present program. We provide a supplemental for deductibles. Ken has asked to change the deductible amount and re-adopt the \$500 per individual. Howard Kirk moved to update the Reimbursement Plan with the alteration to \$500 per individual. Seconded by "J" Rogers and carried.
  - 3. House Payoff Status – There is \$96,000 remaining on loan. Allen asked if we can sell the house and build a new house in the forest. Molly believes it is unlikely but that she will look into it.
  - 4. The Fund Balances were reviewed. We are accumulating healthy reserves.
- C. Adoption of Budget and Fees: It was moved by Andy Brechwald, seconded by Howard Kirk to adopt the budget and fees based on what has been presented. Motion carried.

## 7. Updates

- A. Campground Plan - All the meetings were cancelled. The next meeting will be December 17th; the Traffic Circulation Parking Committee will meet January 13th.

- B. Solar Equipment – Andy has assembled our power usage records and is contacting independent companies for proposals to provide solar panels at our sewer plant. It would be helpful in the summer months when activity is the highest.
- C. Letter to County CAO – It was clarified that Craig Pedro was not given an award; the award was for a new contract.

#### **8. New Business**

- A. Allen requested the Board address the new fees Yosemite Park will be charging. The Board conceded that it is not concerned with the fees beyond our purview.

#### **9. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:18.

The next meeting will be March 20 at 10:30.

By:

Jan Moncrieff  
Recording Secretary

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tim Fisher".

Tim Fisher  
Board President