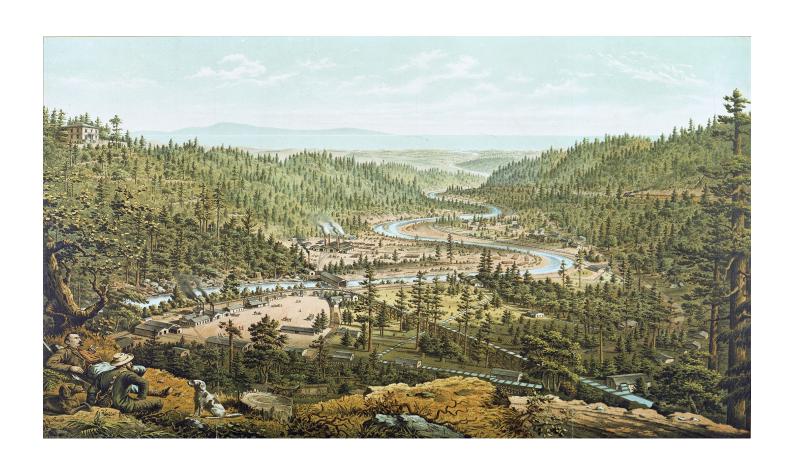
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#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Mom always used to say "When it rains, it pours". Mom was sure right. It has rained and it has poured a lot over the last couple of weeks. It reminded me of the winters we experienced in 1981 and 1982. PPMC has been fortunate this time in that the river has risen several times but so far no flooding. And just as we continue to learn from the fire which affected us, we find ourselves better prepared for the potential of flooding along the river. The ERT committee was prepared in advance to come to our assistance, the Park Manager and the staff had the Social Hall available and the great news was that neither was required.

We have also continued to review the Parks needs concerning the fire equipment as well as our personnel and the costs associated with both elements. The Budget committee has provided the actual costs associated with our Fire Brigade considering equipment expenses, vehicle expenses, insurance costs and the cost of worker's compensation expenses. After careful and thoughtful review, the Board of Directors has decided to change the Fire Brigade. It will now become a part of the ERT committee which will give the members volunteer status. This will eliminate the cost of Workers Comp expenses. In addition, it will help improve the communication challenges and clarify their lines of responsibility. We are also reviewing the equipment so that we can more easily increase the number of persons who can operate the equipment and drive the vehicles. This will potentially lead to the acquisition of different types of firefighting equipment that will be able to cross the bridge into Section 4 without weight concerns. We will keep everyone informed as we move ahead to improve our capabilities. These adjustments are all being done to improve our ability to protect our homes, our community and our families.

Darlene Stumpf hosted an evening to honor all of our first responders on Saturday, Feb. 16th. We had approximately 65-70 people in attendance not counting the children who were also there for the Pot Luck. It was a great evening for all of us. We came together for the common goal of saying "Thank You" to our first responders. If you could not make it and wish you could have been there to honor them why don't you take a moment to thank them the next time you see team members in the park.

Fraternally,
Frank Haswell
PPMC President



"What we have done for ourselves alone dies with us, what we have done for others and the world remains and is immortal"

Albert Pike



#### MANAGER'S REPORT

Parking around the Park is getting harder and harder to find. Per Paradise Park Masonic Club Rules And Procedures, Section 2.06 Storage of Vehicles states;

"Storage of RV's/Campers/Boats/Trailers or unlicensed vehicles is not permitted unless garaged. Loading, unloading and maintenance is allowed within a 24-hour period without Office approval. Extended parking privileges for up to 72 hours is allowed in the parking area adjacent to the firehouse. A permit must be obtained from the Office, approved by the Manager, and displayed in plain view on the vehicle. Three quarter ton or smaller trucks with campers or van conversions used for primary transportation are not considered RV's. (6/09)"

The parking lot behind the firehouse is not a place to store broken down or extra vehicles. If you do not have parking on your allotment for the vehicles you currently have and are planning on purchasing another one, think about where you will be parking/storing the old one first. If you have contractors, visitors or guests, make sure that they are parking on your allotment. If no parking on your allotment is available then they will need to load/unload and then move their vehicle to one of the Park common parking areas. I understand this is inconvenient, however parking out into the street makes it very dangerous for traffic to pass and could delay emergency vehicles responding to emergencies. This message is **NOT** directed towards any one Member.

Just a friendly reminder that a copy of your 2019 dues card needs to be turned into the office no later than **1 April**.



Spring is just around the corner please start using your green cans to clean up your allotments. The Park might have a few extras if you need them, however we will be using them as much as possible for the common areas. If you have sandbags that you will not be using or that you do not want to keep at your allotment you can return them to the rear of the firehouse and stack them on the pallets.

I would like to thank the Board for approving the purchase of a new utility maintenance vehicle. The Park will be selling/auctioning the blue work truck to offset some of the cost - see the details further in the bulletin.

Please join me in welcoming Jorge (Tony) Saenz to the PPMC team as our new part time maintenance crew member!

Steve

#### **EMERGENCY SIRENS**

The emergency siren will give a long (5 second) BLAST and then short (3 second) BLASTS to identify the location of the trouble in the Park.



Section 1 = 1 Long, 1 Short

Section 2 = 1 Long, 2 Short

Section 3 = 1 Long, 3 Short

Section 4 = 1 Long, 4 Short

Section 6 = 1 Long, 6 Short

#### **MONEY MATTERS**



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It's that time of year again!! April 1st is always a busy time — not only is it April Fool's Day, but second half TADS are due, escape tax payments are due, AND everyone needs to have their Lodge/Chapter dues cards into the Office! While looking at your monthly budgets, please make sure you've included your TADS and escape taxes if applicable.

At the February Open Session Board Meeting, your Directors voted unanimously to adopt a Fundraising procedure and Fundraising Form. Please see page 12 of this bulletin for the R&P wording and stop by the Office if you need the form for your PPMC fundraiser!

We've received the preliminary 2017/2018 Audit, and are working with the CPA's to ensure it's correct and complete. Once we have the final revision, it will be available in the Office for any Member interested in reviewing it. With all the hard work put into this audit by Pat McDonald, I'm hopeful that we've cleaned up the bookkeeping files so next year's will be MUCH easier to complete.

The Budget Committee is currently working diligently on putting together the 2019/2020 Operating Budget. While reviewing the increases in Park necessities like water, electric, propane, etc. it's become more and more clear that we need to increase Park INCOME as well. With that being glaringly apparent, the Committee is going to present the Board with two budgets this year—one will be a "zero budget" as required by the Bylaws, the other will be a "real time" budget with actual costs of running the Park. When those are complete and approved by the Board, I will publish them for the Membership.

Verdie

#### \*\*\* UPCOMING CERT TRAINING \*\*\*



The Basic CERT Training Class prepares you to handle disaster situations at home and in your community. You will learn what to do on your own, and as part of a CERT team. At successful completion of the Basic CERT course, you will receive a Disaster Service Workers badge, good for five (5) years.

Currently scheduled Basic CERT classes
Live Oak – Mar 13,20,27,April 3,6
Watsonville – April 24,May 1,8,15,18
Felton – June 6,12,20,27,29

Note: minimum class enrollment is 20 students, so encourage your friends and neighbors to sign up for classes with you! If there is insufficient enrollment, you will be notified 2 weeks prior to the class start date

Go to santacruzcountycert.org to sign up Please contact Dick Lovelace with questions

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#### PPMC BULLETIN – JANUARY /FEBRUARY 2019

#### **APPROVED Board of Directors OPEN Session Minutes**

December 15, 2018

#### **Opening Items**

Roll Call: 4 Board Members present, with Board Member, Mark Geinger absent. 13 Members signed in. The Invocation was given by Bruce Wildenradt.

The Pledge of Allegiance by Bruce Wildenradt and all in Attendance.

Consideration of Late Additions to the Agenda–Fire Brigade to be added to New Business.

Approval of November 17th, 2018 Open minutes with grammatical typos corrected. Motion to accept made by Bruce Wildenradt, Second by Verdie Polizzi with corrections. Passed 4-0.

#### Manager's Report: Steve Polizzi

The new security cameras have been installed around the Park, including the front gate, back gate, around and in the Office and throughout the Park. The Highway patrol has already requested footage to work a high-speed chase that occurred in and around our Park. Our new cameras will hopefully help law enforcement, as well as Park security. The cameras have a very impressive, clear picture which will help in all security issues. Footage is also held in memory for 30 days which will allow staff to access if needed. The system has already been used to locate a missing package retrieved from the back porch. President Frank adding that the cameras in the Office have 8 different locations with extremely clear images. The Board and Membership would like to publicly thank Sterling Communications for their hard work and contribution to our Park security. End of report.

#### President's Report: Frank Haswell

President Frank reporting that he and CFO Verdie Polizzi went to a case management meeting regarding the lawsuit filed by Member Gary Brandenburg against the Park. They report that the case has been delayed until trial in July of 2020.

Question from member regarding the status of the Scott lawsuit: Frank reporting that the actual appraisal reports have not been submitted as the appraisers need more information. Hoping for more info by next month's meeting.

Question: What exactly is the Brandenburg lawsuit about? Answered by Board Member Verdie Polizzi.

Original lawsuit filed by 1 Member on Royal Arch. In 2016 an additional suit was filed by Mr. Brandenburg. These suits are now joined into one. As of now County winter restrictions remain in place and were upheld by the Judge.

Question: Regarding when the Hillside members were made aware of the winter restrictions? Answer: 5 of the 6 residents were made aware at time of purchase. Frank reporting that they hope to request and receive a permanent injunction on this issue.

Frank also reporting that he walked the Park boundaries with a Member who is also a former fire fighter. They noted that the exit fence has extremely steep terrain. Frank also reporting that the unsheltered and homeless are located above PPMC in Pogonip Park. Because of this, Frank is to send a letter to the county for help in dealing with them and the use of illegal fires. Frank also reporting that since the closing of the Homeless shelter on River Street, by the City of Santa Cruz, the homeless and unsheltered have now moved to an encampment on River street near the river. Frank has talked with the police and the city manager and they report that the property where this new encampment is located is on Caltrans property. In other words, there is nothing the city can do about it.

Frank reporting that he has received approximately 30 questionnaires back from the Membership regarding the handling of the recent Rincon fire. Some very extensive. Most of the responses have been positive with some very good suggestions for change. Manager Steve reporting that the Sirens in the front of the park will be hard wired by an electrician, rather than rely on batteries.

President Frank reporting that he investigated the question asked at the last Board meeting regarding underground utilities. Frank has learned that the cost for such an endeavor would run 5-8 million per mile. He further researched the costs for replacing wooden poles with metal ones and was told the cost would be upwards of 800K. This would explain PG&E's practice of trimming and removing trees. End of report.

#### Open Meeting of the Board of Directors, December 2018—Con't.

#### Treasurer's Report- Verdie Polizzi

CFO Verdie reporting that it's TADS season! The good news is that we have received the highest amount of on time payments and the office is doing well with collections. Verdie reporting that there are 18 members who haven't paid at all and 7 that have short paid. Suspension letters went out to these members in the hopes of receiving all.

Question from Member- The Members that have paid in Full- does the money go to the County? Answer- Not historically, but will investigate with Pat and work on sending those payments to the County.

Verdie also reporting that she received an invoice from our insurance broker for an increase that the Board was unaware of, and didn't authorize, so Verdie questioned. Increase was for the interior contents of places like the Social Hall, Office etc. Verdie wants membership to know that policy will not be increased. It may become necessary in the future but not now. Verdie encouraging any members with insurance experience to get involved and help with insurance processes.

Question form Member regarding the Audit. Will Board look into getting new bids for future audits? Answer- Yes, Board to investigate.

#### Other Board Members- No Report

#### **Committee Reports**

**Accommodation & Accessibility –** Frank Reporting on Chairman's behalf that Fred Dunn-Ruiz is getting drawings for the handicapped bathroom in the picnic grounds. Lift to be installed rather than a ramp. Extensive discussion amongst Members regarding the question of the lift vs. a ramp. Also, discussion about possibly using a porta potty instead for 3 months a year vs. a full remodel or addition. More to follow.

#### Building – No Report

**Bylaws –** Meeting was cancelled this month due to illness of the committee. Currently the committee is working on the Reserve Plan and the functioning of it. They will also be working on the rules for fundraising. Committee learned that the Fire Brigade (for 6 years) and Pot o' Gold (last summer) hadn't accounted for monies from fundraising. This puts PPMC's non-profit status in jeopardy. This is completely unacceptable and needs to be addressed. Correct this situation will become a priority for the Board.

Member Andrew Almanza reminding all that the rules regarding finances are responsibility of all. Details are necessary in Park accounting and bookkeeping.

Verdie also reporting that the PPMC financial records are the best they have been in 10-12 years. She has full faith in the current accounting and bookkeeping practices.

**Covered Bridge** – Big thanks to all the folks that helped to put the Christmas lights on our covered bridge. Question regarding the cleaning of the bridge and the restrictions regarding the conditions demanded by Fish and Game.

Member asking about the Fire Department's usage of the Bridge during the recent Rincon fire. Bob Morgan encouraging an investigation as to any damage that may have been caused. Necessary during the emergency.

#### Historic – No Report

**Insurance** — Sharon Simas reporting that there are also insurance questions concerning the Fire Brigade. Fire Brigade is not fulfilling the necessary requirements. Sharon encouraging the Board to investigate why requirements are not being taken care of.

## Open Meeting of the Board of Directors, December 2018 Committee Reports—Con't.

Extensive discussion between the Board and the members present regarding the importance of the Fire Brigade and the training and certification of them. Board emphasizing heavily that they do NOT want the Fire Brigade disbanded but do want a re-organization of it. Verdie also specifically requesting a radio check of all members currently holding Park radios. Dick Lovelace of the ERT committee asked to conduct and report back. Manager Steve volunteering to help him with this extensive job. To include all ERT, CERT and Fire Brigade members

**ERT –** Dick Lovelace reporting that there is an upcoming CERT training in January at Cabrillo College, a 2<sup>nd</sup> in February in Bonnie Doon, a 3<sup>rd</sup> in March in Live Oak and a 4<sup>th</sup> one in April in Felton. Dick encouraging all to sign up. 5 sessions plus a total review day. Able to sign up at santacruzcountycert.org.

**Long Range Planning –** No report but Committee did meet and had a very productive meeting. Report will be filed at next month's meeting.

**Ocean Street Extension** — Bob Morgan reporting that the city is still patching small potholes on Ocean Street Extension. Still a lot to do though. Bob Morgan is still communicating with the county supervisor to put pressure on for more results.

**Orientation** — Committee one new Orientation this month.

**Recreation –** Committee reporting that they hope the Pot O' Gold issue will be resolved and that the exact dollar amount raised by the fundraiser will be reported to the Board. Big thanks to Donna and John Sorenson for hosting the holiday party this year! Very fun and festive night for all.

#### Staking - No Report

**Tree Committee** – One tree request received at 573 Scottishrite. Motion to approve made by Bruce, Second by Clora passed 4-0

#### **Unfinished Business**

Building request for a fence at 210 Keystone Board concerned that the fence does not fall under the new fence guidelines. The construction of the fence would result in no parking on the allotment, as they demolished the 2-car garage. No motion made by the Board to approve. Fence denied.

#### **New Business**

Staking for 192 St. Bernard. No objections received. Motion to accept made by Verdie Polizzi, second by Bruce Wildenradt, passed 4-0.

Fire Brigade — Discussion of re-organization. Many issues that need to be corrected for the group to function as needed. Currently unacceptable. The Fire Brigade is not responding to financial questions/requirements, Board questions, insurance requirements. Manager Steve has asked the Fire Brigade Chief on numerous occasions, but Chief is not cooperating. The discussion included the subject of the Brush truck and its eventual replacement with the Board explaining, once again, the process. Previous Fire Brigade member, Andrew Almanza clarifying that no one wants to get rid of the Fire Brigade, but it does need restructuring and reorganization.

Sharon Simas, Chair of the Long Range Planning Committee reporting that the Brush truck is a priority of the committee and since the Brigade is not meeting requirement it needs to be addressed.

Member Diane Seaborn Brown accusing the Polizzi family of "running the park" to which most, if not all, members in attendance, disagreed. She believes the Fire Chief should have been personally invited to the meeting. Many members in attendance reminding all that the entire park is invited to all Open meetings. Fire Brigade is a Park entity and they should routinely attend meetings to share what they're doing, especially following a fire in the Park.

## Open Meeting of the Board of Directors, December 2018 New Business —Con't.

Post-fire update: Steve expressing thanks to Sarah and Rick Crampton for doing a lot to help the erosion situation and fire damage. Park has been working with Arborist Bill Vaughn, State Parks and all entities to determine who will be doing what with respect to erosion control. Trees are being dropped and left as a barrier to help secure hillside. The City water dept has been out and emergency services as well. Bill Vaughn specified that it is not a good time to spread seed as this could cause more problems down the road. Chipping is still going on and will continue. Mr. Vaughn to submit a report for the next Board meeting in January.

Sarah Crampton has put in extensive water bars as well as 16, 25-foot water waddles to help with water direction and erosion. Sarah and Rick also Dug out many water bars on King Solomon and Steve delivered large boards to going in new water bars. Lots of work done by Sarah and her husband Rick. Big thanks to the Crampton's for all the work done. So, appreciated by all. Sarah produced an extensive report from the forester. Manager Steve offering to reimburse Sarah and Rick for the Waddles they installed on Parks' behalf. Sarah requesting that King Solomon be re graveled at Park's expense, CFO Verdie asking for specifics in order to make that happen (reimbursement).

#### **OPEN FORUM**

Member Leigh Wunce expressing appreciation to the current Board of Directors and the transparency of their actions. She realizes there's a lot of behind the scenes work done by all that Members are not aware of. Leigh appreciates. Leigh also thanking Sarah and Rick Crampton for all the work done by which helps all the houses below them!

Member Bob Morgan asking about the Reserve Plan. Answer: It has been sent to the Bylaws Committee to draft. Bylaws committee working on it and will present next month in Open Session.

Sharon Simas asking about the repaving of streets and reporting that this was discussed by Long Range Planning. Will be done when weather is warmer and drier for process to be successful.

Member Diane Seaborn Brown requesting Eblasts sent out prior to meetings declaring what is to be discussed.

Manager Steve expressing disappointment that people think he and his family are doing anything other than good for the Park. He is saddened and hurt that his hard work is viewed by some as overstepping. Sharon Simas thanking Steve for all his hard work and hoping he knows not all share those opinions and all appreciate all that he does in and around the Park.

Frank asking for any more input or discussion. None received.

Meeting adjourned at 11:42 a.m.

## PPMC 2019 Annual Meeting Saturday, July 6th

## March Open Session Board Meeting

Saturday, March 23rd, 2019 Small Social Hall 9:30 a.m.

Come join your fellow Members, and share your concerns, ideas, suggestions, etc. with the Board

#### PPMC BULLETIN – JANUARY /FEBRUARY 2019

#### **APPROVED Board of Directors OPEN Session Minutes**

January 19, 2019

#### **Opening Items:**

Roll Call: All Board Members present. 24 Members signed in.

The Invocation was given by Bruce Wildenradt.

The Pledge of Allegiance by Bruce Wildenradt and all in Attendance.

Consideration of Late Additions to the Agenda–None

Executive Meeting Minutes – Clora Johnston — October 2018 Executive minutes read. Correction needed at 1.1 A - Regarding the discussion of the new camera system and its retention of images, Minutes stated it was retained for 2 weeks, when in actuality it retains information for 30 days. Motion made by Verdie and second by Bruce- Minutes approved- 5-0

November Minutes read. Motion to accept made by Bruce Wildenradt, Second by Verdie Polizzi. Passed 5-0. December Executive Minutes read. Corrections made.

D-Regarding receipt of TADS. 18 did not pay and additional 8 short paid for a total of 26.

B- Regarding Pot O' Gold funds. Board voted for clarification. Motion made by Verdie to approve Second by Bruce Passed 5-0.

Member John Mancini questioning subjects discussed in Closed session. Four subjects discussed in closed session should be discussed in Open Session, per our bylaws. President Frank agreeing with John and will work to correct.

#### Manager's Report: Steve Polizzi

If you have a function that you want open to the Membership go thru the Rec. Comm. to have it added to the list of Park sponsored events.

When the power goes out please call PG&E, we do not have any additional in the office on the outage.

If you are looking for a package and the tracking online says it was delivered and we do not have it, please call the sender or delivery company to inquire where it is.

When walking you dogs please clean up after them, there is an increase in member's just letting their dogs' poop on the road and leaving it.

I would like to have the Board look into how we are sending out the bulletin as the cost of printing and stamps is on the rise and some members get it electronically and want a paper copy.

Dues cards are due 1 April 2019.

Electrician will be out to hard wire the emergency siren for section 6.

#### President's Report: Frank Haswell

President Frank sharing a list of letters that he sent to various entities involved or have interest in the Rincon Fire. Letters sent to Henry Cowell State Park, Roaring Camp Railroad, Santa Cruz City, Parks and Recreation, Board Supervisors Caltrans, Mayor and City Council, etc. Letters sent out December 27, 2018. If there is no response received, Frank to follow up with phone calls. Member Bob Morgan asking about the contents of the letters, which led Frank to read aloud the template of the letters sent. Information included in the letter; Illegal Camping, Illegal fires, Homeless etc. Frank encouraging all entities to address issues and help PPMC. Members in attendance approving of the letters sent and hope for results.

#### Treasurer's Report: Verdie Polizzi

Dec 2018 TADS update— 10 Members have not paid or short paid, totaling \$13,000. Verdie has been contacting Members and is encouraged by the responses. Member John Mancini asking if all members owing money are on payment plans? Answer- No. Verdie to follow up with Members who haven't responded with termination notices.

Member Bob Morgan thanking CFO Verdie for the exemplary work the transparency and the great communication.

#### Other Board Members- No Reports

#### **Committee Reports**

Accommodation & Accessibility - Planning to meet tomorrow, January 20, 2019.

**Building – No Report** 

## Open Meeting of the Board of Directors, January 2019 Committee Reports Cont.

**Bylaws** — They are still working on projects. They have put together a phenomenal Reserve Plan. Committee reporting that it has been divided between the Bylaws and the Rules and Procedures. The wording is to be approved by the Board after further study. Board Liaison Verdie encouraging all members to research, read, be involved is this very important discussion.

Member - John Mancini asking if Board would consider having a Town Hall meeting.

Answer- Yes, possibly multiple Town Hall meetings. Manager Steve also reminding all about the possibility of using and online program called Zoom, which would allow members out of the park to view meetings online. Committee is also working on an assessment increase to \$38.00 per 100 Sq. Ft. up from \$32.00. Bylaws Committee, CFO and bookkeeper to put information together. Bookkeeper Pat informing all that the PPMC Water bill has been received and as of now park is overbudget where Water bill is concerned. Her opinion the increase is necessary.

#### Covered Bridge - No Report

#### Historic - No Report

**Insurance** — Sharon Simas reporting that there remain questions regarding the Fire Brigade. Asking if the reorganization has occurred. Answer from Frank is that 3 Directors met with Chief Butch Downing regarding the Fire Brigade and discussion was laid out with what needs to be done — there are 5 specific things that Fire Brigade needs to produce within 60 days. Question for Member John Mancini- Does the Fire Brigade have a deadline for producing the necessary fundraising documentation? Answer: Yes, 60 days.

**Budget** — They met last Sunday and looked at the actual costs of running the Corporation. Items like postage costs are over budget as a result of bulleting costs, certified letter costs etc. Important for the Committee to take a long hard look at the current budget. Bookkeeper Pat McDonald reporting that the new Member fees of 10K go to the Reserve Fund account. There are now only 2 houses for sale in the Park. Pat believes it is a stagnant period for sales. Encouraging the Budget committee to update thinking.

**ERT –** Dick Lovelace informing all about upcoming CERT classes in and around Santa Cruz. There is currently a wait list for existing classes but more classes to come. Dick encouraging all Members to sign up quickly when new classes are offered, as they do fill up fast! PPMC CERT team is still in need of young, strong members to join CERT team. Current members are aging and the need for new team members is important.

CERT team was on high alert during the recent rain storms but happy to report damage was minimal. A few downed limbs, some power outages but none too severe.

Dick reporting that a radio check is in the process of being done. There are 25 radios but currently 2 have not been located. If any hone has a radio that has not been contact, please inform Dick or the office. Dick encouraging an upgrade on the current A.E.D. machines. The current machines are out of date. Dick encouraging all to update as they are an important part of emergencies. Member Sam Cannon asking if the Office of Emergency Services has been contacted to see if PPMC may be qualified to receive state funds. Sam volunteering to investigate it on the Parks behalf.

**Long Range Planning –** Committee had a very productive meeting. No Report for today. Sharon Simas, Committee Chair did clarify that the software recently approved for purchase had gone up in price from what was originally reported. Now \$799 was \$399. Committee requests approval from Board. Motion made by Verdie to approve this increase Second by Clora. 5-0 Passed.

**Orientation**— Performed 1 Associate Member application and 1 Alternate Associate application.

**Recreation** — Donna Sorenson reporting that the Rec Committee meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month and all Park Members are welcome to attend. Meetings take place in the Small Social Hall. Donna reporting that new chairs have been purchase and new volleyball court lines as well. Steve letting all know the chairs have already been delivered. Committee also discussing the possibility of a Park Wide Yard sale. It is still in the planning stages so Members can contact Tami MacDonald or Donna Sorenson with suggestions or questions. Members in attendance were very excited by this idea.

Open Meeting of the Board of Directors, January 2019 Committee Reports Cont.

Staking - No Report Tree – No Report

#### **Unfinished Business**

At this point, Board Member Verdie was able to locate the Bylaw information that the Bylaws Committee has been working on regarding the Reserve Plan. She read it aloud to the Membership. There was a lot of discussion regarding this subject with Members questioning how it would work. It was decided that the Board would first review the Committee's recommendation and discuss in detail. Once the Board will then vote on it in Open Session where copies of the proposal will be made available.

#### **New Business**

President Frank informing all that the Board-directed fire ban has now been removed. Voted on by the Board 5-0

PPMC website was brought up. It is underutilized. Verdie would like to see it include Board minutes, Park information etc. Some members asking about creating a Park blog on the website. Answer - the question of WHO would monitor would be an issue, Member Sam Cannon brought up the question of 1st Amendment rights for whomever was controlling additions to the blog. Strongly suggested against a Park blog.

Bulletin — Board would like it streamlined. Encouraging all Members to view online. Discussion with in the Members about electronic vs. Hard copies. Possible solution being to charge for Members that insist on hard copies every month. Member Fred Dunn-Ruiz commenting that it may require a bylaw change as it may say that the Bulletin will need to be "Mailed". Research needed.

Discussion led to costs of sending Certified mailings. Questioned whether first class would be acceptable. Postage costs are set to go up in the coming weeks, Board would like to combat this by lowering number of hard copy bulletins and limit Certified Mailings.

Member Bob Morgan in favor of a Park Blog for expressing opinions and information.

President Frank reporting that he assigned JoAnn Nelson as Chair of the Nomination Committee. Process has begun for this year's election process. Director Verdie reminding Frank that per PPMC Bylaws, that isn't how the Nominating Committee is formed, to which Frank responded that he already did it.

#### **OPEN FORUM**

Member Sharon Simas commending the Board and Manager for implementing fuel breaks in the forest. Steve and crew took on a lot of criticism for cutting these fuel breaks, but they should be thanked and commended for the work. Most Members who opposed these breaks are uneducated to the importance of them.

Member Donna Sorenson asking if the profits from fundraising will be published? Answer- Yes. Also inquired about the Fire Brigade proceeds and what the status was. Bylaw Committee working on fundraising R&P. Frank reminding that at the meeting with the Fire Brigade Chief was directed to produce fundraising information and given a 60-day deadline.

Member Kurt Likins asking if the Fire Brigade services equal their costs? Kurt believes the Fire Brigade should be disbanded and replaced with new, cost saving procedures. Does it make cost sense? Research needs to be done. Not personal, just needs to be studied. Member Bob Morgan emphasizing that the "tail is wagging the dog" in reference to Fire Brigade Chief doing as he pleases. Board to instruct the Chief what to do. Bob encouraging the Board to take charge of the situation. CFO Verdie reiterating that's she does not want to do away with the Fire Brigade. She does want it reorganized and all members CERT trained.

Member Fred Dunn-Ruiz asking about the status of Washington Pathway. Steve and Board reporting that this has been discussed at length at past Board meetings. There are many agencies, studies, etc. that need to be done prior to being able to consider moving forward—Hydrologist reports and the like which are extremely costly.

## Open Meeting of the Board of Directors, January 2019 Open Forum Cont.

Member John Mancini complaining about Park trucks parking in front of the Social Hall lower doors. John complaining that it makes it difficult for others to navigate parking and backing out of spots across the street. Please do not do.

Member Donna Sorenson asking for clarification regarding Park fines. Reporting that a Member is spreading information that she was fined for Hosting an event. Donna concerned that people will stop hosting if this is the case. Board clarifying that the Member in question was not find for hosting an event but rather was fined for her own behavior, not for others' actions.

Frank asking for any more input or discussion. None-received. Meeting adjourned at 11:20a.m.

#### BOARD APPROVED R&P CHANGES/ADDITIONS\*

PROPOSED R&P CHANGE — temporary Board Directive approved at 12/18 Board Open Session:

#### 6. FENCES ON ALLOTMENTS

6.01 The Board of Directors must approve the construction of any new fence, latticework, privacy screen or barricade (hereby known as a "fence"). Any Member who wishes to construct such a fence must submit proposed plans or drawings to the Board as to the specific details of the proposed action.

#### A. No fence shall:

- 1. be considered an allotment boundary marker, as is referenced in Bylaw XYZ;
- 2. be anchored to the ground and shall be moveable by an average person;
- 3. not exceed 4' in height at its highest point measured from the ground; or face a street.

#### B. Fences may:

- 1. be constructed with wood or composite material; and
- 2. be stained or painted a natural color of woodland hues.

All fences shall resemble one of the 3 options as illustrated in the building packet.

Any existing fences that do not meet the above criteria will be allowed to remain until they fail or want/need to be replaced, at which point it must follow this Rule & Procedure.

#### PROPOSED R&P ADDITION — temporary Board Directive approved 2/19 Board Open Session:

23.**FUNDRAISING** - All fundraising for PPMC must be approved by the Board of Directors prior to the fundraiser.

23.01 Fundraising Form – Obtain the Fundraiser Form at the Office. Complete the top portion of the form and submit it to the Board of Directors for approval.

23.02 Advertising – All advertising must state purpose of fundraiser. Signage stating purpose of the fundraiser shall be posted at the event.

23.03 Fundraising Monies – Income and expenses shall be tracked using the Fundraiser Form. All cash and checks raised, and receipts for expenses shall be submitted to the Office with the completed form within one week of the event. Any expenses shall be reimbursed to the event coordinator no later than 14 days of receipt of the Fundraising Form and supporting documentation. After the completion of the proposed project, with input provided by fundraising group/committee, any excess funds raised shall only be spent for other Board approved PPMC recreational purposes. No monies received from the fundraiser shall be deposited into any personal accounts.

\*the changes/additions above will be included in the 2019 ballot for a vote of the Membership.

#### Improvements for Sale by Member

All allotment use privileges and Membership are subject to the approval of the Board of Directors.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** The sellers solely provide the descriptions of improvements for sale. Such information is not verified or checked for accuracy by Paradise Park Masonic

Inc. The Club does not warrant, and disclaims any responsibility for, the accuracy, truthfulness or completeness of any information provided.

SECTION 1			
451 York Ave.	Lisa and Mike Leong 831-457-8306 or 650-787-0586 1jscruz451@sbcglobal.net Mikelfire@att.net	\$339,00	PPMC original redwood split log cabin (built in 1927) that's been updated into a move in ready 2 bedroom/1 Bath home including: Earthquake retrofitted foundation, fully insulated drywall interior, copper plumbing & new electrical, double pane windows & newer cellular shades, modern kitchen with granite countertops & dishwasher, new propane heater. Large storage shed & detached laundry room with lots of shelving. New front load washer and dryer included. Sunny backyard with vegetables beds & ideal space for outdoor entertainment including fire pit and outdoor furniture!
505 Amaranth	Christine Woodworth Contact: Mark Zevanove Agent (831) 588-2089	\$399,000	Beautiful compound featuring a 2 BR/1 BA main house with a 1 BD/1BA guest cottage as well as a garage with adjacent workshop. Over 100K in recent upgrades, including a new septic, electrical and plumbing. Both the kitchen and the bathroom have been remodeled; All new appliances including washer, dryer and dishwasher. Lots of parking. Must see to appreciate!
SECTION 2			
293 The Royal Arch	Jerrol Largin Contact: Greg Wheatley 209-915-3804	All Serious Offers Considered	Buildable allotment for sale near picnic grounds. Includes existing septic tank and plans.

All questions about an allotment improvement should be addressed solely to the seller.



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS PENDING					
Applicant	Date Posted	Member/Seller	Allotment		
<b>MEMBER</b> Ken Willson	02/13/2019	C.R. Downing	592 Keystone Way		
ASSOCIATE MEMBERS					
Jesslin Crouch	03/21/2017	Shari Crouch	410 Keystone Way		
George Kane	07/11/2017	Harry Kane	277 Keystone Way		
Alan Mac	12/05/2018	Lisa Mac	602 Keystone Way		
Zachary Caldwell	10/9/2018	Sandra Caldwell	459 York Ave.		
Alan Mac	12/05/2018	Lisa Mac	602 Keystone Way		
Martha Miller	01/02/2019	Florence Gustafson	134 St. Alban		
Jane Ramsay	02/04/2019	Kerry Anne Ramsay	5784 Scottishrite		
Margot Delgado	02/06/2019	Nason	373 Hiram		
ALT.ASSOCIATE MEMBERS					
Joy Kane	07/11/2017	Harry Kane	277 Keystone Way		

### **2019 BALLOT PROPOSALS**

The following ballot proposals were presented to the Membership at the February 2019 Open Session meeting. The proposed additions will be on the 2019 ballot. Approved 5-0.

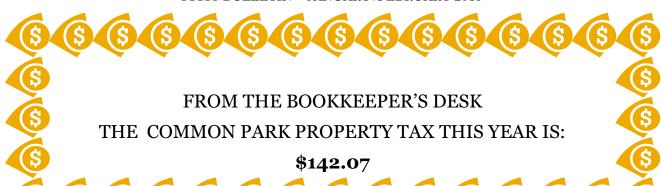
#### ARTICLE XIII RESERVE PLAN

The members of PPMC hereby establish a Reserve Plan, consisting of a Reserve Policy, Reserve Study, and Reserve Fund.

- 1. RESERVE POLICY The stated policy of this Reserve Plan is to provide for the maintenance, repair and replacement of Paradise Park Masonic Club corporate physical assets as identified by the Reserve Study; to provide for a means of accumulating funds for that purpose; and, except as provided herein, to assure that the accumulated monies in the Reserve Fund are only used for the intended purposes expressed herein.
- **2. RESERVE STUDY** The Reserve Study is an established listing of PPMC corporate physical assets. The purpose of the Study is the identification, evaluation, maintenance assumptions, and estimation of the remaining useful life, of all corporate assets. The Study shall be professionally updated annually.
- **3. RESERVE FUND** The Reserve Plan is funded by 90% of new member initiation fees, and by other sources of funding as approved by a vote of the Membership. Reserve Fund monies shall be held separate from any other Park funds, and held in insured accounts. An annual reporting of Reserve Funds acquired and spent will be presented to the Membership by the Board at the Annual Meeting.

## RULES & PROCEDURES RESERVE PLAN

- **22. RESERVE PLAN** In accordance with PPMC Bylaw XIII, Sections 1-3, this Procedure defines the function and operation of the Reserve Plan.
- 22.01 All spending of Reserve Funds must be in accordance with the parameters laid out in the Reserve Study. The PPMC Board of Directors maintains all responsibility for the spending of Reserve Funds.
- 22.02 In the event of a Board-declared emergency, Reserve Fund monies may be borrowed and shall be repaid within one calendar year from the date of borrowing. The Membership shall be informed of the use of funds at the next stated meeting of the Board of Directors and in the next monthly bulletin. The initial recourse for repayment will be by a Reserve Plan Special Assessment of the Membership. If the vote for the Assessment fails, the Board of Directors will be forced to seek funds from lending institutions.



# SHIRTS FOR SALE







Limited Strains of the strains of th

<u>STYLE</u>	COLOR	SIZE	<u>QTY</u>	PRICE
T-Shirt	Forest Green	S	1	\$10
T-Shirt	Gray	S	3	\$10
T-Shirt	Gray	M	2	\$10
T-Shirt	Gray	XL	2	\$10
Long sleeve T	Gray	M	3	\$16
Long sleeve T	Gray	2XL	2	\$15
Sweatshirt	Forest Green	S	2	\$21
Sweatshirt	Forest Green	M	2	\$16
Sweatshirt	Gray	S	1	\$16
Sweatshirt	Gray	M	1	\$16
Sweatshirt	Gray	L	2	\$21
Sweatshirt	Gray	2XL	2	\$16
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To order, call Fred 831-247-3097

In an effort to reduce postage costs, we would like to encourage **ALL** Members to receive the PPMC Bulletin <u>electronically.</u> If you haven't already, please call or email our office to add your email address to the list. Phone: 831-423-1530

Email: Annie@ppmc-sc.org

#### **PPMC SOCIAL EVENTS**

#### **REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS**

<u>GOLFER'S FUN PLAY</u>: A group of PPMC folks play 9-holes at Valley Gardens in Scotts Valley **most Wednesday mornings**. If you would like to join in, contact Winston Chavoor at 831/824-8935.

<u>KNITTIN' KITTENS</u> meet the **1st Monday** of the month at 10:00 a.m. in the Small Social Hall. They play Canasta. For more information, contact Pat Rundell at 831/421-9360.

<u>TUESDAY COFFEE</u> meets every Tuesday morning In the Small Social Hall at 9:00 a.m.

<u>STITCH AND MUNCH</u>: ALL interested stitchers - Crochet, Embroidery, Knitting, Needlepoint, Quilting, Sewing (Other?) Is held on the **3rd Monday** at the Social Hall from 11 am to 3 pm; bring a brown bag lunch. For more information, call Sue Lovelace at 831/420-0501.

<u>PARADISE PARK QUILTS OF VALOR</u> meet 1st and 3rd Fridays, 10:30 a.m. at the Lovelace's 501 Amaranth. All quilters are welcome. For more information, call Sue Lovelace at 831/420-0501.

WINE AND CHEESE meets the on the Friday preceding the Board meeting.

**SOCIAL HALL POTLUCKS** will be held the **3rd Saturday** of the month beginning with a social at 5:30 PM following with a dinner at 6:00 PM. Please bring a dish to share, place settings and beverage of choice. Remember, our community is the heart and soul of Paradise Park; that means every one of you! Hosts needed for Potlucks from November 2017 - June 2018. To volunteer please contact Elizabeth Arzouni at 831/427-0475 or email at e.arzouni@gmail.com.

#### **MARCH**

SOCIAL HALL POTLUCK will be MARCH 16th beginning with a social at 5:30 following with a dinner at 6:00 PM. A HOST IS NEEDED.

#### **APRII**

**EASTER EGG HUNT** is scheduled for Saturday, April 20th, 2019 HOST IS NEEDED

#### **SUMMER**

**VOLUNTEER Needed** to make the trophies for the Labor Day tournaments. If you would be willing or want more info, contact Fred Dunn-Ruiz at 831/426-6472.



## LABOR DAY 2019 AUCTION



Please contact Fred Dunn-Ruiz to help organize & run the Auction!

#### Helpers are needed to:

Chair or Co-Chair the event Manage donation inventory

Solicit donations from merchants Price donation values

Set up display tables Close silent auction display tables

Sell raffle tickets

Spot during live auction

Collect money

Be an Auctioneer

Clean up after event

Call 831-426-6472 or email Fred at dunnruiz@gmail.com



## **HOW TO REGISTER FOR REVERSE 9-1-1**



Step 1) Go to SCR911.org

Step 2) Scroll down to:

Register your Cellular or VOIP Phone for Reverse 9-1-1 Emergency Notifications



**Step 3)** Click on either link to include your cellular or VOIP phone in the Emergency Notification system used by Santa Cruz Regional 9-1-1 personnel



# DUES RECEIPTS ARE DUE IN THE PPMC OFFICE BY APRIL 1, 2019



**GET YOURS IN TODAY!!!** 

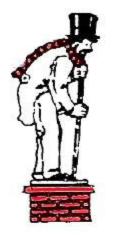
#### 2019 NOMINATING COMMITTEE



JoAnn Nelson (831)-426-1505 Eddi Brown (831)-426-2468 Ken Cox (650)325-7254 Julie Kelty (831) 425-1223 Sue Lovelace (831) 420-0501



Please contact any member of the committee if you are interested in running for the Board of Directors.





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Beautiful compound featuring a 2BR/1BA main house with a 1BR/1BA guest cottage as well as a garage with adjacent workshop. Over 100K in recent upgrades, including a new septic, electrical and plumbing. Both the kitchen and bath have been remodeled. All new appliances including washer, dryer & dishwasher. Lots of parking. Must see to appreciate!

#### \$399,000

 $\label{likelihood} \begin{tabular}{ll} Licensed since 1978 with over $250,000,000 in Sales-Servicing PPMC and all Northern California. \\ Since June 2-11, Mark Zevanove has sold the improvements at the following addresses: \\ \end{tabular}$ 

192 St. Bernard	703 St. John	265 Keystone	182 St. Bernard
190 St. Bernard	183 St. Bernard	679 St. Paul	585 Keystone Way
140 St. Alban	252 Keystone Way	645 St. Augustine	113 Keystone Way
116 Keystone	284 Keystone Way	699 St. John	422 Joppa
652 St. Augustine	417 Joppa	$463~{ m York}$	462 Eastern Star
184 St. Bernard	383 Hiram	159 St. Victor	145 St. Alban
169 St. Bernard	604 Keystone Way	512 Courtesy Lane	532 St. Ambrose
505 Amaranth	179 St. Bernard	336 Royal Arch	210 Keystone Way
191 St. Bernard	518 Courtesy	407 Keystone Way	574 Scottishrite
345 Royal Arch	385 Hiram	148 St. Alban	405 Consistory
457 York	601 Keystone Way	252 Keystone Way	585 Keystone Way
177 St. Bernard			

These sales have generated \$240,000 for the Park in initiation fees







# 1998 Chevy Silverado 1500

(a.k.a. "The Blue Truck")

short bed — 4x2

4.3L — V6 — 81,378 miles

VIN: 1GCEC14W3WZ218018



### **MINIMUM BID:** \$3,800

The Park is selling the blue work truck, and would like to offer it to the membership for purchase by sealed bid. If you would like to make an offer, please fill in the form below and return it to the Office in a sealed envelope with "TRUCK OFFER" written on the back. On March 23rd, the Board will open the bid envelopes and the highest bidder will be contacted.

Name:		Allotment #:
Contact Information:		
Phone:		Email:
	Bid Amount: \$	