

# PARADISE RANCH ESTATES ROAD ADVISORY BOARD

## Meeting Summary for September 27, 2015

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### Minutes of Meeting September 27, 2015 Corrected December 30, 2015

The Paradise Ranch Estates Road Advisory Board met on September 27, 2015, at the Ongerth residence in Paradise Ranch Estates. The meeting was attended by Board Chair John Levy and members Mike Ongerth, Tamia Marg Anderson, Ed Stetson, Laurie Stetson, Elizabeth McManus and Ken Drexler, Secretary. Bruce Baum also attended.

1. Summer Dirt Road Maintenance. Mike Ongerth reported that he had not heard further from Bob Lewis about when he could begin the work on the dirt roads in PRE which he had been authorized to do. In light of this fact, Mike said he would contact Bob Borello and ask if he could do the work..

2. Vegetation Management. Tamia Marg Anderson reported that the work to re-establish sight lines along the roads and remove trees that had died from sudden oak death which endangered the roads had been awarded to Pacific Slope and was in progress.

Ed and Laurie Stetson emailed the Point Reyes National Seashore to arrange a discussion of the interface between PRE and the Seashore but had yet to receive a response. Tamia reported she had contacted Christian Gilstrap of Davey Resource Group and asked that additional clearing be done below the power wires running from the end of Elizabeth Place down to Sunnyside Drive. She was advised that would be “administratively difficult’ to arrange within P.G. & E.

3. Asphalt Road Patching. Mike said that he had contacted Lunny Grading and Paving to ask if it could do the patching work on Drakes View. He was told that Lunny was busy through September and into October. He did not receive an estimate of when Lunny might be able to do the work. In light of this lack of information, Ken Drexler agreed to contact Craig Parmley at DPW to ask for the names of other contractors who could do the work.

4. PRERAB Finance. Ken provided the final income and expenses figures for PREPRD for the 2014-2015 fiscal year. The total revenue was \$70,075 and the expenses were \$32,238 for a net positive cash flow of \$37,837. As of June 30, 2015, PREPRD had a balance of \$222,671. Ken also noted that expenses of about \$31,000 were pending.

The Board also noted the upcoming expiration of the parcel tax used to fund vegetation management and other work and discussed how its renewal should be coordinated with the need to raise funds to repave Drakes View. Susan Fisher asked if Road Divisions funds could be used to pay the Marin County Fire Department to do work on National Seashore land.

5. Road Names and Signs and Mirrors. John Levy noted that the SLOW sign near the bulletin board had been moved, thanks to Ed Stetson. There was a brief discussion of a graphic road sign be designed showing the Dover and Upper Dover. Also preparation of a sign to 1 Dover similar to the sign on Sunnyside showing the turn onto Behr Lane to 90 Sunnyside was discussed. Finally Mike Ongerth asked if PRERAB should put up poles so traffic mirrors could be mounted on them, to which John responded, "We will work on that."

6. Traffic Counts. The Board thanked Laurie for her work on summarizing and distributing the traffic counts on Drakes View. The latest numbers show that Drakes View has about 187 trips a day going uphill and 197 going downhill. No one knew why there was a difference in the up and down counts.

7. Garbage Truck Impacts. Bruce Baum reported that trucks collecting garbage in PRE were tearing up the road where they turned around on Bucks Point and Sunnyside. Mike responded that we would ask Bob Lewis to install bollards at these two locations to encourage the trucks to stay on the surfaced portion of the roads. Bruce also noted that the garbage company, North Bay paid a franchise fee to Marin County and suggested that it should be dedicated to repairing road problems caused by its trucks. Laurie Stetson said that she would inquire with the County about whether a portion of the fee was available for the road repairs.

8. Drakes View Repaving Project. In discussion, the Board outlined steps needed for repaving Drakes View: 1. Outlining the, i.e. what areas should be paved on Drakes View, side road aprons and side roads, the type of paving to be applied and the preparation needed; 2. Obtaining a preliminary estimate of the cost of the work from Craig Parmley; 3. Arrange funding from the County (i.e. arrange a loan to pay for the work); 4. Begin advising residents about the need for the work and its likely cost; 5. Take the legally required steps to arrange a parcel tax election to pay for the work; 6. Once the election is scheduled, campaign for approval of the measure; 7. Oversee the County's preparation of the documents needed to put the project out to public bid; 8. Support the

County in its supervision of the paving work. Of these steps, Mike said that he would work on the initial scope of work. John and Liz McManus said that they would prepare a chart or plan outlining the entire project.

NEXT MEETING: The members tentatively set its next meeting for Saturday, November 21, 2015, at the Ongerth residence.

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