

INVERNESS RIDGE ASSN. BOARD MEETING MINUTES

July 11, 2015 at Leah Light's home

Meeting called to order by Susan Fisher, President, at 9:53 a.m.

Present: Myn Adess, Ron Bennett, Sydne Bortel, Helen Chapman, Diane Harley, Michael Ongerth, Leah Light, Tim Stanton.

1. Minutes of May 23 Meeting: Approved.

2. Treasurer report

Previous balance: \$10,306.59

Dues collected \$180.00 plus

\$5 contribution

Total membership as of today: 87 households out of about 120.

Interest earned May and June: \$0.32

Expense: Postage: \$7.84

New balance: \$10,479.07

3. PRERAB

Summer dirt road work: Received authority from county to do grading, ditch clearing, drop box clearing, building some new water bars, and replacing repair piles (anyone can use: on Douglas; between Dover and Lower, on Sunnyside; at Pinecrest; West Robert at Baywood)

Chipping: Will occur later in summer, during sightline clearing and SOD tree removal. Laurie asked, and county said can't include the cost of chipping as part of trim program. Two issues:

- Monitoring size of piles: Laurie and Ed in past. Susan will ask Laurie. Tim and Ron will be backup.
- Cost: Previously up to \$2,000 according to Michael; about 20 people put out piles. Other board members believe the chipping cost attributable to the piles was much less.

Motion: Sydne moves, Tim seconds that we authorize up to \$2,000 to cover chipping cost. Discussion: what if work goes over \$2,000? Will ask for an estimate from the contractor based on the piles before the work is done. **Passed**

Road repair: proposed pothole repairs marked with orange boxes; walk of the road system with Craig Parmeley from county scheduled for July 23; will go to bid, then approval from county. Repairs to be done sometime in August.

Dust amelioration on unpaved roads: PRERAB considering doing again this year on experimental basis on selective areas; needs to be done soon after road grading; takes water and not cheap, but effective according to our first experiment this year. Concern was expressed about the cost and amount of water used for this work in a drought year. **Motion:** Mike moves, Diane seconds that the IRA board support the dust palliative as continuing experiment this year. **Passed.**

Removing duff along the edge of DVD: We enthusiastically endorse PRERAB working on this.

Downed wood on edge of park: Susan has talked with Park Superintendent Cecily Muldoon: Park aware of needing to do more work where Park intersects with private land. Working on it with County Fire Dept. Susan talked with Vegetation Management Program Battalion Chief Christie Neill of the County Fire Dept. who is on it, encourages citizens to call her. Susan will send email from Neill to the board.

Point of information: Monies for PRERAB work comes from our tax assessments. Work has to be approved by county auditor.

Fire escape routes: There are 4: 1) DVD itself; 2) gate at end of Sunnyside; 3) at lower end of Douglas to upper Laurel (drivable and maintained by Burton Eubank, paid by property owners Gamble and Bertelsen); 4) Rip Goelet's road (7 DVD & 7 Douglas)—Christie Neill talked with him and reports that he said it is available—Susan will follow through with Christie regarding that exit; Mike will walk it and see if gate is locked. Non-driving exit: trail at end of Baywood.

Property owners' emails: Christie Neill asked for email contacts for purposes of notifying owners of unimproved land not in compliance with County fire requirements; we agreed that is not appropriate to give out information from our confidential list.

Next PRERAB meeting: July 25, 9:30 at 41 Sunnyside; IRA bd members invited.

4. Website

Laurie and Ed want to stop maintaining the website. Transfer of domain ownership from Laurie to IRA as owner via creating an IRA email ("President@ira.org") with GoDaddy.

Susan and Myn each got bids for redesign of the website, decided on web designer Lisa Thompson, who has worked locally with CLAM and others; fee is \$750 for redesign and training in maintaining. Leah and Diane want to receive training.

Motion: Diane moves, Ron seconds that IRA approve cost of \$750. Passed.

Re PRERAB website: IRA wants to merge PRERAB website with IRA's (including redirect from old PRERAB site to new). Myn will ask Lisa about adding it to scope of work and any extra cost. Myn suggested Helen send deposit of \$400 to Lisa now, as work will begin soon.

Myn requested any images for website; will ask Ed about the fox and other images.

5. Newsletter

Susan will send President's message, including a history of IRA by David, to Diane and she will put out newsletter.

6. Other Business

- Marna Clarke has submitted resignation from the board due to lack of time.
- Green Bridge: no reply to our letter. Sydne talked with Steve Kinsey: Susan will send Steve K. copy of the letter we sent to CalTrans
- IRA trail cleanup of trail between Sunnyside and Drakes View: need volunteer to manage Diane has been liaison with the park, will orient new person. Park is maintaining. Diane will follow up.

7. Next meeting

September 12 at Michael Ongerth's, 41 Sunnyside. Myn will be out of town, need another minute-taker.

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Myn Adess, Secretary