

Las Posadas Camp Board  
April 19, 2021  
Zoom Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by David Firestone.

Glenn Parks moved to approve the minutes of the March meeting. The motion was seconded and passed.

Treasurer's Report - Jim Bennett reported that the taxes have been filed. Jim reported \$71,530.09 in checking and \$85,282.38 in the money market account as of the end of March.

### SUP

We reviewed and discussed the draft Special Use Permit.

David will submit a response to Cal Fire including questions and concerns from the board. Notify him if you have anything to add.

Some of our concerns:

(1) We will ask for clarification on the restriction to the area within the red lines on the map. (Travel routes, Exhibit A) Are we able to use the ball field and hiking trails?

(3) No easy access for maintenance. Contrary to what we were told there are no provisions for quick access to make repairs, test water, etc.

(4) Insurance coverage levels: Jim Bennett has shared these requirements with the insurance company to make sure we have sufficient coverage.

(8) The requirement to incorporate elements of the SUP into enforceable policies or practices developed by the board to assure that counties abide by the conditions of the SUP.

These policies must be approved by the state prior to the signing of the SUP. Jim Richards urged the board to be wary of any government agency that asks to approve a plan we develop. It could be considered a violation if we fail to enforce our own policies.

(9 & 10) Jim Richards suggested we push back on the \$2,500 administration fee and the \$2,500 security deposit. He feels the state may back down on this.

(11 to 13) 3 violations accumulated over the term of the SUP could result in loss of the camp for all. Should we consider having each county sign an SUP?

(18 & 19) David will ask Dion to share the Alameda County emergency plan he has shared with counties in the past.

(20 & 21) What improvements are covered? Jim Richards believes this refers to new construction and the primary concern is safety. We should let Cal Fire know that all major improvements are inspected by the appropriate government agencies. How will this affect the kitchen remodel?

(24) Does this require a higher level of professional certification than the UC guidelines? Can we substitute wording stating that we will adhere to the UC guidelines currently in place?

Tammy will get that information from the state Camp Safety Guidebook and share it with David.

(28) Parking - Do we need to clarify that delivery and repair vehicles may need to be parked in the camp area temporarily?

(45 b) Roster of Participants - Steven Worker has said that UC may approve this if it is necessary.

(45 d) Pick-up and Drop-off. Needs clarification. Will buses be allowed down the camp road? David will ask to eliminate the requirement to shuttle kids from Angwin. How will this affect visitor days, educational speakers, astronomers?

#### Other Business-

Jim Bennett asked if we will be allowed in to cut up the downed tree on the water pipe so that we can get the water sample to the county for testing.

Tammy reported that the state is still not allowing overnight camps through June 1. She doubts overnights will be allowed at all this year.

David will reach out to Steven Worker to deny Marin's request for a second week of camp this year.

David and Dan Lavell will contact Fred Frye to get tree removal started.

David will notify the board when he sends the email response to Peter Leuzinger.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00.

Submitted by

Margaret Close

Attendance:

Alameda - David Firestone, Jim Bennett, Jim Richards

Contra Costa -

Marin - Glenn Parks

Napa - Sarah Macy, Tammy Hill

Sonoma - Dan Lavell, Brian Seekins, Margaret Close