

Annual CVCA Meeting
January 26, 2020
Location: Temple Beth Israel

Board members present: Maureen McEachen, Laura Speakman, Jane Sutton, Charlie Wahle, Bill Vogelpohl, Judy Feisthamel

Meeting was called to order by Maureen McEachen at 4:20 pm
Board members were introduced by the president.

Speaker Supervisor Mary Adams was called to speak about fire danger in our area and the impact it has had on home insurance policies. She indicated that Monterey County has completed a pavement management plan and 12 or more roads were identified as needing work, some in Carmel Views. She encouraged people to sign up for the CSA committee.

Fire insurance policies are a big issue in this area. Caleen Courtney is the person that needs to be contacted in Bill Moning's office when home insurance policies are cancelled. There is a need for defensible space around homes. Neighbors should look out for each other and should call the fire department if a fire risk danger is determined to exist. It's important to contact insurance companies outside of California when looking for fire insurance. Mary Adams passed out a handout from Ricardo Lara entitled "Top Ten Tips for Finding Residential Insurance". Members shared stories about fire dangers in our area and the frustrations of getting insurance coverage on their homes. Mary will be available to speak further about the topic at her fireside chats.

At 4:50 pm a quorum was declared.

Minutes for last years' annual meeting were approved. Motion made by Jane Sutton and seconded by Wayne Chapman.

The Treasurer declared that our budget is in good shape in spite of expenditures for fire abatement and legal fees. Dues are now increasing to \$220 yearly. Money is needed to take care of storm damages. A show of hands determined that members were willing to see a \$100 increase per year. Motion was made by Rabi Greenbaum to approve the budget and it was approved.

Fire abatement issues were presented by Jane Sutton. She passed out a report regarding fire abatement issues.

Luis is the person that receives the fire logs. He indicated that he will be able to get a Gavilan crew back in May of this year to work on common areas. Matching funds are needed to keep the \$50,000 grant alive. Luis encouraged the membership to keep good track of the hours spent taking care of the yards. The grant started in February of last year and it runs through February of 2021. Logs need to be sent to the board. Pam Peck addressed the membership regarding Cypress Fire district care. She is proposing the use of "Goats or Us" or "Goats for Rent". The goats would be able to get into certain inaccessible areas of our association. Membership was encouraged to become "fire wise", and proactive, by working on fuel reduction.

Infrastructure: Pot holes were addressed. The contact person for the outside street lights is Bill Vogelpohl. Bill is the one that puts out the banner informing us of the chipper program about 10 days prior to the start of a chipper week.

Communications were addressed by Charlie Wahle. He is a representative to the CSA47 committee, one that advises the county as to the needs of our association. This committee deals with infrastructure issues such as what to do with the "fire road". The committee was formed in 2018 and since then one meeting has taken place. Charlie will be the chair for one year. Other members are Susan Greenbaum and Bud Miller. One more member is needed. Meetings are held about twice yearly.

President Maureen McEachen addressed the issue of PGE access to properties. Access may need to happen when our safety is at stake. The slate of new officers was approved. Bud Miller and Alexis Spidel will be the new board members. Maureen McEachen will continue on the board.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:56 pm
Respectfully submitted by

Judy Feisthamel, Secretary