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MOSQUITO VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
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REGULAR BOARD MEETING 7:00 P.M.
MOSQUITO STATION 75
October 1, 2015

1. CALL TO ORDER - 7:13pm

2. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS - Present: Kari Guthrie, Eileen Guell, Clay Heironimus, Tom Harris, Dave Angelo, and Elisabeth Bingham.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST – Minutes approved by all present.

4. FROM THE FLOOR

Eileen re: article for Byte promoting using MVFA smile.amazon account on purchases so MVFA receives 0.25% of total sales.

Zach Latham of Scout Troop Placerville 288 presented his Eagle Scout Service project proposal for Fannon Reservoir Information Boards: 3x4' ea. three-panel sign at the entrance with a map, wildlife info, bulletin board, and a box for pamphlets and two 4x4' single-panel signs at the campground and boat launch area. Concern of septic infringement voiced – it's being considered. PG&E? Not as close to pole as photo indicates. Cost estimate \$1,250 – he will fundraise once signed off by Eagle board. Proposal of “amount not to be exceeded” donation out of MVFA budget. Donors could possibly donate supplies or money to MVFA as 501c3 for use in project rather than to project or individual. Our commitment is not for money - Zach is to get funding. Approved by scout's unit leader and Scout Master. Proposed Oct. 25 footings, Nov. 7 installation. Clay moved for approval; Eileen seconded; all present are in favor. Tom signed Zach's proposal. We need to determine how much if any we will donate to project ASAP. Nick Heyert. will attempt to find better-priced materials and get back to Zach in one week.

5. REPORTS

Treasurer's Report – Sharon Hern – Treasurer's and Funds Status Reports - bank balance \$37,655.62; disbursement \$19,636.43; commercial package insurance due by Oct. 25 – no changes; \$810.90 down due - \$155.75 mo'ly (\$2,302.20); Tom moved for approval; Clay seconded; all present approved. \$679.40 profit on Spaghetti Dinner – to Christmas party fund. Donations, 50/50, and raffle all to DWR back fees - \$1,043. With next payment, our dam fees will be under \$2,000. Question raised re: renting kayak and MVFA liability – covered by insurance. AND liquor use rider on Director's Insurance renewed in July for events to be able to provide alcohol IN fire station. More (50?) phone books will be ordered around the end of the month. (Cost is \$2.58; sell for \$5.) Merchandising has \$1,436.34. Maybe donate \$500 of \$943.97

dam restoration account to sign project. Discussion... Dave moved that contingency fund be set up not to exceed \$500 if there's a shortfall; Kari seconded; all present approved.

Support Group Report – Eileen Guell – met at fire department, held by Leo, went to Trout, learned to pump water and fill tender - “it was really cool.” Learned where gas is and how to fill and where key is. Learned to roll hose and get out of the way.

Bingo – Eileen Guell – success! 28 players, 31 tix, 9 daubers, some number of single tix (Eileen talks too fast). Chicken taquitos sold out and she had to have bean. Next is October 23. November? Near Thanksgiving – will discuss at November board mtg.

6. OLD BUSINESS

GOMVFA.com website – Tom Harris – Karen Rapinotti is ready but needs content. Tom offered historical articles re: MVFA and old FD, etc. On schedule for this month. Still beta yesterday. Photos should be submitted (need parental release for photos including minors). Need community to send items to Karen. Phone directory and Mosquito Memories have been submitted. She's been directed to Finnon website.

EID Proposal for Water for Finnon Lake – Dave Angelo – Devry “will get to it when he gets to it.” He's filling his third pond per Sharon H. We need to craft a formal letter to EID. We can only receive water from Nov. to April/May. By the time the pipe and treatment plant get in, we'll have passed another water season. Tom responded that we can remind the parties that we've got property and can move forward without this. We've been told that Devry will put in new fences if we remove old. Direct letter to contact's boss, not him (Aaron?).

Amendments to MVFA Bylaws – Dave Angelo – no input received from members. He's found three or four he'd like to add/change. Darcy has PDFs. We need to move forward to vote at the Christmas party as we didn't at the spaghetti dinner. Tom has asked Darcy to stay on to handle limited things like that. August 6 are the new ones (April were prev.). Sharon says to make article in Dec. Byte for by-laws.

PR Person for MVFA – Tom Harris – Barbara Smith is back at the end of November. Dee has some ideas, but isn't committed to chairing.

Spaghetti Feed – Mary Ann Haywood, Clay Heironimus – SUCCESS!! Mary Ann passed out report and last year's Christmas party info. Everyone worked hard and it paid off. We'll want a canopy.

T-Shirt Orders – Eileen Guell – An article has gone/will go in the Byte that we're ordering mid-Nov. We need a smart-phone for a Paypass swiper and a credit card machine that reads the chips. Further support expressed for replacing our existing phone with a smartphone. Mary Ann will provide new inventory to Eileen.

Disclaimer Statement for the Byte – Tom Harris - We will add to/combine with editor blurb something to the effect of: “the views expressed by other than the MVFA board do not necessarily reflect the views of the board.”

TRUNK OR TREAT - Eileen Guell – We need to add start and end times to firehouse request letters, including for Christmas party: 9am to noon set-up. We'll take candy donations but need to confirm with FD re: barrel or something. We'll take toy and food donations at Christmas

7. NEW BUSINESS

Letter of Recognition to Darcy - Tom Harris – We'll mail it from the board, inserted in a thank you card.

Appointment of new board member Linda Heyart – Tom moved that we appoint her to board; Dave seconded; all present approved.

El Dorado Fire Safe Council - Tom Harris – Soon we'll have resources to pursue things like helping elderly/infirm. In the past we had a member who attended the El Dorado council and we had our own (with a grant administered by MVFA). Our new Chief is trying to restart ours (meeting 10am 10/2) – there's a proposal, etc. involved in getting it going – such a council will assist elderly, but MS75 may focus on that and we can focus on community center, handicapped restroom, showers.

Veteran's Day Meet & Greet at the Café - Tom Harris – Milo Laguna to co-host; it's a go – coffee and cake/pie at 4:30/5 for area vets. Money from general fund donations which would be reimbursed from events.

8. FINNON LAKE PROPERTY

Campground & Property – Tom Harris – is looking into a grant website and wants help. Bill Hill has left by his own decision. We'll have guidelines for hosts in the future.

Eagle Scout Project - Zach Latham (above)

Mosquito General – Dave Angelo - new hot water heater running well; grease cleaning serviced; some bulbs are out, to be replaced by Mosquito General.

Fish & Wildlife Committee – Dave Angelo – (see his notes)
626-1196 – 13 different species of birds including a Kingfisher.

9. Good and Welfare of the Community and the Department – Blood drive, maybe Blood Source; welcome packet for new peeps with MVFA info – names from local realtors – just a fact letter?

10. Board Members to be heard, discussion only - none

11. Adjournment at 9:12pm by Dave's motion, seconded by Tom; approved by all present.