

BEAR VALLEY RESIDENTS, INC.
Board Meeting Minutes, 12-05-20
Colin McKee presiding

Board Members: Ann Porteus, Randy Mancini, Ken Schultz, Curt Wozniak, J.P. Derouin, Rajka Colic, Ron Murphy, Dave Sanderson, Jill Wegenstein, Kim Lemieux, Rob Wiercinski, Larry Johnson, Eric Jung
Guests: Deputy Joel Burnett, Sally Swanson, Supervisor Terry Woodrow, Yasmin Vermeulen, Jeff Demello

Supervisor's Report

Woodrow said we're probably getting our power shutoff for high wind, Monday through Tuesday. The contract for Covid-19 testing has been renewed through March. Alpine County is now in the Red Tier, with 57 cases as of last Monday. All cases are on the east side so far – none in Bear Valley or Kirkwood. We're in the Sacramento Region for calculating case rates. When ICU beds available go below 15%, we go to a stricter shutdown regime. The BV Library offers online book requests with curbside pickup. The CSA Board will place a 6 yard dumpster in the South Lot this winter. The signage at the Transfer Station will be improved. California's longest serving Supervisor, Don Jardine, has resigned from the Alpine County Board. The Governor appointed January Riddle to complete the term. Sean Hammes took or burned the trees at the Kids' Beach. Trees at the Big Beach were not his responsibility. Woodrow will work on getting rid of them. Kimi Johnson will dispose of the tire near the beach.

Sheriff's Report

Burnett said we will have new bear-resistant dumpsters at the Transfer Station next summer, with improved signage. The Sheriff has requested from the Supervisors a new Type 6 fire engine. All equipment at the firehouse is functional.

President's Report

The Task Force on lake policy is taking a two-pronged approach. Wozniak and Wiercinski are trying to reach our attorney, Curt Sproul, to see what we can or can't do. And a subcommittee is putting together a survey, to be issued to owners within a week, to determine usage patterns and preferences. The Board will consider the results in January.

Spam

Board members should tell Ann Porteus how they want their contact information to appear on our website.

Treasurer's Report

Wozniak presented a written report. Memberships were strong. The lack of a picnic freed up more money for beach maintenance. The annual fireworks will happen, so...

Derouin moved \$1400 to BVBA for the fireworks; Porteus 2nd; unanimous.

We will buy bear-resistant trash containers for the beaches next summer.

Beach

Derouin will talk to Jung about costs of bringing water, power, and bathrooms to the beach. He will place meat bee traps early in spring. Many thanks to J.P. and Randy for tree cutting and other maintenance at the beaches.

Architectural Review

Lemieux submitted a written report. There are no new applications for review. She fielded letters about the noise of generators. Her research shows that new commercial generators comply with county rules for allowable noise. The ARC can be a resource to screen applications for generator installation, advising owners on noise suppression, location, and fire safety. Woodrow will find out whether permits are required for smaller portable generators.

Forestry

Jung proposed relaxing the rules for cutting live trees. For further discussion...

Election

Johnson said members paid up by December 31 can vote in the Board member election, February 4 to 28. There are 5 seats up, with 6 candidates so far. Anyone wishing to run must apply by January 23. Election of officers will take place March 5 through 12.

Membership

Porteus submitted a written report. We have 383 members (a new high, I think – Sec.).

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NextDoor

You can flag objectionable posts, which sends them to a committee of Wegenstein, Porteus, and Mancini who may remove those posts.

Email

Members have found that routing your email through Gmail can make spam, phishers, and spoofers more manageable.

Next Meeting

Sometime in February, to be determined.