

**SHOWCASE RANCHES COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT**  
**P.O. Box 468 ~ Mt Aukum, CA 95656**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**Thursday ~ January 10, 2019 ~Fire Station #38**

Prior to the meeting Lee Hodge, Roger Klemm and Steve Taylor took the oath of office.

The meeting was called to order by Roger Klemm at 7:05 p.m.

Directors present were: Lee Hodge, Roger Klemm, Karen Kleppe and Steve Taylor

It was MSU (Hodge/Klemm/Unanimous) to approve the Consent Calendar.

**Public Comments:** John Hess, who is leading the community in establishing a FireSafe Council, explained that he felt like the Showcase Ranches CSD could be a valuable partner in future discussions about evacuation routes. Since this may involve discussions of possible changes and/or additions to Showcase roads it is compatible with the charter of the CSD.

Dane Wadle of the CSD Association attended the meeting and explained the purpose and activities of the CSDA. In addition to lobbying the CA legislature in favor of local agencies (like us), this organization has been an excellent resource for answers to questions about the many "hoops" the CSD must jump through to comply with state regulations. The CSDA sponsored legislation that will save Showcase thousands of dollars by replacing expensive yearly audits with a simpler "financial reconciliation" process. Showcase is pursuing this alternative. Our CSD also receives an hour of pro bono legal advice from CSDA attorneys annually.

**Signature Authority:** This document was signed and will be submitted to the EDC Auditor

**Correspondence:** A letter was received from the EDC Auditor's office outlining several Government Codes that relate to Special District operations. Lee read these aloud to remind the Board Members of these requirements.

**Financial Reports:**

1. Lee Hodge presented the preliminary Financial Report through 12/31/2018. Roger Klemm discovered an addition error in the report which was corrected. It was MSU (Klemm/Kleppe/Unanimous) to accept the modified report.

2. The requirement for Board Members to submit Form 700s was discussed.

**Reports from Board Liaisons**

**Roads – Roger Klemm**

Volunteer pothole filling will be done when the potholes dry out. Lee will pick a date and will ask for volunteers via NextDoor.

It was decided that the white chevrons on the speed bumps are better than a solid color. Repainting will be done as needed.

The date for the annual road evaluation will be set at the April meeting.

**Dam/Lakes – Lee Hodge**

There was an extensive discussion of issues related to the financial impact of recent DSOD requirements (passed by the legislature in response to the Oroville dam near-disaster). On the morning of 1/08/2019 Lee attended and presented a commentary at a DSOD public hearing about the DSOD annual fee increases. Although the DSOD is sympathetic to small dam owners it is not clear that they can effectively change policy. The CSD will continue to inform the DSOD of the severe fiscal impact on our budget.

On the afternoon of the same day, Lee attended a discussion of the Inundation Mapping and Emergency Action Plan requirements given by the DSOD and the CA Office of Emergency Services (OES). It is his opinion that the best option for Showcase is the appeal the reclassification of Aukum View Dam from a low hazard to a significant hazard status. If this can be accomplished, the entire problem disappears. Several DSOD managers offered to help with the appeal process. Again, they are sympathetic to small dam owners, but they are subject to legal requirements passed by the legislature.

### **Weed/Brush Abatement**

Volunteers will spray Dorado Canyon roadsides in March/early April. The spraying dates will be announced in advance on the white boards, [showcaseranches.nextdoor.com](http://showcaseranches.nextdoor.com) and [showcaseranches.weebly.com](http://showcaseranches.weebly.com). If you do not want your property sprayed you must clearly mark BOTH ENDS of your property "NO SPRAY". You will then be responsible for controlling weeds on your Dorado Canyon frontage. This is imperative to prevent fire danger:

### **Communications –Newsletter/Website/NextDoor**

Everyone agreed that NextDoor has been a valuable resource for Community communication. The [showcaseranches.weebly.com](http://showcaseranches.weebly.com) website is not suitable as a CSD website. An official website must be created. Lee will investigate.

### **Policies, Procedures & Grants – No report**

**Report from General Manager** – Joe Warren volunteered to be the Showcase Ranches General Manager when he returns from a scheduled trip. Thank you Joe!!!

### **Unfinished Business: None**

**New Business Agenda Items:** The Showcase Ranches Christmas Parade was a big success with more participants and spectators than ever. Lots of horses this time and a surprise visit by former resident and Board Chairman Dustin Carroll, his wife family, children and a couple of their horses. Miss those guys! Check out pictures at [showcaseranches.weebly.com](http://showcaseranches.weebly.com)

**Directors Comments** – Lee Hodge welcomed Steve Taylor to the Board and thanked him for stepping up to help Showcase. Roger Klemm asked about Steve Vudragovich, a SRCSD Director who has missed a couple of meetings. Lee replied that Steve would like to leave the board when a suitable replacement can be found. Karen Kleppe said that there are two goats that are running loose in the Dorado Canyon/Winter Creek. Lee and Karen agreed to catch them and get them to a safe location (mission accomplished as of the writing of these minutes)

**Next meetings: Thurs - April 11, 2019 7 p.m. Fire Station #38**

It was MSU (Kleppe/Hodge) to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

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