

BVRI Board Meeting January 21, 2012

Meeting Minutes

Board Members in attendance:

Dave Morley
Katherine Aitken-Young
Gloria Dralla
Tom Fraser
Barbara Goodrich
Eric Jung
Paul Petersen
Ann Porteus
Jill Wegenstein
Gordon Ritter
Ron Rossi
Jack Wedgwood
Ron Murphy

Board Members absent:

Jeff Gouveia
Randy Mancini

Guests:

Thom Jacob
Terry Woodrow, Board of Supervisors
Kimi Johnson

CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting called to order at 4:02 pm by BVRI Board President Dave Morley in the County Services Building in Bear Valley, California and via telephone conference bridge for those members unable to attend in person.

Approval of Minutes for Board Meeting held on November 26, 2011

These minutes were approved via online motion and have already been posted to the BVRI Website.

Treasurer's Report – Jack Wedgwood

Jack Wedgwood provided the current balance sheet and P&L Statement to the board via email on January 21 with the following notations:

- Membership Dues are only 79% of last year.
- Beach operations were higher due to purchasing beach sand, but were offset by lower temporary helpers since we opened the beach much later than last year.
- Insurance looks higher, but last year's insurance bill was a short year since I changed the premium due date from July 1 to May. There was very little change from the previous full year.
- Some bills need to be paid (BV Parents Group Donation, Fireworks Contribution, Newsletter and Election/Membership mailing)

Discussion: Setting up a PayPal account for BVRI to accept membership payments. Jack and Katherine to explore this option before secondary membership drive in the May / June timeframe.

MOTION: Barbara Goodrich made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report.

SECONDED: Katherine Aitken-Young

All members in favor.

None opposed.

President's Report – Dave Morley

Very happy the snow is finally falling!

We are going to hear a very positive report from the BVWD meeting that was held on Monday 1/16.

Bylaws Update – Ron Rossi

Ron expects to have a draft of the revised bylaws by the next Board Meeting.

Summer Picnic Plans – Jill Wegenstein

Target date: Saturday, July 7, 2012

Jill has asked for more support from the Board to execute the picnic in 2012.

Nominations for the BVRI Board – Dave Morley

Nominees include: Katherine Aitken-Young, Gordon Ritter, Paul Petersen, Ann Porteus, Gloria Dralla, Thom Jacob, and Jesse Markham.

Ballots are at the printer and the mailing will go out on January 27.

BV Water District Report—Barbara Goodrich

The District Board drafted a letter to Alpine County Board of Supervisors that details their new analysis and presents a plan that will move us forward to the full allotment of sewage connections. On Monday 1/16 the BVWD Board came to agreement on the language and the letter was mailed Tuesday.

The substance of the letter includes the following 3 main points:

- 1 in 100 year precipitation allowed replacement of theoretical numbers with actual. This increased the number of connections from 141 to 248.
- In August the developer hired a global engineering firm to work with BVWD to come up with other options. They recommended improvement of the diversion ditch that would allow for additional increase in hookups because it would reduce runoff going into the pond.
- For everything else it's increased spray fields (up to 52 acres).

Negotiations with Greg Finch about reimbursement are completed and he has agreed to reimburse \$40K of the \$60K cost.

There is a rate study in progress now. BVWD has been operating at a loss for the last few years and there will be an increase at some point. Hope to have a draft of the study by Monday 2/20 and a public workshop discussion to be held that same day. Time and place to be announced.

Q1 Bill included notation of the BVWD Workshop Monday 2/20.

LAWC — Gloria Dralla

Re: Advice Letter 97

Over-collection will be refunded to the rate payers. Residents will get about a \$483 refund. The method of repayment is under discussion.

Litigation is in progress with the CPUC regarding transfer.

RLAWC (Ratepayers of LAWC) – Gloria Dralla

This unincorporated association was set up to support the group opposing the LAWC transfer. Gloria reported that any rate payer can join for \$1. It is focused on the protest against the LAWC transfer but going forward it will not be solely focused on LAWC – it is to monitor all utilities in Bear Valley. Discussion of BVRI involvement in this organization.

BVRI/BVMF Committee – Jack Wedgwood/Gloria Dralla

Jack Wedgwood reported: The BV Music Festival is still in financial trouble. The festival has been held in our community for 43 years and it's an extremely valuable asset for our community.

Gloria Dralla reported: Change in the staff of the music festival. John Ennals is now in charge. Gloria also suggested that we encourage our membership to donate some or all of their LAWC refund to the BVMF.

Barbara Goodrich reported: The music tent isn't filling up. The 2012 program will be different to attempt to change this. The BV Mountain has pledged a large number of free tickets for donors to the festival. A donor has offered to match donations. The festival needs more support from the community in order to survive.

BVMF is trying to raise \$50K to pay off last year's debts and to provide the seed money for this year's festival.

Jack suggested we ask for additional financial support for the music festival combined with our membership renewal request.

Discussion about a FAQ about how to support Bear Valley in the newsletter that goes beyond supporting the Music Festival.

Discussion of BVRI support for the festival.

MOTION: Jack Wedgwood made a motion to donate \$5,000 to the music festival and to forgive the \$1,100 BVMF owes BVRI for musicians meals at our 2011 picnic.

SECONDED: Barbara Goodrich

All members in favor.

None opposed.

ARC Report

ARC activity over the summer was heavy relative to other years. One new home plan under review on Avalanche Road.

We have numerous requests for approvals for decks and roofs damaged by the snowfall of last year.

Discussion of Alkema landscape plan not yet submitted but agreed to by homeowner.

Snowmobiles and or OHV Action Plan – Gordon Ritter

There is still budget in the incentive fund to provide a \$300 discount on any new 4-stroke purchased in Bear Valley.

Snowmobile parking: The Sheriff will be enforcing the snowmobile parking laws this season. Sheriff Rick Stephens reported that they will ticket and tow snowmobiles that are parked on the groomed roadway with a focus on snowmobiles that are in the middle of the road blocking the grooming clearance for the groomer.

Beach Operations Report – Paul Petersen

There are a couple of boats left on beach that should be removed. Ice skating on Bear Lake is not safe and should not be done.

Newsletter – Dave Morley

Plan to send out in the next couple of weeks.

Report from the Board of Supervisors — Terry Woodrow

A test of the reverse 911 calls were conducted and the system seems to be working. Residents are automatically included with their primary phone number. To add additional numbers you have to download a form off the county Website under documents to request additional numbers be added.

http://www.alpinecountyca.gov/sheriff/sheriff_documents

Filename: Reverse_911_Address_Form.doc.

Terri indicated you have to mail the form in—even though the form says you can file it electronically.

The Bear Lake swimming application is in process. Kimi Johnson reported she has been communicating with staff at Senator James' office. They have

the language needed for the Bill and it should be introduced this month or in February.

New Business

Discussion of getting BVRI together with the BVBA and other groups in Bear to talk about ways to support the health of the community.

Next Meeting

March 24, 4:00 pm

*** Adjournment:**

Dave Morley adjourned the meeting at 5:31 pm