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**Berry Creek Community Association
Minutes
February 14, 2009
70 Graystone Lane**

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

9:10 am

Call to Order, Roger

Minutes from January 10, 2009 Approved with the following corrections:

Addition of Nanci to Planning and Zoning Committee.

Submitting Road Widening Petition. We think we should wait to submit until after the census numbers come in to get a better idea of how many people live here. Stimulus money isn't coming for a while so we have some time.

- Regarding Berry Creek Road property owners. Mike Crump contacted Board of Supervisors. Feb 24 they vote to change designation of road to recreation so bollards can be installed. We need to go to meeting.
- Harts Mill station fire-wise garden plants" will be purchased", they have not been purchased yet.
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Treasurer's Report: \$50.00 paid to Will for software for the new website.

Checking: \$165.16 Savings: \$325.34

Committee Reports:

Planning and Zoning:

*Mary reports that there is a General Plan 2030, Goals and Policy meeting on Feb 18 and 19. Committee needs to find out what areas apply to Berry Creek and follow those meetings.

*Nanci has identified 320 acres for sale on Bloomer Hill/Encina Grande. We should monitor especially since the road access is not good. Can purchase whole or 10 parcel divisions of various sizes. Research deer migration maps to see if that applies. Also, what are the existing parcels sizes?

It was explained that Flexible Lots and cluster development involves developing only small part of lot and leave the rest natural.

*How do we keep on top of what is happening? Permit search on County Development page to see what is happening. Is there a way to work with Planning Dept. to keep in the

loop as to what permit are being reviewed? ACTION: Mary will ask how BCCA can get involved in the approval process on a regular basis.

*Modular homes need to meet fire protection rules as of Jan 2008 per CalFire regulations.

*Septic Rules: State wants to impose new regulations

Kathy reports that Santa Monica Bay is having wastewater issues but the state wants to apply to everything.

This is bigger than us. It is already being fought by bigger entities...

ACTION: Call Dan Logue and Bill Connelly to find out if we can add a letter from BCCA in opposition to new septic regulations.

ACTION: Public Safety Committee will monitor in addition to Kathy Brady.

*Whispering Pines: No use permit for Chapel as of today. In the past, the designation was changed from single family to church. Thrift shop has not applied for use permit yet.

ACTION: Call pastor of church to find out if they will be opening thrift store and proceed informally.

Roads and Trails:

*Kathy reports that she is continuing to work with Mark Jones on the advisory signs. The county is dealing with other areas and Mark Jones still needs to come up to Berry Creek as soon as possible.

ACTION: Take pictures of s-turns after the Village Market to show degradation of the road, partially caused by detour.

*There is a Brush control person who is training right now. French Broom is still very much a problem.

Concow plant society is active in Broom Bashing. We have a couple of tools to help get rid of it.

*Need to get an active and correct map of roads with correct names. Reed Rankin has a map he is working on. ACTION: Will will contact Reed to get it documented.

This will aid in fire protection locally as well as for visiting firefighters in an emergency.

ACTION: Have map at town meeting so people can add/change their info.

*Bald Rock Trail adopt a trail: responsibility for cleanup of that area. Needs: NO

Dumping Signs, Fine \$ for dumping.

Zinc Road also has dumping issues.

Public Health:

Flu has appeared nationwide. The shot we got protects against what is being seen now.

Public Safety:

*Reviewed draft of Letter to John Gulserian, coordinating OES meeting and emergency preparedness. ACTION: Roger will revise letter before sending.

*Extend invitation on March 14 to Fire Safe Council to see how we can work together.

*Skip continues to run radio lines at the Fire Station to boost radio reception on 1250am

Watershed:

- *Kathy will contact head of County water... To see about assessments for water quality.
- *Dennis Ney, Fire Safe Council would like to be included.
- *We discussed what watershed includes. Everything affects water quality.
- * Upcoming Watershed Festival at Riverbend Park, April 4-5.

Parks and Recreation:

- *Shirley will hopefully have a list of classes for discussion at Town Meeting for Feather River Rec and Park. We need to be proactive in getting feedback from community on what classes for children and adults we want them to offer.
- *FRRP has hired someone to write grants and if we have someone to work with them it might help the process. Will and Dori have volunteered to learn grant writing. August is the deadline for Maidu Meadows grant.

Communications:

- *Website update:

Will created a mock up for the new navigation of berrycreekca.org

It should be easier to maneuver through information.

Each community group such as Grange, will have own link to update info.

Some info will update automatically such as Burn Day Status. Opening page will have most relevant upcoming events. How many days until Berry Festival... Hope to have it up and running by Town Meeting.

List of contacts on website: Fire Safe Council, Grange, BCCA, Company 61, etc.

***LOGO contest:** The BCCA is in need of a logo for letterhead, the new website, etc
We would like community participation by having Berry Creek residents young and old, submit their concepts for our new logo. The winner's idea will be adapted for use as the official logo of Berry Creek!

Kids input, presentation to classes at Berry Creek School

Introduce contest at Town Meeting

Adapt, possible online voting

May 1 conclude.

Drop off guidelines: twice size being able to be reduce down to

Flier goes to website: keep in mind color to black and white, size, simple

Announcements:

***Rocky McGuffin of Camp Okizu passed away recently. He was a great asset to the community and will be missed.

Jeff Winfrey is his replacement.

*Robert Daniels will be taking over the Chipper Program from Loren.

*Send Mary info for logo contest requirement and she will make flyer.

March 14, 2009 BCCA meeting at 9 am: Set agenda for Town Mtg on 3/28
Post office pre-voting: ask Jim