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MOSQUITO VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSOCIATION - BOARD OF DIRECTORS
9009 ORVAL BECKETT CT - PLACERVILLE CA 95667 – (530) 409-5515
REGULAR BOARD MEETING – Frank’s Diner
December 7, 2017 – 7:00pm

1. CALL TO ORDER – 7:06pm

2. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS: Dave Angelo, Elisabeth Bingham, Tom Harris, Gary Morris, Linda Heyart, Kim Purcell present; Eileen Guell absent.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Moved by Kim, seconded by Gary, motion carried.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING – Moved by Kim, seconded by Linda, motion carried.

5. REPORTS

a. Treasurer’s Report – Teri – Thanked Sharon Hern for training; as of 11/30/2017, \$1,449.93 available.

b. Support Group Report –Sharon Hern – ID cards handed out; discussion re: seasonal transition of Go Bags; Chief talked about radios; tender is being prepared for deployment with strike team to Southern California.

6. OLD BUSINESS – no discussion.

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Dec. 9 Christmas Dinner – Sharon Hern – Have candy canes and 37 small toy bags; Kim purchased bells and gift bags; Santa will be seated at the back to allow for better traffic flow and he will be replaced with a table at 6pm; there’ll be a PA system and EDSO presence. Discussion re: voting – sign in? show of hands? Who will count? If you want to vote, take a ballot and nominate up to four people? End process at 6:30pm and postpone if not complete? Go strictly by the by-laws? Start w/ by-law procedure and offer ballots if it takes too long? By-laws indicate voice vote, but is that feasible? Decided on show of hands and 250 colored ballots will be made in case show of hands doesn’t work.

b. 2017 Election Procedure - Tom – Two attorneys and two former board members agree that the by-laws lack definition/clarity in three areas: Member in good standing = participate in functions, but what does that mean? Meetings, volunteerism, donations, event assistance, adherence to mission statement – maintain discretion, but narrow some. Sharon Hern notes that any changes would require an attachment to the current by-laws. Linda recommends posting in Byte and on website that X resolution(s) passed.

c. Welcome Packets - Linda – One packet distributed to new resident by MVFA helper; Kim will give info for new Stope residents. Adding Frank’s Diner brochure to packet.

d. Christmas Baskets – Sharon Hern – Seven Hugs and six baskets requested – three adults-only and three with children. Baking, sorting, and packaging of food and toys (for which there was a wonderful community response) on Dec. 14 and 15 – volunteers were obtained. Food donations will be taken through Dec. 13 at the fire station. Six to eight drivers are needed for Dec. 16 morning delivery – volunteers were obtained.

8. FINNON LAKE PROPERTY

a. Campground & Property – Tom – Loggers are there – two men and a dog, who will leave at the first rain. A bear got into the plastic-lidded dumpster and a tent (stole jerky). It’s been a great year with almost every weekend full since Memorial Day.

b. Building Committee – Kim – Lots of work and cleaning by volunteers and ServePro. Good lease response and have decided on the Ethridges. Welcome to Frank, Heidi, and Chana. November 1 is the intended opening. Will start with lunch during the week, breakfast and lunch on the weekend, then add dinner, take & bake pizza, to-go dinners, family night on Wednesday nights (starting with the Grand Opening?), bread. They’ll

employ local staff, have catering and classes, be open Wednesday to Sunday, have groceries (essentials, at least, plus favorite camping items), rubs, BBQ sauces, other “made-on-the-hill” offerings, and call it Frank’s Diner.

c. Fish & Wildlife Committee – Dave - Bird watch information reported monthly in the Byte – 10/21 this month – and to Cornell. Will be moving from 8am to 9am in November. Trout should come up soon with the cooling water. May do another Trout Derby. Ralph Hern noted the post-grant reporting is required for 10 years – 2011 to 2021. Bald Eagle, Blue Heron, Snowy Egret seen last night and hundreds of geese – best to stop by at dusk.

d. Discuss latest EID proposal for water commitment into Finnon Lake – Dave hasn’t been able to talk with decision-makers – maybe in two weeks. Not a concern at this time with the good water level. EID isn’t required to give water until level is down to 35’ (45’ is full and we are currently at 39-40’. Proposal is to bypass easement.

9. GOOD AND WELFARE OF THE COMMUNITY AND THE DEPARTMENT

Kim - Christmas Bazaar 12/9? From 10am to 2pm. Firefighters want to decorate, too. Their tree will go up the weekend prior. Discussion about holding it on the tree-lighting weekend, but not the same day? Sunday, 12/10 after the Christmas party 12/9, and promote at the dinner? Rusty Angelo will man the MVFA table.

Teresa Wren - \$10/table at Bazaar to cover MVFA insurance.

10. FROM THE FLOOR

Rusty Angelo – Is fishing allowed after dark on the ponds? That is a question for SCPOA.

11. Board Members to be heard - Private session

12. Adjournment – Moved by Dave, seconded by Kim, motion carried at 8:18pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elisabeth A. Bingham
Secretary, MVFA