

Berry Creek Community Association

Minutes

January 10, 2009

70 Graystone Lane

Executive Council Members Present: Roger Cutler, Loren Gill, Skip Gross, Dori Hamill
Council Member Absent: Kat Molohon

9am Call to Order, Roger

Minutes approved from 12/08 meeting

Treasurer's Report:

*Checking: \$165.16 Savings: \$325.31

*Dori will be writing check for \$50.00 to Will Cotter towards software for new website.

Committee Reports

Planning and Zoning:

*Mary Keiser was asked to serve on the Planning and Zoning Committee and she agreed to do so along with John Gellar.

*It was discussed about what the committee's responsibilities will be.

Zoning members may need to attend meetings to keep the group updated.

We also need to monitor the General Plan Updates and research any items that might affect Berry Creek.

*Nanci reported that a thrift shop is being built behind the Post Office on Whispering Pines Lane. Nanci will try to get parcel number so Mary can check to see if a use permit is needed.

*Possibilities for infrastructure projects that might be funded under the new stimulus package were discussed.

-Funding for roads and bridges could be part of a public works project.

-High Speed Internet for rural areas might encourage high tech, non-polluting businesses to relocate to Berry Creek.

Roads and Trails:

*Andy asked about a timeframe for the Bald Rock Road Improvement petition. It was suggested that we should wait to submit the petition until after the next Town Hall Meeting in March so that we can get more signatures. Then we decided that we should submit the petition to Public Works now, as this might be a project that could be funded by the stimulus package. ACTION: Make copies of petition on bright paper for Post Office to try to get more signatures.

-Demonstration Area subcommittee to research possibility of creating a widened portion of road to demonstrate the value to property owners, residents and the county of having the road widened for safety. Bob will organize meeting to discuss.

* Berry Creek Road needs removable (unlockable) bollards to prevent illegal dumping. Property owners on Berry Creek Rd need to be contacted by Loren or Mike Crump.

*Andy submitted a thank you letter to Supervisor Connelly for approval.

*****This led to a discussion of Executive Council actions:**

***Requests for information and thank you letters do not need Council approval, but the**

Council does need to be cc'd so that they are in the loop.

***Recommendations and requests for action need Council signatures.**

LOGO: The need for an official Berry Creek Community Association logo was discussed. The logo will be used on our letterhead as well as the new berrycreekca.org website.

ACTION: We will ask the community to submit their ideas for our new logo. Mary will fine tune or adapt the winning design.

Public Safety:

We need an agenda for the meeting with OES heads regarding the summer fires and evacuation. Group will meet after this to discuss agenda items.

Watershed:

*Loren reported that there will be a Wildflower Festival on April 4 &5 at Riverbend Park.

*Grants are available for revegetation and water testing.

*Roger reported a loss of water pressure and increased silt as a result of the December earthquake.

Parks and Recreation:

Loren reported that Henry Bracheau (sp?) from CalFire recently submitted a letter of support to the state regarding acquisition of the now empty Harts Mill fire station. The building would be used as a museum. Following the Stirling City model, the museum will be owned by Feather River Rec and Parks and staffed by Berry Creek volunteers.

*A new Fire Wise and Water Safe Demonstration Garden at the new Harts Mill station 62 is being constructed. Native plants have been purchased at wholesale prices with funding from the Fire Safe Council.

Public Information:

Will reported that he now has the software needed to build the new berrycreekca.org website. He needs to install it and meet with Dori to start redesigning the info. We hope to make it more user friendly to the community. **ACTION:** Will hopes to have an initial

version of new website for February meeting for input. If everything goes well we should have website to show to community at Town Meeting in March.

Public Health:

Cathy reports that the Grange is willing to host a visiting nurse from Public Health once a month.

Town Meeting

*March 28, 2009, Berry Creek School, 10:02am

Need:

Shirley; a list of classes we want Feather River Rec and Park to conduct up here for children and adults. We can take a count from Town Meeting attendees and get suggestions.

Candidates for election in March. 3 seats are up for election. Dori, Loren and Skip are up for re-election.

Logo Contest: announce contest online and at Town Meeting.

Website

Volunteers to make coffee, sign people in, count ballots, set up chairs

Meeting Adjourned at 10:40am