

Las Posadas Five County Board
December 12, 2022
Zoom Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 by Matt Torrance.

Secretary's Report

Tara Camgros moved to accept the minutes of the last meeting. The motion was seconded and passed.

Treasurer's Report

Jim Bennett reported balances of \$85,243.17 in the money market account and \$56,064.99 in checking.

Margaret Close moved to accept the report. The motion was seconded and passed.

Old Business

Matt reported that he has contacted a septic engineering group recommended by Craig Machado. He has asked them to inspect the septic system with him. He has asked Mike if they can visit camp on December 19.

Storage

We discussed the storage issue for kitchen items borrowed from camp by Sonoma County. Dion moved that we store the items at camp. The motion was seconded and passed.

Tara will try to make necessary arrangements by Dec. 31. Jim Bennett said there is storage space in Alameda County.

Fund Raising

Matt has not heard from Gary Bender, the professional fund-raiser from Marin County. He will continue to try contact him and get him to a board meeting. Matt asked other board members to look for grant writers and fund raisers in their own counties.

Elections

Margaret moved to accept the proposed slate of officers. The motion was seconded and passed.

Margaret moved we elect the slate of officers. David seconded and the motion was passed. Matt Torrance will continue as President. David Firestone will continue as Vice-President, and Jim Bennett and Dion Hock will be Co-Treasurers. The office of secretary is still open. Margaret will continue to take minutes until the office is filled.

CEQA

We discussed the bridge replacement, septic system, and tree removal. Jim asked for clarification on why we are focused on these three things. Jim Richards explained that Mike Marcucchi has asked for plans and budget on these three items before Cal Fire will invest money in CEQA.

We will still be responsible for the kitchen upgrade, bunk repair and upgrade, and other repairs.

Michelle has heard that Cal Fire will initiate the CEQA process but we will probably bear the costs. Jim Bennett agreed. Jim Richards added that we may also be required to pay Cal Fire for their time if they have to review any plans generated.

Jim suggested that Matt ask Mike for clarification: Specifically, "Will Cal Fire start CEQA and see it through? Will they require us to pay for CEQA?"

He also suggested that we remind Cal Fire of the education provisions in the deed and ask them how they will meet those requirements.

Jim Bennett suggested we get the process started to get an idea of the cost and then move on.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20.

Submitted by

Margaret Close

Attendance:

Alameda – Jim Bennett, Jim Richards, David Firestone.

Contra Costa

Marin – Matt Torrance

Napa

Sonoma – Tara Camgros, Michelle Machado, Lisa Bianchi, Margaret Close