

PARADISE PARK MASONIC CLUB BULLETIN BOARD

FEBRUARY 2006

Happy New Year and may it be a drier one for all of us.

I read a letter to the Board of Directors recently and I want to begin by quoting from it.

"We attended the annual meeting of the membership of Paradise Park on last Saturday and were totally chagrined at the manifestation of animosity and distrust. Could these have been fifty years?"

Could this be the same Paradise which we have enjoyed since 1931? How shameful and disgusting!!"

I have some interesting thoughts and will return to them in a few moments.

The contract work for storm drains in Section #6 should have begun as of this writing. We have entered into contract with Ifland Engineering for the necessary work on the entire Park water system after a unanimous approval of the Board on the contract. This effort will begin (again) to focus and quantify the work necessary to complete the replacement of the water system in the Park.

In addition, the Park has acquired a new (not used, not refurbished, not rebuilt) backhoe with the trade and sale of old park equipment. This has saved the Park much money and will improve the efficiency of the Park's maintenance staff with less cost and time spent on repair and maintenance of the vehicles and more time spent on projects throughout the Park.

So back to the letter from a member. The interesting part of the letter to me was that it was written in July of 1972! While we think that much has changed in the Park has it really? I would like to think that it has changed somewhat in that your Board has become more open to the membership; the work of the Board now is vested in the committees which have been created to provide their expertise to the Board itself. Finally since 1972 we have created many new services for the members with our Emergency Response team, our

traffic control team, and our CERT members. We have a vital Historical Committee which reminds of our heritage and heritage of our Park. We have a Long Range Planning committee which is looking towards our future. And all of this because so many of you volunteer to serve, work and contribute to the betterment of the park. Please keep up the good work.

Let me conclude with another quote from the 1972 letter..."**We sincerely hope that the Board (and members) will elicit trust, friendship and cooperation, so that the spirit of Brotherhood may again prevail.**"

ACTIVE COMMITTEES

If you wish to be on any of these committees, please contact Frank Haswell.

<u>COMMITTEE</u>	<u>CHAIRPERSON</u>
Assessment Study	Malcolm Kirby
Budget	Pat Herzog
Building	Bill Hardwick
By-Laws	Bill Hardwick
Dam	Malcolm Kirby
Election	Lois Hardy
Emergency Response Team	Greg Laskey
Fire & Medical	Greg Laskey
Traffic Control	Ray Hoffman
Communication	Don Moore
VIP's	Lisa Leong
CERT's & Training	Ted Keller
Historical	Barry Brown
Industrial Safety	Pat Herzog
Long Range Planning	Pat McDonald
Orientation	Anna Lind
Past Presidents	TBD
Recreation	Bill Eckard
Staking	Fred Dunn-Ruiz
Streambed Maintenance	Bill Gibson
Tree	Steve Taylor
Water/Roads	George Saam

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE BOARD

NEW TRACTOR: PPMC has purchased a tractor at a cost of \$43,413.57. The cost has been offset by the selling of some of our older equipment. The chipper and F600 Ford were sold for \$17,500.00. When our new tractor is delivered we will trade in the old blue tractor for \$13,000.00. Total out of pocket cost will be \$12,913.57.

WATER PROJECT BID: PPMC has entered into a contract with Ifland Engineering for water project drawings. The cost is divided into two phases. The first phase is a fixed cost of \$5,500.00 and consists of fact-finding, i.e. building department, city water, city fire department, county fire department and PPMC on site calculations. Phase two is actually making the water project drawings and the estimated cost is \$15,000.00.

OPEN BOARD MEETINGS: The Board would like to remind the Membership that the open Board Meetings are not open forums. Members are invited to attend, but do not have the right to speak unless they are on the agenda or the Board asks for input. Members may request an item be included on the agenda, however some items are not appropriate for the open session. Agendas are determined by the Board on the Wednesday prior to the Saturday prior to the meeting date. All submissions are due the day before that.

WHAT'S THE REAL FACT: The Board would like to warn readers that all that is said or printed is not true. Some members believe that because a member said it at a Board meeting or since it was given to them in writing that it is a fact or a Board policy. Members are entitled to express their opinions, but that is all they are.

DUES RECEIPT DUE: Don't forget that in order to be a Member in good standing, you must submit a copy of your Lodge or Chapter dues receipt to the Office before April 1st each year, **even if you are a Life or 50-year Member**. This is true for Associates and Alternate Associates as well as members. You can tell if you are up to date by looking at the mailing label on the Bulletin. The bottom line says **2006 Dues Card? M A AA**. The **M** is for Member, **A** for Associate and **AA** for Alternate Associate. If a **Y** follows the M, A or AA, then that dues receipt is in. If it is blank, then that receipt has not been received.

PROPERTY TAXES: Each Member's share of the common PPMC property tax for 2005 filing is \$121.52.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Our financial picture continues to improve. Our net income through December 31, 2005 is \$83,991. Deducting the Initiation Fund Income, which goes into a capital improvement reserve account, we are still in a net income of \$23,991. We welcomed 12 new members this fiscal year and \$60,000 has been added to our capital improvement reserve savings account.

THE MALCOLM KIRBY REPORT was sent by Member Kirby to all Members without the BOD's knowledge. The BOD was given the report just prior to the opening of the Town Hall Meeting, December 10th. This was not a BOD authorized report.

IN MEMORIAM

Norman Brown, 12/17/05

Bea Gloeckler, 12/21/05

Hashem Naraghi, 1/17/06

MANAGERS REPORT:

In December Paradise Park Masonic Club was once again flooded due to steady rain.

I want to give a special thanks to Lloyd Ames who at my request coordinated the CERTS team. I want to thank the many volunteers who worked tirelessly to make sure that all houses along the river were vacated, and to those who helped sandbag and move furniture.

I would like to thank Shirley Moore who manned our radio system and did a GREAT JOB.

There is no way to thank each individual for the efforts. You know who you are and I thank you.

During our flooding the back gate malfunctioned and is still not working due to parts needed. The parts are ordered, but it will be several days before they are available and are installed.

ABC news did film St. Bernard in Section Six which may help for FEMA assisted loans, but this is no guarantee.

The worse damage was done on St. Bernard, which is the low end of the Park.

New signs are made thanks to Eduardo, stating Exit Via Bridge should water or trees close Hwy 9 again, which happened on Dec.30th & 31st. Other signs are being made for placement when our next emergency occurs.

During the E.R.T. meeting on 1/14/06, I learned that with Hwy 9 closed in both directions, Sections 1, 2, 3 & 6 had no fire protection except for with our truck, since the City trucks can not cross the bridge. I want each of you to stop and think about this.

Our only exit was via the bridge. What if Ocean St. Extension was also closed due to slides or trees.

We need to be prepared in the future. I am asking Ted Keller to have the PPMC ERT and CERT committees draw up a plan to be presented to you at the February meeting. They should include the expenditures necessary to implement it

Manager, Bob;Koger

BILL UBER RETIRES AS ALMONER

Bill Uber quietly and effectively worked as the Almoner for Paradise Park Masonic Club since the Men's Club created the position in 2001. Many members and their families have benefited from our Member generosity. Bill disbursed over \$10,000 that Members contributed through various means. Some send a check, some drop their spare cash "in the basket" at events such as pot-lucks, Men's Club, or through sharing the proceeds of the "Pot of Gold" at Potlucks and Bingo. Remember the generosity of "The Quilters" who raffle their beautiful PPMC theme quilt each year. Bill also established a close liaison with

Masonic Outreach Services who help assure that Masons and their families are supported in times of need. We are all better off because of Bill's efforts. Bill, we thank you very much for time and compassion.

Bill has chosen to take a break and the Almoner is now Chuck Buchanan. If you need some help, or an ear to help solve a problem, call Chuck at 831-471-2314.

The Almoner's Fund is always confidential. The giver never knows who receives the benefits and the receiver never knows who provided them. In the end, we all benefit. It's what Masons do.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

VANDALISM: There have been several incidents of punctured tires on Temple Lane in the past few weeks. The Sheriff's Department is investigating. If you have seen anything that might help apprehend the perpetrators, please contact the office. Thank you for your help. Manager, *Bob Koger*

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE is looking for input. The committee is gathering questions for a survey to get input from the membership at large. If you have any suggestions for appropriate questions you would like to see included in the survey, please call or e-mail them to Pat McDonald at pjm47@sbcglobal.net or 423-2811.

THANKS TO BARRY BROWN: Barry refurbished the sound system in the Social Hall. He was able to get a new amplifier donated to the Park and re-organized all the wiring. Thank you, Barry.

THANKS TO ALL VOLUNTEERS who helped out on January 1, 2006 during our time of flooding. Many persons stepped forward and help neighbors and the Park in general. Special thanks go to Lloyd Ames who was the Incident Commander, Shirley Moore who manned the base radio in the Office and to Virginia Peterson who donated sandwiches for the persons displaced and the volunteers.

NEW HOUSEHOLD BATTERY LAW: The California law, which takes effect on February 9, 2006, prohibits the disposal of batteries in household trash; they must be taken to a household hazardous waste facility.

BATTERY DISPOSAL PLAN: There will be a container in the office lobby where you can dispose of your household batteries. The crew will take them to the household hazardous waste facility.

MORE IMPORTANT INFORMATION

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

WILL YOU BE PREPARED FOR THE NEXT FLOOD?

New volunteers are needed for the Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) in the areas of First Aid, Fire, Traffic and Communications. Trainings for new CERT volunteers will be held in the near future. Please sign –up at the office.

The Paradise Park CERT program is the best prepared in Santa Cruz County and has been touted by the CERT state leaders as an exemplary program. Why don't you join in and make it even better? **PLEASE SIGN –UP AT THE OFFICE.**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICE STAFF

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ALARM BLASTS AND WHAT THEY MEAN

A complete listing of the EMERGENCY SIGNALS can be found at the rear of your PPMC Membership Roster (phone directory). Below is a summary.

The alarm for an **INDIVIDUAL SECTION EMERGENCY** is sounded as a long (5-second) blast followed by a series of short (3-second) blasts. The number of 3-second blasts indicates the section.

The alarm for a **GENERAL EMERGENCY** is sounded as 5-second blast followed by a 15-second blast. In case of a General Emergency, go to the social Hall for further instructions.

The alarm for an **IMMEDIATE EVACUATION** is sounded as a 5-second blast followed by the (3) 15-second blasts. In this case, all persons are asked to exit the Park as soon as possible.

The Siren is tested each Board Meeting Saturday at 1:00 pm. If you are in the Park and do not hear the siren, please report it to the Office.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2006

MEETING DATES

Executive Session 7:30 am
OPEN MEETING 9:00 AM

02/18/06

03/18/06

04/15/06

05/20/06

06/17/06

07/01/06 ANNUAL MEETING 7:00 PM



**Men's
Club**

**Saturday,
Feb. 11, 2006**

5:00 PM - Appetizers

6:00 PM - Dinner

Cost: \$10.00

for Men

All Ladies of Paradise Park

Are Invited Free

**Come and enjoy a Great
Dinner and Fellowship**

Furnished by the Men's Club

R.S.V.P. by Monday, Feb. 6th

Sign Up List at Office or Call

Fred Dunn-Ruiz - 426-6472

UP COMING EVENTS

KNITTIN' KITTENS LADIES' CANASTA

First Monday Each Month
Social Hall, 11:30 A.M.

Monday, February 6, 2006*
Monday, March 6, 2006

Sponsored by Pat Rundell

MASONIC OUTREACH

THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH
SMALL SOCIAL HALL, 10:00 AM. – NOON

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2006

THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2006

COME MEET THE REPRESENTATIVE
MARY JANE HODGES

TUESDAY COFFEE

EVERY TUESDAY
SMALL SOCIAL HALL, 9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

OPEN TO EVERYONE IN PPMC
COME JOIN THE FELLOWSHIP

REGULAR POTLUCKS

THIRD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH
NO POTLUCK IN FEBRUARY
DUE TO VALENTINE'S DINNER ON FEB. 11

NEXT POTLUCK
SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2006
AT SOCIAL HALL @ 5:30 PM

HOSTS NEEDED FOR MAY AND JUNE
CONTACT LOIS HARDY @ 426-3172

BINGO

THIRD WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH
SOCIAL HALL, 6:30 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2006
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2006

VALENTINE DINNER

SPONSORED BY
PPMC MEN'S CLUB
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2006
AT SOCIAL HALL

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED
SIGN-UP AT OFFICE

BEFORE
FEBRUARY 6, 2006

SEE FLYER ELSEWHERE IN BULLETIN

MEN'S CLUB

FIRST WEDNESDAY EACH MONTH
SMALL SOCIAL HALL, 11:30 A.M.

NO MEETING IN FEBRUARY
DUE TO VALENTINE'S DINNER
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2006

SEE FLYER ELSEWHERE IN THIS BULLETIN

NEXT MEETING MARCH 1, 2006

EMERGENCY SIREN TESTS

AT 1:00 P.M.

ON BOARD MEETING SATURDAYS

MEMORIAL FUND COMMITTEE

WE WELCOME SUGGESTIONS FOR MEMORIALS
DONATIONS ACCEPTED AT THE PARK OFFICE
MAKE CHECKS TO MEMORIAL FUND.

WILMA VINSON, PHYLLIS GREEN,
BETTY GLADDING AND ALDA HOUCHIN

POTLUCK REPORT

The Saturday Potluck January 21, 2006 was attended by about 30 of us quality people of many ages, from quite young to well lived. We also had quality hosts in Doris Beaumont and Lee Heathorn (who couldn't attend, but left us with delightful pink camellia & floating candle table decorations & LOTS of ham, potato casserole, rice casserole, nuts, wine, cheese, salami, brownies!). Several of us had/have birthdays & anniversaries this month, which we happily applauded. Pat Rundell's Pot O'Gold contributed \$17 to the Almoner's Fund & to Richard Sturgeon's pocket. Lots of lips flapped in turns with tablemates, lots of yummy food was enjoyed, everyone helped clean up, & we all went back home well filled, physically & emotionally.

PARADISE PARK CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>MEMBER/Chair</u>
February 2006			
1-Wed.	NO Men's Club		F. Dunn-Ruiz
4-Sat.	Tree Committee 10-12 am	Conference Room	S. Taylor
6-Mon.	Knittin' Kittens 11:30 am - 4:30 pm	Small Social Hall	P. Rundell
7-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	C. Morgan
11-Sat.	Men's Club Valentines Day Dinner - 5 social; 6 dine	Large Social Hall	F. Dunn-Ruiz
13-Mon.	Long Range Planning Cmt. 6:00 pm	Small Social Hall	P. McDonald
14-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	C. Morgan
15-Wed.	Bingo 6:30pm	Large Social Hall	Y. & M. Jones
16-Thu.	Masonic Outreach 10am	Small Social Hall	Masonic Home/C.Buchanan
18-Sat.	BOD Open Meeting 9am	Small Social Hall	F. Haswell
18-Sat.	Recreation/Activities Cmt. Mtg. 3pm	Small Social Hall	B. Eckard
18-Sat.	Potluck 5:30 pm - Cancelled	Large Social Hall	Hosts Needed
21-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	C. Morgan
28-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	C. Morgan
March 2006			
1-Wed.	Men's Club - 11:30am	Small Social Hall	F. Dunn-Ruiz
4-Sat.	Tree Committee 10-12 am	Conference Room	S. Taylor
6-Mon.	Knittin' Kittens 11:30 - 4:30	Small Social Hall	P. Rundell
7-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	???
14-Tue.	Coffee 9-11am	Small Social Hall	???
15-Wed.	Bingo 6:30-8:00pm	Large Social Hall	Y. & M. Jones
16-Thu.	Masonic Outreach, 10am-12pm	Small Social Hall	Masonic Home/C.Buchanan
18-Sat.	BOD Open Meeting 9am	Small Social Hall	F. Haswell
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This photograph, taken in August 1890, shows three buildings. The house in the center was the first home of **Bernard Peyton**, second Superintendent of the **California Powder Works (CPW)**, his wife **Estelle**, and their four children; their fifth child was born in one of the upstairs bedrooms in 1873. In 1875, when the Peytons moved up to the second building of interest in the photograph, the white mansion barely discernible high on the bluff across the river, their old home became the first **CPW Office**. According to the hand-drawn 1863 map to the side, this office was located on the road leading to Santa Cruz which is now **PPMC's Exit Road**. Note the location of the



Superintendent's House on the map; this is now our **PPMC Office**. The third building in view is the two-story white house lying behind and to the right of the **CPW Office**. This was the **CPW Boarding House** providing rooms and meals for **CPW** male employees.

Sarah Ann Tufts became its landlady in the 1880's when **Bernard Peyton** gave her the job and \$500 to help her keep her family together after her husband **Rufus** had been killed in a Powder Mill explosion. In a time when few could afford insurance and there was little or no financial support except from family in times of trouble, **Peyton's** generosity showed a rare concern for his employees and their families.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE EIGHT MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 2005

	Spent thru Dec	Budg thru Dec	Under(+)/Over(-) Budget thru Dec	Annual Budget
Income:				
Member Assessments	\$302,723	264833		\$454,000
Member Dues and Transfer Fees	\$30,817	21550		\$43,100
Init.Fee/ Fin Chg/Pena/ Use Fee	\$64,585	3792		\$6,500
Bank Interest	\$6,748	933		\$1,600
Misc Income, Member Serv, Donations	\$5,327	1458		\$2,500
AT&T Comcast (7% Return)	\$3,593	3967		\$6,800
TOTAL INCOME	\$413,793	300125	\$113,668	\$514,500
Employee Expense:				
Employee Salaries & Bonus/Raise (\$7000)	\$94,455	90300		\$154,800
Employee Benefits	\$17,682	19250		\$33,000
Employer Federal/State Taxes	\$8,303	8750		\$15,000
Worker's Compensaton	\$3,686	8750		\$15,000
Total Employee Expense	\$124,126	127050	\$2,924	\$217,800
Insurance:				
General Business	\$26,931	26250		\$45,000
Total Insurance Expense	\$26,931	26250	-\$681	\$45,000
General Office Expense:				
Supplies/Permits/Gen.Exp.	\$8,145	3500		\$6,000
Postage and Communications	\$5,308	4958		\$8,500
Utilities (Electricity, propane)	\$8,049	9042		\$15,500
Total General Office Expense	\$21,502	17500	-\$4,002	\$30,000
Member Service Expense:				
Water	\$61,523	39083		\$67,000
Security/Safety	\$2,368	875		\$1,500
Green Waste/Dump Fees	\$3,311	4667		\$8,000
Bulletin Printing/Postage	\$2,434	2917		\$5,000
Trash Removal	\$17,664	20417		\$35,000
Recreational Activities	\$2,940	1750		\$3,000
Total Member Service Expense	\$90,240	69708	-\$20,532	\$119,500
Tax Expenses:				
PPMC Co Prop Tax	\$31,536	27417		\$47,000
State and Federal Taxes/Fees	\$374	1196		\$2,050
Total Tax Expense	\$31,910	28613	-\$3,298	\$49,050
Repair & Maintenance Expense				
Park R&M Exp (water, trees, roads,tools)	\$12,322	10500		\$18,000
Vehicle Expense (gas, oil, maint)	\$5,842	6417		\$11,000
Building R & M Expense	\$7,460	3500		\$6,000
Equip Rentals, R & M Expense, Fire Equip	\$131	2042		\$3,500
Total Repair & Maint Expense	\$25,755	22458	-\$3,297	\$38,500
Other Operating Expenses:				
Accounting/Tax Preparation/Audit	\$5,000	1458		\$5,000
Legal	\$3,735	4375		\$7,500
Historical Committee	\$172	350		\$600
Other Miscellaneous Expense	\$431	729		\$1,250
Total Other Operating Expense	\$9,338	8371	-\$968	\$14,350
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$329,802	299950	-\$29,852	\$514,200
Net Income = Income - Expense	\$83,991	175	\$83,816	
Checking/Savings Accounts	\$1,106,058		SBA Loan 4%, 2028	\$307,050

- - LETTERS FROM THE MEMBERSHIP - -

Your Letters From the Membership and articles of interest to the membership are welcomed for publication. Deadline for submitting articles is the Monday following the Board meeting. Submit articles to F. Dunn-Ruiz, 606 Paradise Park or dunnruiz@hotmail.com in Microsoft Word format. Letters to the Editor must be limited to 150 words (longer letters are subject to cutting), contain no negative reference to individuals and be accurate regarding legal or procedural issues – omitting hearsay and gossip.

Hope you all enjoyed looking at the “lit up” bridge this holiday season. Thanks to Brother Stiefelmaier for the many extra lights we needed. Great big thanks to Bob Cranke, Mike Ostrander, Pat McDonald and her daughter for decorating... cold and rainy...but we got it done. I am sure it helped brighten your Christmas and the New Year. *Lee Corum, Sect. 4*

We would like to thank all of you who donated items so generously for our Hurricane Relief Project to Grand Bahama Island. Our team was able to ship over 8,000 pounds of much-needed food, clothing, and household supplies which will be awaiting distribution upon our arrival in February, 2006. Having suffered the ravages of all three recent major hurricanes (Katrina, Rita, AND Wilma), your contributions will be met with much gratitude by the Bahamian people. God bless you all. *Steve and Barbara Taylor*

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I wish to express appreciation for the clear and strong message from Lynn Raadik that was published in the last Bulletin, concerning the epidemic of County violation complaints. I have personally been the brunt of two such complaints. In both cases the allegations were unwarranted---with permits already on file at the County, and in the Park Office. The County considers it abuse of the system; The Park might consider it a violation of the Fraternal Pledge.

Lynn Raadik has long established roots here and is attempting to protect the continuity and longevity of Paradise Park. I have recently put down roots here and am heavily invested in the health and well-being of the community. I whole-heartedly join with Lynn's efforts to appeal to the Membership to stop this madness and put an end to all the wars in our own backyards.

For Godsake and the sake of Paradise Park. Sincerely. *Tripura Anand* 368 Eastern Star Rd

On December 21st, our mother and friend died at the Masonic Home in Union City. Some knew her as Bea Crogan and some as Bea Gloeckler. Whichever the case, she was simply “Bea” to those of us who knew her. During her 34 years in Paradise Park, her natural inclination to pull communities together led her to create the Annual Section Parties and Flea Market. She was a Navy Lt. nurse during WWII and afterwards continued as an R.N. for over 40 years. This experience inspired her to participate on the first emergency response team for the Park. Bea will be missed by many, but her spirit will live on in the lives she touched. We want to thank those of you who sent your thoughts of sympathy and condolence. Plans for a memorial are underway.

Cyndy Crogan

At the December 10th Town Hall meeting, individuals passed out written material to those in attendance. Since the BOD had only received copies just prior to the meeting, they were unaware of its content and thus were not able to make comment on it. This information was subsequently distributed by mail to some Members.

The authors of this document speak of problems associated with a lack of permits for work done in Sections 1 and 2 and yet have consistently stated both to PPMC and Santa Cruz County that no permits were necessary for the rest of the project. This document contains factual inaccuracies and thinly veiled accusations.

We are required by the County to have permits to complete the project. The requirement for permits has nothing to do with what was done in the past. The persistent belief that PPMC did not need permits has caused unnecessary delays and animosity between Park Members as well as between PPMC and the County Planning Department. We believe that the BOD is approaching the project appropriately and is moving in a positive direction.

Though well meant, this document can only create more dissention among the Membership. It is hoped that with the Water Project and all future projects, Members will put aside personal differences for the betterment of PPMC.

Barbara Monti, Diana & Jim Cook, Doug Hiplsey

Board of Directors Draft Minutes
01/21/06

1.0 ROLL CALL at 9:10 am.

- (a) Invocation was led by Bill Lind
- (b) Consideration of Late Additions to the Agenda
- (c) Report from Executive Session(s): The Board renewed Manager Bob Koger's Manager contract..
- (d) John Mancini suggested that there be a change in rules for posting items on the agenda. Discussion followed between BOD President & Mancini. BOD President stated that the Board makes the final determination of what is on the agenda.

2.0 CONSENT ITEMS

- (a) Acceptance of Minutes, November 19, 2005, no December open meeting. Approved.
- (b) Financial Report – November, December 2005. Approved
- (c) Executive Session Report – November 19 & December 10, 2005. Approved.
- (d) Members Before the Board – approved in afternoon session.
 - 1. 2:30 Lois Laidlaw, purchasing from Larry Coburn @ 175 St. Bernard Street.
- (e) Associate Members Before the Board - approved in afternoon session.
 - 1. 8:00 Alan John Mac, to be Associate to Laura Pevenage @ 670 St. Augustine Avenue.
 - 2. 1:00 John Draper Perry, to be Associate to John E. Perry, Jr. @ 254 Keystone Way.
 - 3. 1:15 Janice Davison, to be Associate to Ernest J. Nidick @ 550 Crescent Lane.
 - 4. 1:30 Mary Baldridge, to be Associate to Dorothy L. Wells @ 103 Keystone Way.
 - 5. 1:45 Ellen Olsen, to be Associate to Perry Olsen @ 420 Joppa Street.
 - 6. 2:00 Gary Newton, to be Associate to Richard T. Sibley @ 280 Keystone Way.
- (f) Alternate Associate Members Before the Board
 - 1. none

3.0 MANAGER'S REPORT

- (a) Monthly Report
- (b) December 31, 2005, PPMC flooded; special thanks to Lloyd Ames & many volunteers who worked tirelessly to help; Shirley Moore for running radio system; so many helped, super job. ABC News filmed at the Park, which may help with FEMA loans. The worst damage was to 8 homes on St. Bernard Street, plus to others in Section 4. New signs for traffic direction are being made by Eduardo. With Hwy 9 closed in both directions for various times, Sections 1,2,3, & 6 had no fire protection from the City of Santa Cruz., only Company 38.. Laskey and others believe PPMC needs the Social Hall water tank hooked up for fire suppression use.. Ted Keller intends to provide by next meeting an evacuation plan.
- (c) BOD Lind added that all gas in both fire trucks and gas cans were empty.. Bob Koger is to buy locking gas caps; per Bob already done. The crew will build a lockable cage for the gas cans.
- (d) Frank asked Fred Dunn-Ruiz about the history of the water tank. His recollection is that it was first approved to be potable. It was later shown to be not necessary for fire suppression, & prohibitively expensive to manage potable water. Discussion ensued. Herzog suggested that, this could be researched in the official Board minutes. John Mancini will research past minutes & provide the pertinent section to Bill Lind.
- (e) Locks on all the file cabinets in the Office have been reinstated.

4.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- (a) Committee Reports
 - 1. Assessment – Ad Hoc – Malcolm Kirby; no report.
 - 2. Building – Bill Hardwick; not present.
 - a. Alleged Building, Zoning or Environmental Code Violation
 - 1. M. Shoquist, shed, deck, or jacuzzi without permit @ 472 York Avenue.
 - 2. P. McDonald, re-roof, remodel without permit @ 632 St. Augustine Avenue.
 - b. Amendment to Riparian Exception & Variance permit, N. Nordstrom @ 408 Keystone Way.
 - c. B. Uber, movement of pizza oven @ 395 Hiram Road. Bill Uber stated he wants to move his pizza oven & extend deck
 - d. Member recently observed a member covering more of the allotment with cement; does the Manager have the authority to stop such activity in process? Yes. There was some discussion of building plans & manager's authority. Member asked the Board about confidentiality of member records; does confidentiality also apply to a member's plans, as applied to neighbors seeing plans, permits, etc.? The Board considers this area to be a public record.
 - 3. Bylaws – Bill Hardwick; not present. Bob Morgan spoke about their latest committee meeting; (1) Rules & Procedures to be voted on at next election; the question arose of whose responsibility is it was to bring all the

- changes together? In what format? (2) What the committee might do as to harmony in Park. Re: communication level improvement, the BOD might look at the timeliness of interaction with members; (3) Holding of open Board meetings and limitations of subjects discussed in closed sessions; there is a level of concern of some members, that the business of the Park should be held within hearing of the members; closed items should be clearly identified. The committee needs further guidance on No. 1, if it is to be involved.
4. Dam – Malcolm Kirby; not present.
 5. Emergency Response Implementation Team
 - a. Community Safety, VIP – Lisa Leong; not present.
 - b. Emergency Fire Brigade – Greg Laskey; Dec. 31st we had a minor disaster of river flooding. The Office was opened as a communication center; the Social Hall was opened for an evacuation center. The volunteers tried to keep damage to a minimum. A meeting was held on January 14th, to review the disaster action & learn from its pro's & con's. The area CERT team leader Chief Terpstra spoke & gave CERT team members an oath, for insurance purposes. We have Worker's Comp coverage for 3 unnamed people. The Manager & Crew are covered by PPMC. BOD President asked when this training would take place? If a waiver is signed, training will take place. BOD President asks that training on how to use the fire equipment be scheduled within this next month. Laskey is to give Bob Koger a list of hoses, equipment, etc. needed. Evacuation routes are needed & evacuation route signs permanently installed. Emergency supplies, are all needed. The standard of household emergency supplies needed has recently changed from 72 hours' supplies per person/pet to 7 days' supplies per person/pet. Rolling coolers are an excellent storage container for personal supplies. Laskey has purchased a new digital Blood Pressure cuff for \$40 which gives a readout in 30 seconds. Laskey asked that the Board approve funds for one blood pressure cuff for each of the 6 Go Bags.
 - c. 911 Emergency Response Team – Diana & Jim Cook asked if there is a PPMC policy barring news media from PPMC during an emergency such as the recent flood?
 - d. Traffic Control – Ray Hoffman; During the emergency the road barriers were all locked under the Social Hall. On weekends, the Office is closed; keys are needed for access to various places. We need more directional signs (Bob reported they are being made now); we were called out 3 different times this last month. The 911 system used the address 100 Keystone Way as their directional notation, even for happenings on Highway 9. Ray & Charlotte Hoffman did extra service, in the rain. Don Moore reported that Lloyd Ames stated that the flood experience showed that our communication system paid for itself that day. BOD Lind read an email of thanks for support from Judy Gloeckler regarding a 911 call out, responded to by several of our responders.
 - e. CERT – Ted Keller; Jeff Terpstra, Aptos/La Selva Battalion Chief & Deputy County Clerk, swore in 16 CERT members. Ted has forms to be signed for those who weren't at the meeting, although they will have to go through the swearing in at another time. Ted wants to train even more PPMC people in CERT. There is a sign-up sheet at the Office counter. Don Moore could use help, by someone who is trained on radio systems. Backup members are needed for all functions in our emergency system. PPMC CERT has had state mention as a prime example of a CERT-trained community. Joanne Nelson acknowledged Virginia Peterson for bringing to the Social Hall/Office a huge supply of sandwiches, etc. to the evacuees (there were none, so the supplies went to the volunteers). Joanne will write letter of thanks to her.
 6. Historical – Barry Brown; no report.
 7. Insurance; Pat Herzog will research insurance regarding Co. 38. Herzog will ask our insurance agent if training can take place without being covered by insurance.
 8. Long Range Planning – For Pat McDonald; Joanne Nelson reported that this committee is developing a survey. They are contacting the committee chairs for concerns/questions. They want to write a mission statement. The next meeting is 6pm on the 2nd Monday of February, in the Small Social Hall. Also LRP is working on implementing a long range plan for replacement costs on rolling stock, etc. Diana Cook purchased a software program to assist this mission. Fred Dunn-Ruiz and Marilyn Wells volunteered to learn the software program. The committee received nothing by way of continuing records from the previous chair.
 9. Orientation – Anna Lind; at least four were present for orientation this morning.
 10. Recreation – Bill Eckard; Bill not present due to attendance at a funeral. Last month's meeting was not held, due to the town hall meeting on the water system. The committee has received no questions, suggestions, etc. offered by any member, and would welcome new ideas, new sponsors of events, etc. The monthly potluck will be held in Social Hall tonight, hosted by Lee Heathorn and Doris Beaumont. Lois Hardy has suggested that no potluck be held in February, since she has no host volunteer, and the Men's Club is having a Valentine Dinner on February 11th at 5:00.

11. Safety, Industrial –Herzog; no activity due to focus currently being on the budget; the next meeting is to be scheduled in February.
 12. Staking – Fred Dunn-Ruiz
 - a. Current Staking Log
 - b. 12/20/05 notification of staking of 175 St. Bernard Street;
 - c. G. Lenz email request for postponement of decision on 175 St. Bernard Street.
 - d. L. Coburn selling to L. Laidlaw @ 175 St. Bernard Street. Decision postponed due to neighbor request.
 - e. M. Shoquist @ 472 York Street; decision postponed; Bill Lind has not yet spoken with Marshall Shoquist.
 - f. Some discussion was held on a question regarding lot lines being acknowledged by the BOD; the discussion included a difference of opinion of which agency held precedence, the BOD or the County Assessor’s Office. Pat Herzog contributed some clarifying information.
 13. Streambed Maintenance – S. Glushkoff is to come to view the river to see if we can have clearance work done in spring/summer.
 14. Trees – Steve Taylor; two submissions, which came after the committee’s first Saturday meeting, so will be considered at their meeting next month.
 - a. Current Tree Log
 15. Water/Roads – George Saam
 - a. Town Hall Meeting Minutes 12/10/05
 - b. Ifland Bid on Water Distribution System Engineering Design. BOD Lind reported that the 1st bid from Bowman-Williams was for \$124K. A second bid, from Ifland, phase 1 for \$5,500, includes base mapping & system layout, paid up front. Phase 2 is for \$15,000 estimated, which includes designs of the new water system, retrofitting in Sections 1 & 2 of hydrant locations, phased construction from Section 6 working the way through the rest of the Park, the extension from the Powder House to Washington Way, the residence connections, the permit application process, ect. Lind moved we pay the \$5,500 to get this started. If we are certain to meet county requirements, then okay. The discrepancy in bids causes some concerns. Lind talked twice to Bowman-Williams and concluded that they probably overbid just to not be involved. Could this include a water line down from Graham Hill for an alternate line? Yes. Lind invited those who asked questions to look at proposals. The original question was passed. Lind will deliver the signed contract to Ifland on Monday. Estimated start time will be in about 3-4 weeks. The county permits will take at least 6 weeks, etc.
- (b) Treasurer’s Report; The question was asked if a letter has been sent to the previous water construction company to retrieve the \$9000 Move In money? BOD President responded that no letter has been sent as it may be included in future bidding.
1. Financial report from BOD Lind: (1) subterranean termites were in the Office, which the tenting didn’t include. 3 bids were acquired for underground treatment. The \$2,195 bid was accepted, & the work is done. (2) We have purchased new tractor for \$43,413; To help with costs of the new tractor, the chipper & some other never-used equipment was sold for \$17,500. Also we will receive \$13,000 for the blue tractor, which transaction will not happen until we receive the new tractor. With all of the above, will be out of pocket \$12,913 for the new tractor.

5.0 NEW BUSINESS

- (a) Emergency Disaster Sheltering, J. Mancini 1/11/06 agenda request. John suggested a self-sufficient Social Hall as an emergency shelter, with potable water service, independent of the PPMC water system, a propane generator power system, independent of the PPMC electrical system. He also suggested we develop a list of homes in addition to his that could be available to act as emergency shelters. Joanne Nelson forwarded this idea to Pat McDonald for Long Range Planning. Figures for 2 propane generators for the Social Hall and the Office are to be re-supplied to Bob Koger by Don Moore. Greg Laskey & John Mancini offered to supply hard costs for potable water at the Social Hall.

6.0 DISCUSSION

7.0 INFORMATION

- (a-e) none
- (f) Members Pending (see attached listing).
- (g) Incident Report 12/12/05, punctured tire, Section 3.
- (h) Incident Report 12/26/05, dog attack on back road.
- (i) Incident Report 12/28/05, punctured tire, Section 3.
- (j) Incident Report 12/31/05, aggressive neighbor behavior, Section 3.

8.0 CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) 12/13/05 received letter to BOD from member re: neighbor interactions, Section 3.
- (b) 1/7/06 letter to member from President re: installation of propane tank, Section 1.
- (c) 1/9/06 letter to member from Manager re: neighbor permission to relocate equipment, Section 2.
- (d) 1/9/06 letter to member from Manager re: neighbor permission to relocate equipment, Section 2.
- (e) 1/9/06 letter to member from Manager re: neighbor permission to relocate equipment, Section 2.
- (f) 1/11/06 letter to member from President re: dog biting incident, back road.
- (g) 1/11/06 letter to member from President re: record research of allotment measurements, Section 1.
- (h) 1/11/06 letter to member from President re: granddaughters & pets, Section 3.
- (i) 1/11/06 letter to member from President re: petition publication times.
- (j) 1/11/06 letter to member from President re: assessment calculations, Section 1.
- (k) 1/11/06 letter to member from President re: water system.
- (l) 1/11/06 letter to member from President re: staking parameters, Section 1.

9.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION – PART 1, 8:00 am

See attached Agenda

EXECUTIVE SESSION – PART 2, as needed.

10.0 ADJOURNMENT 11:58 am

DRAFT EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING, Jan. 21, 2006

Present: Frank Haswell, BOD President; Bill Lind; Alan Melikian; Joanne Nelson Absent: Bill Eckard

1. 8:00--BOD met with Alan John Mac (Lucky) for approval of Associate to Laura Pevenage. Lucky is the husband to Member Lisa Mac. Board approved the Membership.
2. BOD after a brief discussion, renewed Manager Bob Koger's contract for another year. BOD decided that BOD Bill Lind would be the day-to-day point person for Manager with BOD President continuing to have weekly conversations on the over-all operations of the park. Manager requested May 8th – thru May 22nd for vacation this year. BOD approved.
3. BOD determined that family members of an adjacent allotment Member should be given the opportunity to view building/improvement plans.

Adjourned to Open Meeting at 9:00 a.m.. Reconvened Executive at 11:00

4. Dog issues-

- a. Allotment owner will be fined \$100 immediately. After February 1st, allotment owner will be fined \$25 a day until the dogs are out of PPMC
- b. Dog continually let out and goes on neighboring allotment. Also, dog has been seen running loose in fire house parking lot. BOD fined member \$100.
- c. Guest dog-outside the back gate. Dog was reported as biting an adult walking another dog. BOD determined it was a not a Park issue

5. BOD President reported on settlement of Simas case. To date the legal papers have not been sent for BOD's signatures.
6. Bill Uber's deck plans approved. BOD Lind explained that any deck less than 18 inches from ground does not need a permit and can go to the allotment line. Anything 30 inches above ground must get counting zoning approval and must then comply with the 10 -foot setback.
7. BOD asked Lind to secure bids for office gutters.
8. BOD asked to see members delinquent with their TADS at next BOD meeting.
9. Staking approved:

- a. Judy Vierra-114 Keystone
- b. Marie Anderson -319 Royal Arch

10. The Malcolm Kirby report was sent by Member Kirby to all Members without the BOD's knowledge. BOD was given report just prior to the opening of the Town Hall Meeting, December 10th. BOD did not authorize the report.

11. BOD Melikian will contact the Castle Property Homeowners Association regarding an easement for an underground water pipe.

BOD concluded this portion of the meeting. BOD President Frank Haswell had prior afternoon commitments. BOD Directors Nelson, Melikian, and Lind remained to interview new members.

1:15-John Draper Perry approved to be Associate to his father, John E. Perry, Jr. at 254 Keystone Way.

2:00-Janice Davison approved to Associate to her father, Ernest J. Nidick at 550 Crescent Lane.

2: 15-Mary Baldrige, approved to be Associate to her mother, Dorothy Lo Wells at 103 Keystone Way.

2:30-Ellen Olsen approved to be Associate to her husband, Perry Olsen at 420 Joppa.

2:45-Gary Newton approved to be Associate to Richard T. Sibley at 280 Keystone Way .

3:00-Lois Laidlaw approved for Member, purchasing Larry Coburn's allotment at 175 St. Bernard Street.

3:15 With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Joanne Nelson

For Sale By Member

Member's improvements offered for sale as of **January 31, 2006**. All allotment use privileges and Membership are subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The sellers solely provide the descriptions of improvements for sale. Such information is not verified or checked for accuracy by Paradise Park Masonic Club, Inc. The Club does not warrant, and disclaims any responsibility for, the accuracy, truthfulness or completeness of any information provided. All questions about allotment improvements should be addressed solely to the seller.

ADDRESS	MEMBER	PRICE	DESCRIPTION
SECTION 1			
439 York Avenue	Lloyd L. Ames Shown by Appt. only; contact Alcinda Walters 831/425-2842	\$349,000 No Financing	3BR 2BA, 4702 sq ft allotment, 1500 sq ft improvements, front & rear deck, 2 car garage w/shop area, paved drive, walk-in closet, pantry, laundry rm; Incl. refrig, dishwasher, range, hot tub, washer, dryer, freezer, some furniture, split level, 600 sq ft master suite has oak accents of built-in bookshelves & vanity, all tile BA; air tight wood burning stove heat in vaulted ceiling LR; remodeled kit w/oak cabinets & laminated floors.
489 Knight Templar	Nancy Longacre See Description for Contact	\$175,000 No Financing	2½ BA, 2BR, 5034 sq ft allotment, 1085 sq ft improvements, kitchen remodeled after 1989 Loma Prieta quake; home in need of repairs; appliances, furnishings to be negotiated; nice Arizona flagstone fireplace; large patio. Contact Hall Longacre, 1/925/323-8473.
SECTION 2			
364 Eastern Star	Jeanne Jelcick Call for Appt./Info. 831/429-2215	\$248,500	Cute little 4BR + sleeping loft or 2BR + office + den. Upgraded septic & electric. Modern kitchen, stack washer/dryer. Good sun & great privacy w/huge beautifully landscaped allotment. Call 831/429-2215, 426-7666, 325-3928.
SECTION 3			
216 Keystone Way	Ann L. Pfaff 831/818-4480	\$345,000 No Financing	1BA, 2BR, 8400sq ft allotment, 1200sq ft improvements, overlooking river from rear deck/hot tub, completely remodeled in 2001; a "Must See". Includes gas oven, microwave, dishwasher, hot tub.
SECTION 4			
591 Keystone Way	James M. Keeton 559/251-4396	\$124,500 cell 559/970-0911	Split level, 1 BA, 2BR, lg covered front deck, private parking stall, new roof, remodel, exterior/interior paint, carpets, tile floor in BA, hardwood floor KIT, 2 LP freestanding heating stoves & hot water heater, incl. kitchen LP gas range, fridge, stckd washer/dryer, partial furn, ready to move in.
677 St. Paul Street	Norman C. Brown Contact C. Vinson 831/429-1575 or P. Gracey 408/277-0809	\$285,000 FIRM! SALE PENDING No Financing.	2BA/2BR, Family Rm/Den/or 3 rd BR, Living Rm, Dining Rm, Kitchen, 1350 sq ft, tiled floors (living, dining, kit), carpet (living, family, bdrms), built-in pantry, pull-down camouflage ladder to attic storage, double-pane windows, detached 2-car 400 sq ft garage, washer/dryer, refrigerator/stove (gas), dishwasher, microwave incl., forced air heating (propane), fireplace insert-new brick, flagpole, extr prkg.
SECTION 6			
118 Keystone Way	Robert P. Hupp 559/227-7140 559/287-7703	Price Reduced! \$177,000 No Financing	Must see. 2BR, 1BA, completely refurbished, new carpet, wood flooring in kitchen, new stove, fridge, disposal, washer/dryer included; 12X22ft deck in front, small patio in back; some new furniture & misc. items included; 3 lg outside storage sheds, large carport.
179 St. Bernard Street	Gerlach Estate Paradise Park Ofc. 831/423-1530	\$190,000 Financing Available	2 BR, 1 BA, has great potential, some appliances & some furnishings, near Park entrance, carport, deck, knotty pine living room, basement, near river, AS IS.
183 St. Bernard Street	Mark Akin 831/423-4885	\$525,000	3 BR, 2 BA, beautifully remodeled home on lg sunny allotment. Family rm, fireplace, hardwood floors, central heat, Marvin windows, Anderson French doors, skylights, professionally landscaped yard w/lg deck & patio. Pls. Call for more info & appt to view.
189 St. Bernard Street	Miriam Kourik 831/426-8224	\$235,000	Split level home, 2 BR, 1 1/2 BA, new septic tank, new roof; sunny with nice yard; allotment located in front of the Park.

READ THE MEMBERSHIP APPLI CATIONS PENDING LIST! This list is published so that you have the opportunity to advise the Board about these candidates for Membership. If you have information that you believe the Board should consider before voting for Membership on any of the candidates, please contact the Board President in writing.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS PENDING

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Date posted</u>	<u>Seller</u>	<u>Allotment</u>
<u>MEMBER CANDIDATE</u>			
none			
<u>ASSOCIATE MEMBER</u>			
none			
<u>ALTERNATE ASSOCIATE MEMBER</u>			
Megan Mitchell	08/23/05	Betty Ramsay	444 York Avenue



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