# RANCHO HEIGHTS ROAD AND MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE Annual Meeting Minutes – 2018

Date: October 13, 2018 Location: Vail Headquarters History Center / Temecula, CA Time: 9:00 – 11:30

# Committee Members Attending:

Sharon Wagner, Bradley Lee, Mary Anne Schetter, Jan Geller, Jon Driscoll

# Property Owners Attending:

A. Borges, M. Sherr, W. Wagner, J. Kilker, S. Thomas, J. Almendarez, R. Steffey, R.&J. Bume, P. Smith, D.&D. Wilkins, E. Rose, B. Shaw, J. Geller, M. Dudley, C. Glasgow, L. Lowrie, N. Martin, J. Lucas, N.&R. Njegovan, B. & J. Marquez, K.&L. Booth, A.& I. Miles, L. Pyle, G. Tellier

# Call to order:

Chairman Bradley Lee called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m .

# Election of Committee Members:

Committee Member Sharon Wagner read and explained today's nomination and voting process. Two volunteers were selected for the counting of the vote; Becky Barfnecht and Bill Smith.

## Nominations:

Two Open Committee Seats: Those of Mary Anne Schetter and John Driscoll: Terms expire October, 2020.

# Candidates:

Dan Rose, nominated by James Szepkouski, seconded by Jonathan Geller David Lowrie, nominated by Bill Smith, seconded by James Szepkouski MaryAnneSchetter, nominated by Bradley Lee, seconded by Jan Geller

## Explanation of Voting Procedures: Cori Szepkouski

## 2018 Financial Report:

Report prepared by bookkeeper Cori Szepkouski for Fiscal Year September 2017 – August 2018.

Report was read by Committee Member Mary Anne Schetter. Questions were taken from Property Owners in attendance with detailed explanations/answers given. Note: A copy of this Fiscal Year's Financial Report was included in the Annual Mailing to Property Owners – See Report.

**Emergency Account:** Targeted at \$25,000 on ongoing basis. This is intended to be used for true road safety emergencies such as the loss of a road in a storm. Account was reduced below this level at this time due to paving and construction expense but will be restored with the upcoming collection of assessments.

## Road Report: by Property-Owner James Szepkouski

Provided hand-out to attendees of color-coded map of entire road system

Map broken into strategic categories

- Road sections in good condition
- Road sections needing AC patching and seal-coating
- Road sections needing AC overlay only
- Road sections needing removal and replacement
- Existing unpaved roads
- Existing unpaved roads needing grading
- Pot holes needing patching
- New curbs needed to control water flow line
- Flow line work needed / add rip-rap.
- Discussion held on Lost Horizon and continuing plance for future maintenance

Arizona crossing - the investment of over \$10,000 provided for the headwall being rebuilt.

## Legal Report: by Committee Member Jan Geller

#### Small Claims Cases / Accounts Receivable

A detailed breakdown was provided by Jan who has been volunteering to represent Rancho Heights in Small Claims Court relative to the collection of delinquent assessments. As of the date of this meeting, only 6 property owners were delinquent in their assessments. These 6 owners will be processed through Small Claims Court in the next few months.

**Superior Court:** We have one case in which the Court has ruled in favor of Rancho Heights with collections pending.

# Committee Members Annual Accumulated Hours by Jon Driscoll

752 hours were volunteered by Committee Members this past year representing essentially "free work". Thanks to our all Committee Members who volunteered their time. Those in attendance thanked and applauded Committee members for their contribution.

## Ballot Results / Vote Count for Candidate Committee Members:

Dan Rose: 52 Davidn Lowrie: 39 Mary Ann Schetter: 23 As a result of this vote, the above three candidates all join the Road Committee serving terms through October, 2020. We all thank Mary Ann Schetter and Jon Driscoll for their devoted service and welcome Dan and Dave to the Committee.

#### **Open Discussion Items**

Attendees were allowed 3 minutes of floor time.

**Gate Safety:** The gate is not intended nor considered to provide absolute security. Rather, it is an effective deterrent which has greatly diminished non-resident traffic. Discussion included: security cameras and signs related to vehicles entering illegally by "piggy-backing" other vehicles entering legally.

**Gate Security Camera:** Project is in development – was working with specialized contractor but vendor became unsatisfactory. Further research is being conducted and this project will be accomplished before summer. Chairman Bradley Lee discussed additional considerations pertaining to community security.

#### Law Enforcement Activites and Neighborhood Watch – Bradley Lee

First Rule: "See Something, Say Something". First call should be Sheriff, then Rancho Heights. The SHERIFF'S NON-EMERGENCY NUMBER IS 760-751-4400.

## Fire Safety Council – Jon Driscoll

Property owner Jon Driscoll discussed proceeding with a resident-based group to serve as a Fire Council. Fire Councils are an established entity working within a community who organizes as a 501C3 and work with similar organizations to seek grants to provide fire-related support services to the Community. Such groups are independent from management groups such as the RHRMC. They apply for government grants which can support efforts such as brush removal from along our roads and other fire-related services. Jon is involved with a Fire Council in a community in Julian where he is a property owner. If anyone is Interested in working with Jon in this area, please send an email to the Road Committee and we will get you in touch with Jon.

#### Adjournment

Move to adjourn by Chairman Lee at 11:38 a.m. Seconded by John Driscoll