

Las Posadas Five County Board
November 14, 2022
Zoom Meeting

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

Secretary's Report

Michelle Machado moved to accept the minutes as emailed. The motion was seconded and approved.

Treasurer's Report

Jim was not able to attend the meeting but sent the bank balances. We have \$85,245.57 in the money market account and \$56,066.64 in checking. There has been no recent activity in the checking account.

Camp Inspection Report from Mike Marcucci

We discussed the email and inspection reports shared with the board by Unit Chief Mike Marcucci. We will need to provide engineering reports to Cal Fire regarding construction of the footbridge and septic system before the EIR/CEQA process can begin. Mike Marcucci says he will develop a plan for the trees.

Matt will ask Craig Machado to recommend engineers he has worked with in the past. Michelle said Craig has also worked with on-site archaeological representatives from Sonoma State for a reasonable cost.

Tom Baldocchi questioned whether the bridge is a priority for us. Matt explained that the bridge, septic system, and trees are priorities for Cal Fire. We at least need to have plans for all of these before we can begin.

Michelle Machado moved that Matt start the fact-finding process for the septic system and bridge. Tara Camgros seconded the motion, and it was approved.

Matt will notify the board by email if there are preliminary fees for this.

Michelle will invite Craig to the December meeting.

Nominating Committee

Tara presented a partial slate:

President: Matt Torrance

Vice President: David Firestone

Treasurer: Jim Bennett and Dion Hock

Secretary: Open

Camp Supplies / Storage

Michelle is pretty sure that the camp supplies will fit in the storage area at the 4-H Office in Santa Rosa. The Hopland Research Facility has also offered to store some supplies if necessary. We also have the option of putting a storage container in the parking lot at the 4-H Office.

Matt suggested that we will need a storage container when we get to work on the kitchen.

Michelle suggested that we table the decision until the next meeting when she will know more.

Annual Meeting

We discussed having an in-person Annual Meeting in December. We agreed to meet by Zoom in December and discuss the possibility of an in-person meeting in January at that meeting.

ERA / CEQA

We discussed the two committees outlined by Steven Worker last year. One committee will work on the CEQA process and the other will work on fund-raising. Matt will invite Gary Bender to a board meeting soon. Gary is a former board representative and professional fund-raiser from Marin County. Matt agreed to forward all future emails as received.

Board Representative Update:

Matt asked that all counties update their list of representatives.

Tara moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:07. Kerry Dolphin seconded the motion, and it was approved.

Submitted by

Margaret Close

Attendance:

Alameda:

Contra Costa: Kerry Dolphin, Tom Baldocchi,

Marin: Matt Torrance

Napa:

Sonoma: Tara Camgros, Michelle Machado, Margaret Close

