

**BEAR VALLEY RESIDENTS, INC.**  
**Meeting Minutes, General Meeting 9-6-2015**  
**Perry Walther Building, Bear Valley**  
*Tom Fraser presiding*

**Board Members Attending:** Jill Wegenstein, Larry Johnson, Jack Wedgwood, Randy Mancini, Ron Murphy, Dave Morley, Curt Wozniak, Eric Jung

**President's Report:** Fraser introduced the Board members. He listed BVRI's latest accomplishments: formalizing committee structure, with an invitation to any BVRI member to participate; appointment of liaisons to government agencies; election of Board; Sierra Nevada Conservancy \$40,000 grant for fuel management in common areas; plant trout in Bear Lake; a very successful summer picnic, with thanks to Kim Lemieux and others, along with a request for feedback from members; cleanup of Adopt-A-Highway segment, next episode in October or November, anyone is invited to help; arrangement with Lodge swimming pool for member use.

**Treasurer:** Wedgwood said the picnic cost us some money but all feel it's worth it. We have 371 members. We donated for the New Year's Eve fireworks and the Bear Valley Music Festival. He submitted a financial report for the year-to-date, about half a fiscal year.

**Nominating Committee:** Johnson invited any interested member to join a committee or run for the Board. Contact through the website, [www.bvri.org](http://www.bvri.org).

**Benno Nager** reported on matters with the ski area, the Lodge, and Skyline corporation. He thanked BVRI for their \$2,000 donation toward the Lodge pool. He said the ski area had a tough year and lost some money, but we're better off than most other California ski areas. They created summer attractions and kept the restaurants open. They will go to 5 days a week with the restaurants until ski season. Maintenance crews have been working all summer at the Mountain.

Skyline doesn't want to continue their involvement with Bear Valley. Nager is working with the Co-op and local investors to put together a buyout of Skyline's holdings. Skyline had a major shift in corporate philosophy away from hospitality and operations to get into commercial real estate. Nager assured us that paychecks and normal operations will continue at the Mountain. He said he spends 50% of his time on his Bear Valley job.

**Architectural Review Committee:** Murphy said the ARC approved one new house proposal, 4 remodel/reroof, 3 deck replace/enlarge, 9 home repaint/restain, 1 replace siding. There were no reported CC&R violations.

**Forestry:** Jung said work on the \$40,000 common area fuel management grant hasn't started because crews to do the work have been busy with forest fires. About 200 letters were sent to owners found to be out of compliance with lot clearing ordinances. 15 lots were reinspected, and 8 of these were then forwarded to the Sheriff's office for followup. 81 letters/emails were sent to owners whose addresses were not visibly posted. Owners are encouraged to go beyond minimum fire clearance rules and consider thinning trees for better forest health.

**Supervisor's Report:** County Supervisor Terry Woodrow said she's working on a grant for fuel reduction on ski area territory and near the beach, on U.S. Forest Service land. She will work with us on the next round of grants to supplement the common area fuel reduction grant. The chipper program spent \$8,400 this year, and should end by October. Application forms are available from the Sheriff's Office, the library, on the BVRI website, or from Supervisor Woodrow.

**Sheriff's Report:** Deputy Tim Bottomley said the Bear Valley Fire Department has sent out a truck and crew to two fires elsewhere in the state. This makes money for our Fire Department.

**Lake Alpine Water Company:** Jung discussed a report from LAWC. The aerator in Bear Lake has been partially successful, and will continue to be used to combat algae blooms. Effects of the fish plant on eutrophication are inconclusive and may take a few years to be felt. LAWC continues to send water quality reports to the state, a condition for making the swimming exemption permanent.

**Boats at the Beach:** Wegenstein explained the new boat registration program for beach storage and urged all to comply.

**Adjournment**