

## GCHNA Steering Committee Minutes

February 18, 2019 Nevada City Elks Lodge. 7:00- 8:30pm

Attendees: Don and Beth Enoch, Willie Brusin, Terry Wagner, Sue Gregory, Shaun Havard, Gena & Paul Buschman, Rod & Marjorie McConnell, Christy Barden, Debbie Wandro, Eileen Jorgensen, Patricia Fuenzalida, Jeff Coleman Hunt, Allison Miller, Chris Reskie, Susan Wiesner, Uli Paulin, Gregg Dwight - a quorum

Uli called the meeting to order and attendees introduced themselves. The agenda and minutes were approved.

Treasurer's report - We have over \$6000 in TriCounties bank - \$800 more than last year at this time. Susan has done the financials for 2018 and asks for volunteers to do the yearly audit. Nancy Paulson will help. Susan will also prepare a preliminary budget for 2019. She'd like feedback about whether there are plans for a picnic and if we want to send the newsletters electronically.

### NEIGHBORHOOD REPS

Several members have volunteered to become new neighborhood reps. They introduced themselves to the group. Jeff Coleman Hunt would replace Willie Brusin as the rep for Upper Cement Hill. Suuzi Webb would help Nancy Paulson cover Wet Hill Road. Marjorie and Rod McConnell would help Bill Holman cover Excelsior Ditch Camp Road. Don Enoch will represent Indian Trails. Patricia Fuenzalida would replace Susan Wiesner as the rep for Sunrock. It was moved by Susan that the above candidates be accepted as new reps and members of the Steering Committee. The vote was unanimous in favor of all the candidates.

Nancy Paulson reported that she'd been in contact with Justin Drinkwater, the County Director of Facilities Management, and that he was responsive to our concerns about brush clearing of County property and along County roads. Work has been done in the Wet Hill area. He can be reached at 530-470-2637.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Newsletter - Eve and Ellen requested articles for the Spring newsletter be sent to them by mid March. Articles will include bios from new reps and Firewise Community information specifically the Fire Drill exercise May 19.

FireWise Community - There was discussion earlier in the meeting about fire emergency roads. Marjorie & Rod McConnell reported on the rough condition of Excelsior Ditch Camp Road. Chris asked if it was “shovel ready” and if so, it would be eligible for grant money to improve it.

Riverhill Farm to Cedarsong Road is a usable escape route. Using John Barleycorn as an escape route was discussed though there are problems and it was suggested that signage might be helpful. Annette’s property could provide access to Airport Rd and Cement Hill.

Beth has been organizing for the May 19 Fire Drill. She is still in need of more properties that can be used for the exercise. First responders from all over California will practice on simulated scenarios at each property. 15 engines will be in our neighborhood. Code Red will send “mock” messages, so it’s important that all members sign up so they can learn how the alert system works. We need to make sure the neighborhood knows about the drill. Don will put up signage on the roads. Annette suggested we send out a separate notice. We should alert Yuba Net and Nextdoor. Beth encourages interested members to take the Advisory Training Course being offered by the FireSafe Council April 5-6.

Database/Website - Chris has taken on the task of updating the website. She’s worked with William and roughed out her plans, but would like input on what members feel is essential. She’ll take out what’s not and build the website from there.

## OLD BUSINESS

Old Airport agenda - Uli and others wrote an agenda to the City Council explaining what GCHNA wanted concerning development of the property. The letter was presented at the February City Council meeting. Uli reported that people were receptive to our ideas, particularly the concept of a fire survival area. We’re on their radar.

The next Steering Committee meeting will be Monday, April 1, 7pm at the Madelyn Helling Library.

Respectfully submitted by Ellen Hagan, Secretary.