

March 6, 2019 BOD Meeting Minutes

Gold Ridge Forest POA

- Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by President, Joan Fuquay.
- Directors present: Joan Fuquay-President, Dominique Smith-Greenbelt/Secretary/Recreation, Scott Leonard-Architecture.
- Meeting recorded on new audio recorder.

1-First Order of Business - approve a new director.

The board has selected a new director. Her name is Linda Barr and she is sitting here. She has lived in Gold Ridge since the early 90's, she is a retired attorney, she has practiced in state government from 1997 to 2016. She was a member of the State Bar and is now retired. As a retired attorney, she does not give legal opinions. She was a Vice-Chair and Common Area Director for Gold Ridge Forest in 1996. She has demonstrated experience and interest in fire safety planning during her tenure in the Legislature and continuing interest in the Fire Safe Council.

- Scott Leonard- motion to appoint Linda Barr to the board, term ending 2020: second-Dominique Smith, all in favor: Leonard-aye, Smith-aye, Fuquay-aye, motion passed.

Joan Fuquay-Welcome, Linda. She will be taking the positions of Vice President and Finance.
Linda Barr- I am looking forward to working with the community. I am excited.

2-Member request for live stream recording of the meetings.

- Dominique Smith- motion made that we DO NOT do the live camera video at this time; I do not think it would be a good idea; it is costly, there are a lot of liabilities involved, and we have plenty of other expenses that are a priority.

Scott Leonard-not in favor, second the motion. Discussion: Linda Barr- I have concerns too. I would rather encourage members to attend meetings than live stream it. I don't know how many people would actually watch a live stream. I really like the interaction of seeing people one on one and being able to talk with people afterward. If there are things we can do to encourage more members to come, I am all for it. Live-streaming does have privacy related issues, confidentiality issues, for not just us, but for you members as well. I don't know if members attending want to be live-streamed and blasted on the internet to who knows where. I don't know if the benefits would outweigh the cost.

- All in favor-for not allowing live-streaming and recording meetings at this time. Table for further research. Leonard-aye, Smith-aye, Barr-aye, Fuquay-aye, motion passed.

Joan Fuquay- I would like to follow as close as we can to Roberts Rules of Order. Any action items will not be discussed until after there is a motion on the floor. The board will then discuss it, and then we will open it up to the floor as a courtesy for 3 minutes.

3-Previous Meeting Minutes Approval

- Scott Leonard- motion to approve meeting minutes from January 23, 2019, second-Smith, all in favor: Smith-aye, Leonard-aye, Barr-aye, Fuquay-aye, minutes approved.

4-Directors Reports

a) President- Joan Fuquay-I have received emails and seen online on the Face Book chat page lot of disparaging comments about staff. The office manager was directed to contact our lawyer after the last meeting. Last July, a part time office assistant was hired at that point what we considered a training position and office assistant to learn the office duties and fill in for the office manager. There was a misunderstanding with the position's status as permanent, or as a temporary fill-in. The assistant will no longer be working in the office unless filling in for the manager. The office salary budget for 2019 had included the extra position and it is inflated. Those additional funds will most likely be directed to the recreation salary.

Any email or letter sent to members is pre-approved by the board.

I would like to clear up one other misconception. According to Section 4 of the Bylaws, A-F, items the board votes on and what the membership votes on. The members vote on election of officers, at the annual election, assessment increases over 20%, governing documents that are changed, updated, and the removal of officers, and a few other items. The business of the board is done through the members of the board who are elected, in most cases, or appointed.

We have some projects pending decisions: tot lot upgrades, fencing, bathroom facilities, upstairs in the lodge and the pool table, pool opening and staffing, neighborhood support, plans for the elderly and fire safety concerns.

We are responding to requests for more accessibility by changing the meeting time to 7:00 so more people can be here. There is also the idea of town hall meetings, and retaining the voice recordings and not erasing them when minutes are published.

b) Finance

Linda Barr- There were needed lodge furnace repairs last week that caused the February 27th meeting to be postponed. The board collected 3 quotes for the repairs. The regulator on the propane tank was malfunctioning, the gas valve on the furnace needed to be replaced, and we also performed maintenance on the burner and flame sensor. There is a 12-month warranty on the work done and the cost was \$856 for repairs.

Roberts Accounting Reports are available on the table for 4th Quarter 2018- Operating and Reserve and 2018 Year End. Any questions, please let me know. I will do the best I can to get them for you. I may not have them for you tonight.

c) Recreation /Greenbelt

Dominique Smith- Once snow melts, will assess areas needing work. We have tracked the areas not worked on recently and will plan this year's work.

We will be collecting applications for Recreation employees for the pool and will put an announcement in the newsletter.

d) Architecture

Scott Leonard- With the snow, the only project received was one carport.

Member question for Dominique regarding clearing greenbelt behind property: If you want to clear it, can we pile branches for employees to chip. Member interested in helping.

Dominique-Yes, the piles of tree branches need to be stacked for grounds persons.

Discussion of greenbelt work needed and people causing hazards.

5-Committee Reports

CC&R Committee:

Pat Schoggins attended the CC&R Committee meeting on March 5th. Quick summary from meeting- Reviewed Section 5, regarding assessments and foreclosure process, and landscape regulations.

Joan mentioned the Recreation Committee- revisit getting activated.

6-New Business

A- Joan Fuquay-proposed changing meeting time from 6:00 to 7:00, asked for feedback.

B- Meeting minutes are not approved until the following month's meeting. We will work to publish draft meeting minutes to make accommodations to member requests.

C- We will save voice recordings longer.

D- We will work to create a Communications Committee to respond to member requests. If interested, contact the office.

E- Concerns re: cost of accountant-This request came too late in the year, GRF will look at options for the future.

F- Member request to name the Gold Ridge Forest Community Chat Page as the official Gold Ridge Page. Discussion.

- Linda Barr - I move at this time, we NOT make the Gold Ridge Forest Community Chat Page the official page of the association. Second-Leonard. Discussion- use the website, all in favor:
Barr- aye- Smith-aye, Leonard-aye, Fuquay-aye, motion passed.

Linda Barr- we will work to get better at responding to emails.

Dominique-Please be respectful. If you have a question call me and we will talk face to face.

Joan Fuquay- Topic for the Communications Committee to work on-Ideas of informing members about meeting and news notices.

Linda Barr- FYI, the CC&R Committee meets every month on the 4th Tuesday, at 6:00, the day before the BOD meeting. Send an email to Karen for Communications Committee.

Topics discussed:

Member's positive interactions and response from the board and office staff.

Website editing.

What percentage of owners have email?

Idea for banner sign to be posted on the GRF signs for meeting notices= \$28 each at Costco

G-One open board seat

If you are interested in being appointed to the board, send letters of interest to the office by March 19. We will be interviewing interested members on March 23, from 10:00 am to 12:00. A general director position is to be filled, then the board meets to determine positions.

The board election is coming up. There will be a notice going out in the newsletter. Two (2) year terms to be elected in the July election. The positions to be appointed will have terms ending in 2020.

Open Forum

Topics discussed

- Appointment to the board- questions.
- Communications Committee.
- Home Owners Insurance
- CA Fair Plan for fire only.
- Fire Safe Council option mentioned to get 501(c)3 non-profit status for grant eligibility.
- American Legion Hall in Placerville, March 26, our local district representative, Rex Heim will speak.

Linda Barr- motion to adjourn, Smith-second, all in favor: Smith-aye, Leonard-aye, Barr-aye, meeting adjourned sat 8:21pm.