

GERLE CREEK SUMMER HOME TRACT ASSOCIATION (GCSHTA)

MEETING MINUTES

June 25, 2016

Lunch was at 11:30, Lot 25, in which the two USFS employee's joined us.

EL DORADO NATIONAL FOREST FIRE PRESENTATION BY BECKY SHUFELT AND CARL GOODWIN

At 12:10 Bill Dillon, President of the GCSHTA introduced USFS employee's Becky Shuflet, Resources Officer and Carl Goodwin, Special Uses Permit Administrator.

Carl Goodwin, Special Uses Permit Administrator, talked about:

- We can issue **Burn permits** (campfire and dooryard) today after the meeting. Before burning always call (530) 621-5897 to be sure it is a burn day.
- Be sure to have a **30' clearance** of all flammable vegetation/pine needles around your cabin and out buildings. Must meet Public Resources Code (PRC) 4291. PRC 4291 actually discusses vegetation management out to 100', however, most cabin lot's do not go out that far. Cabin owners need to know where their lot lines are, but we're not concerned if you go a little over your property line. Emphasis on removing dead lower branches (ladder fuels) on trees.
- Cabin owners can **cut standing dead trees up to 6" DBH** (diameter at breast height) without permission from the USFS if it is **within 30' of the cabin** or building. Greater than 6" DBH, or beyond 30' from the side of a building requires permission from the USFS.
- Question, "Can we plant replacement trees?" Ans. **Only native species of trees can be planted.** We'll get you a list. We prefer you let the trees repopulate naturally.
- **Transferring of cabin Special Uses Permits.** It costs \$1200 now. Let us know ASAP and we will help you through it. We do not want to hold up your escrow.
- Question, "Are the **USFS crews going to be back thinning, piling and burning between the paved road and the lower road this summer?**" Ans. Yes, if they are not on fires.
- Only the **Special Uses Permit** permit holder can be issued permits, given permissions or approvals. Other family members or relatives cannot.

The USFS presentation ended at 12:35.

At 12:38 Bill Dillon, GCSHT President, made a motion to call the meeting to order. Seconded by Rodgers (Lot 28). A roll call was taken, and we had 22 cabin owners and/or proxies. We had a quorum.

APPROVAL OF THE 2015 MEETING MINUTES

No questions were asked. It was moved/seconded by McDowall (Lot 41) / McDowall (Lot 40) and carried to approve 2015 meeting minutes as presented.

APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2016/2017

Brad Dillon, GCSHT Treasurer, presented the proposed budget for 2016/2017. Current assessment is \$175. Total ending balance in all accounts is \$26,378.27. It was moved/seconded by Busalacchi (Lot 37) / Angello (Lot 32) and carried to accept 2016/2017 budget.

OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

GCSHT water system is due for an inspection by the County Environmental Health Dept. June 28th. **Anti-siphon valves are a County requirement.** Please put them on during the summer months. You can remove them when the water system is shut off for the winter.

The current water tests have passed and the water is potable

Fire Boxes. We are working on boxes that will eventually go next to each hydrant and hold additional hose.

Fire hose covers. We are working on replacing the 17 worn out fire hose covers that protect the hose from sunlight. A few extra will be purchased once a vendor is found.

Security screen door for the pump house. Bill Boyd is working on purchasing and installing a security screen door on the pump house to allow greater circulation of air on hot days. The generator motor will run cooler and hopefully last longer.

Debris burning. There was a discussion about burning before the water system has been turned on. Without water there is no way to extinguish your burn pile to leave and go home, plus if the fire escapes there is no way to extinguish it. If a burn pile escapes it looks bad for the entire GCSHTA. The individual who allows a fire to escape can be cited, fined and be held liable for suppression costs and damages. **The GCSHTA feels that no burning should take place without water in the water system.** Although there was no motion, a show of hands indicated everyone in attendance at today's meeting supported not burning without water in the water system.

Welcome new cabin owners Jake and Wendy Maker Lot 38.

2016 Work Parties. The first work party has already occurred turning the water system on. The next work party is July 23rd. We'll be replacing the cement lids on the water boxes with plastic ones. The cement lids have caused bodily injury to the various digits of the people that turn the water system on and off. We may also be replacing the plastic hose covers. The third work party is to be determined. The fourth work party is turning the water system off.

BOARD NOMINATIONS/ELECTIONS

Mike Brattland (Lot 24), Alan Vella, (Lot 43) and Brad Dillon (Lot 35) are up for election this year. All three agreed to run again with the provision that Brad will no longer be the treasurer. There were no nominations from the floor. It was moved/seconded by Dillon (Lot 25) / McDowall (Lot 40) and carried to elect Mike, Alan and Brad.

NOMINATION FOR PRESIDENT

Bill Dillon (Lot 25) is running for president. There were no nominations from the floor. It was moved/seconded by Browning (Lot 15) / Holmes Lot 33 and carried to reelect Bill as president.

ADJOURNMENT

At 13:00 hours it was moved/seconded by Dillon (Lot 35) / Kiefer (Lot 4) and carried to adjourn the 2016 meeting.

Respectfully submitted by



Bill Holmes, Secretary
Gerle Creek Summer Home Tract