

## SMRC General Membership Meeting

October 10, 2015 - Church on the Rise

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Meeting was called to order at 9:02 by President Rick Chapman. Board members and officers present: vice president Steve Shipman, directors Kathi Cherrier, Bob Gorski, Paul Tillman and Robert Walton, treasurer Michele Chapman, secretaries Gary and Marie Barrett. Forty-seven lots were represented either by property owner(s) or proxy.

**Secretary Report** - The minutes from the 2014 annual meeting were mailed out to the membership prior to the meeting. It was moved and approved to accept the minutes as sent.

**Treasurer Report** – Michele Chapman presented the treasurer’s report. She discussed keycards and garbage rates. We were under budget due to light snowfall the previous winter. She presented the 2016 budget overview for approval which prompted discussion. A motion passed to approve the 2016 budget as presented.

**Elections** - Open positions included Board of Directors 4 and 5, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. Nominations were accepted from the floor with each position elected by acclamation.

Newly elected Directors and Officers are:

Board Position 1: Paul Tillman unopposed

Board Position 4: Robert Walton unopposed

Vice President: Steve Shipman unopposed

Secretary: Gary and Marie Barrett unopposed, filling the position until a replacement is found

Treasurer: Michele Chapman unopposed

**Architecture Committee** – Bob Gorski reported that the architect committee has been busy the past year. Ten structures were approved, including three homes. He stated that the architect committee needs a one month advance notice for approval of property improvements. Forms are available on the web as well as committee members’ names. He reminded the membership that measurements need to be taken from the property line, not the middle or edge of the road. SMRC roads include a 60 foot right of way. Bob reminded the membership that the setbacks are 30 feet from front or rear of property lines, and 20 feet to side property lines. SMRC restrictions are stricter than the county, and the county does not enforce our covenants.

**Road Committee & Survey** - Paul Tillman reported that the lignin application for dust control this year was unsatisfactory. He had the vendor fix it, but it’s not much better. The board is considering using magnesium chloride on the roads next year. The road bed in some locations is down to rock which causes the washboard effect. Discussion about ATV’s and a roads plan survey followed. We are still expecting the road plan and a water retention area for the driveway to the pool.

**Capital Improvement Account (aka Reserve Account)** – Steve Shipman explained how the capital improvement account will be used to improve our assets such as road and pool. The board plans to prepare a schedule by asset, and he expects it to be scheduled out several years.

**Trail System Committee** – Steve Shipman explained how the trails go across greenbelts and no motorized vehicles are allowed. He displayed a map of the development showing a four-phase trail building plan. A marker is physically located on Twin Lakes Drive near Balsam Root for a trail that goes toward the lake. Steve welcomed feedback and volunteers. When asked about connecting the trail system with other trails, he agreed it was a possibility but expressed concern about insurance.

**Twin Lakes Aquifer Coalition** – Robert Walton gave a brief review on the Aquifer Coalition. He contacted Dick Ewing, chairman, about getting water back into the lakes. There has been a lack of cooperation from other government entities. Dick has been working with the fish hatchery, exploring the possibility for test wells on hatchery property.

**Pool/Park Repairs** – Rick Chapman reported that repairs to park and pool have not been done yet because fighting the fires in late summer employed many of the contractors in the valley. A year ago, we had a mud flow that caused damage to the pool. We expect to have the driveway repair completed before winter to prevent this from happening again. Rick expects to have the pool recoated and a new pool apron installed next spring. We have a new flagpole for the park and plan to have conduit laid soon, so we can have power to the sheds, the picnic shelter, and improved park lighting. We have plans to update the pickle ball court and the security camera system.

**Burn Pile** – There was a brief discussion about burn pile methods, timing and alternatives.

**Dumpster Area** – Rick stated that only paper, plastic and cardboard may be placed in the dumpster recycle area. No appliances, building materials, furniture or carpets are allowed.

**Emergency Evacuation** – Ronnie Davis stated that we need a network of notifications within the SMRC community. She signed up for county notifications but the alerts were not given this year. Karen Mulcahy and Rick Rottman informed us of the “Methow Ready” meeting coming up October 14<sup>th</sup> and were planning to attend.

**Questions/Comments** – Questions and discussion followed about rental/problem areas in the development and what can be done. A suggestion was made to upgrade the play structures in the park to which Rick Chapman responded we would like to do but need volunteers.

**Thank You to Volunteers** – On behalf of the board of directors, Robert Walton thanked the volunteers for the many tasks completed the past year: surveying property, painting entrance signs, assisting with the burn pile, basketball hoops, noticing the fire in the burn pile and calling 911, helping repair the gate, repairing the stand pipe at the pool, help setting up the Facebook page and pool tile work over 10 years. There was a discussion of Okanogan County emergency management and disaster notification methods. Robert reminded the membership everyone on the board and committees are volunteers, and some also have full-time jobs.

With no further concerns or questions, the meeting was adjourned at 11:14 AM with a reminder of the Potluck BBQ to be held at the Park at 3:00.

A Board meeting opened at 11:15 AM to elect a President for the upcoming year. Rick Chapman was again nominated by the board to be President. The next Board meeting was scheduled for Saturday, November 7, 2015 at 10:00 AM at Larkspur Park. Meeting was adjourned at 11:20 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary and Marie Barrett, Secretaries