

**BEAR VALLEY RESIDENTS, INC.**  
**Meeting Minutes for November 20, 2021 (held by Zoom)**  
*Steve Schwabauer presiding*

**Board Members Attending:** Steve Schwabauer, Curt Wozniak, Jill Wegenstein, Ann Porteus, Tom Fraser, Rob Wiercinski, Randy Mancini, Colin McKee, Dave Sanderson, J.P. Derouin, Eric Jung

**Guests:** Supervisor Terry Woodrow, Deputy Denver Stoner, Sunil Khatana, Mike Mee, Richard Engel, Carlos Guimaraes, Stacey Stillman, Debbie Baker

**Supervisor's Report:** Woodrow said the chipper program is mostly done, with 105 participants. There are a few piles at properties which didn't submit an application. She will drive around with Jay Hylton tomorrow to have a look. The common area fuel reduction grant contractor is still working, having covered 30 acres so far. CalFire's Gary Whitson, who oversees the program, relaxed a grant condition to allow mechanical fuel removal.

The county Redistricting Committee submitted 5 option to the Board of Supervisors who will discuss on December 15. It appears we will still be in Congressman McLintock's District. We will likely be in a changed State Senate District. We will likely stay in Frank Bigelow's State Assembly District.

Woodrow is working with the Forest Service to get improvements on the shaded fuel break west of town, and also on fuel reduction at Lake Alpine, although the USFS is understaffed and not moving quickly.

The Fire Safe Council got a grant which will get us a paid coordinator, who can help us with project planning and fuel reduction. The Secure Rural Schools funding was renewed, which guarantees the continuation of the Chipper Program.

**Sheriff's Report:** Deputy Stoner said there will be an extra porta-potty in the South lot this winter. They will enforce one-way traffic flow at the South lot on busy weekends.

**President's Report:** Schwabauer praised the Trail Stewardship group for their very useful trail work, and for their co-sponsorship of the BVRI storage unit.

**Beach Report:** Derouin said the beaches are cleared and in good shape. We'll work on the volleyball court next spring. All the boats are gone. There was discussion of whether to have the summer picnic and whether to have it catered. Food vendors will be contacted.

**Ways and Means:** Wozniak submitted a written financial report. Post Office donations this year were an astonishing \$3,555. We got a tax refund.

*Schwabauer moved \$2,000 for the New Year's Eve fireworks: Wiercinski 2<sup>nd</sup>; approved unanimously.*

*Fraser moved \$500 for a bonus to the Postmistress Sara; Sanderson 2<sup>nd</sup>; approved unanimously.*  
Discussion on the picnic will happen after the meeting by email.

To reduce taxable income, we will give a deposit to J Tree toward fuel reduction projects next year.

**Architectural Review:** Lemieux submitted a written report. 4 projects were approved. Two projects are under review, including a new house and a shed built without ARC approval.

**Forestry:** Jung submitted a written report. Wozniak hasn't gotten a response from attorney Sproul on how we might change requirements on fuel reduction. Wozniak and McKee presented options for a voluntary donation program to do fuel reduction on common areas.

*Jung move to proceed with common area fuel reduction program, involving elements of Wozniak*

*and McKee plans and voluntary donations; Wegenstein 2<sup>nd</sup>; approved unanimously.*

*Schwabauer moved BVRI to take responsibility for logs on roadside near the little beach;*

*Wiercinski 2<sup>nd</sup>; approved unanimously.*

Guimaraes asked whether an assessment might fund a total fuel reduction program on common areas and all lots. Jung estimated that it would take at least a million dollars to do the common areas, and 4 times that for the lots. An assessment election on such amounts would be a tough sell.

**CC&Rs:** There was discussion of BVRI's rules on antennas and satellite dishes. The new Starlink system requires more clear sky than previous systems. The law prohibits us from making rules that effectively make such systems unworkable. Schwabauer will work on proposed rule changes. The consensus so far is that dishes should stay at the house, not out in the yard or on a tree.

**Nominating Committee:** Wiercinski encouraged Board members to solicit candidates for Board seats.

**Membership:** Porteus submitted a written report. Unchanged from last meeting. 385 total memberships.

**Next Meeting** to be determined.