

GERLE CREEK SUMMER HOME TRACT ASSOCIATION (GCSHTA)

MEETING MINUTES

June 24, 2017

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

ELDORADO NATIONAL FOREST FIRE PRESENTATION

At 12:26 Bill Dillon, President of the GCSHTA introduced USFS employee's Rebecca Shufelt, Recreation and Lands Officer and Karl Goodwin, Asst. Recreation Officer/Special Uses Coordinator. Ken Kumpe, Fire Prevention Officer arrived a few minutes late.

Karl Goodwin (karlgoodwin@fs.fed.us, 530-647-5421)

- If you have any additions or remodeling to your cabin, or you just want to look in your file, please contact me between Nov. and May. Between June and Nov. is my field season. If you have an emergency I'll certainly work with you.
- **If you are thinking of selling your cabin please contact me first!**
- **Burn permits are required now** (campfire and dooryard). Suggest you get both if you plan on burning. Before conducting dooryard burning always **call (530) 621-5897 to be sure it is a burn day**. Also, make sure the tract water system is on and working. No pine needles are to be burned in your campfire pit.
- To cut firewood get a permit then check the Project Activity Level (PAL) to be sure you can cut. 530 295-5699.
- Cabin owners can **cut standing live and 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.
- We (USFS) will establish a community burn pile for the cabin owners. I will be conferring with FPO Ken Kumpe and get back to the President of the GCSHTA.

Rebecca Shufelt (rrshufelt@fs.fed.us, 530 647-5432).

- We are working with SMUD while they go through their relicensing requirement with the Federal Energy Relicensing Commission (FERC). You will see improvements to the Gerle Creek Campground, the interpretive trail around the lake and a new connector trail that will tie the interpretive trail with the ADA trail that crosses Gerle Creek and goes to the Angel Creek Day Use area. Access to

- the campground and day use area may be impeded, but not both at the same time.
- Sunset Campground will be closed starting in 2018 for two years while improvements occur.
- We are having many **problems with bears** this season in the various campgrounds and cabins. They will break into vehicles if they smell any food, crumbs of food, gum, lifesavers or any smell-able. They will also go after an ice chest, empty or not, because they recognize the shape of an ice chest, and that it should have food in it. Use bear lockers, if you have access to them, while camping or picnicking.
- We are making a greater effort in outdoor education this year. Check for presentations being given on Saturdays at 3 P.M.
- The Wrights Lake Rd. and the Tie road over to Ice House Rd. will be worked on starting this Fall and go into next season. You should call (530 644-2349 or 647-5400) with our main office before planning to go through that area.

Ken Kumpe (kkumpe@fs.fed.us, 530 647-5459)

- **We are going to inspect the Gerle Creek Tract this year.** Be sure to have a **30' clearance** of all flammable vegetation/pine needles around your cabin and out buildings. Emphasis on removing dead lower branches (ladder fuels) on trees.
- We will be continuing with the third phase of fuel reduction and burning around the cabin tract as crews are available.

The USFS presentation ended at 12:50.

At 12:52 Norma Dillon took a roll call. We had 19 cabin owners present at the meeting and 9 proxies for a total of 28. Bill Dillon determined we had a quorum.

GCSHTA President Bill Dillon made a motion to call the meeting to order. Seconded by Holmes (lot 33).

BOARD NOMINATIONS FOR 2017

Bill Holmes, Bill Boyd and Bill Dillon are running for the Board for two-year terms. We have a Board member, Alan Vella, that was voted on in 2016, but resigned early. That leaves one year remaining. The Board has selected Greg Kiefer to fill the remaining one year of the Vella term.

Sharon Gondola was nominated from the floor.

It was moved/seconded by Colson (lot 34) / Dillon (lot 35) and carried to accept all four candidates (Holmes, Boyd, Bill Dillon and Gondola) for two year terms. After further review it was realized that we had one Board member to many. Sharon Gondola has withdrawn, but we hope she will be interested in 2018.

The Board for 2017/18 is:

Brattland (2016) Nominations, Brad Dillon (2016), Kiefer (2016) Secretary
Holmes (2017) Treasurer, Boyd (2017), Bill Dillon (2017) Vice President

NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT

Ellen Angello was nominated from the floor for the one-year term. It was moved/seconded by Colson (lot 34) / Dillon (lot 35) and carried.

* A special note to **thank Bill Dillon, and Norma, for their 23 years of dedicated service** to the Gerle Creek Summer Home Tract as President and President's Executive Assistant. What an incredible feat!

APPROVAL OF THE 2016 MEETING MINUTES

No questions were asked. It was moved/seconded by Rodgers (Lot 28) / Dillon (Lot 35) and carried to approve 2016 meeting minutes as presented.

APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2017/2018

Bill Holmes, GCSHT Secretary/Treasurer, presented the proposed budget for 2017/2018. Current assessment is \$175. Total ending balance in all accounts is \$28,953.27. It was moved/seconded by Dillon (Lot 35) / Boyd (Lot 21) and carried to accept 2017/2018 budget.

OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

Fire hose – Bill Holmes presented a replacement fire hose type and brand that would be lighter, durable and we would be able to get more hose on the reels. The existing hose that is serviceable would be distributed evenly between among the cabins so each cabin owner could extend the hose on the reels if necessary on a real fire. It was moved/seconded by Charles Holmes (lot 33) / Dillon (lot 35) to purchase the necessary new hose.

2016 Work Parties.

The first work party, to turn on the water system, already occurred.

The second **work party will be Saturday July 15th. 0900**. The purpose will be to do road maintenance and fix a few speed bumps. Meet at lot 25.

The third work party will be to turn off the water system. Date TBD based on weather.

Special Thanks! The security screen door for the pump hose was installed recently by **Bill Boyd**. Secondly, **Dave Gondola** has been maintaining the generator motor. **A huge thank you to both!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Ferrell Gas will be in the week of June 26th. They will fill any tank that is at 60% or below. If you have a problem with your tank contact Ferrell Gas first.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved/seconded by Dillon (Lot 35) / Boyd (Lot 21) and carried to adjourn the 2017 meeting.

Respectfully submitted by



Bill Holmes, Secretary/Treasurer
Gerle Creek Summer Home Tract