

Conkling Park Area Community Association Annual Meeting Minutes Sunday, July 7, 2013

Attendance – included board members Sandie Virga, Phil Frederickson, Jerry Metz and Bill Swick as well as approximately 45 other Conkling Park property owners, family members and guests. Attending members represented a total of approximately 26 Conkling Park properties.

Call meeting to order – Acting president Sandie Virga called the meeting to order at 1:40pm, introduced present CPACA board members, and noted that Sam Meyle has resigned from the board since he and Carole are selling their Conkling Park residence and will be moving out of the area. Jerry Metz has agreed to assume the role of treasurer until the newly-configured board is formed and duties assigned. She recognized Sam for his many long-standing contributions to the Association in his role as Treasurer and Board Member and echoed the sentiment that he and Carole will be greatly missed in the community.

Financial report – Treasurer Jerry Metz submitted the Report for the period ending June 30, 2013. The June 30 checkbook balance was \$2,621.56, which included \$390 in revenue consisting of \$290 in membership dues and a \$100 grant from Firewise. Total expenditures amounted to \$354.68 for production of the Fireworks signs. The current balance is slightly ahead of last year's \$2,586 balance. Russ Trowbridge moved that the report be approved, seconded by Eleanor McCarthy and passed by voice vote.

Old Business

- 2012 Annual Meeting Minutes – Secretary – Jerry Metz indicated that minutes from the July 2012 Annual Meeting had been e-mailed to the membership on two different occasions and have also been posted on the Website (www.cpaca.org) for review. Marien Barton moved that the minutes be approved without a reading, seconded by Connie Trowbridge and approved by voice vote.
- Firewise committee report: Community Firewise chair Phil Frederiksen reported on activities at both the state and federal level and indicated that approximately 800 communities throughout the country participate in Firewise. He also mentioned that Idaho has a Firewise website and a newsletter is posted regularly. Conkling Park continues to look for opportunities to apply for grant money, though available funding has been limited due to the state of the economy. This past year we received a grant for the fireworks signage.
- Fireworks Signage – Sam Meyle reported that a total of 4 quality signs were constructed of plywood and were predominantly displayed at key entrance points to Conkling Park. Dwayne Heintz took the lead on this project and was thanked for his efforts. Overall, it was felt that fireworks usage this July was down, continuing a downward trend as the associated dangers and fire risk are communicated to the community and the public.
- Fiberoptic Cable availability – Jerry Metz reported on the status of this federally-funded project to extend cable service to the communities within the reservation. The first phase is due to be complete in mid August and will consist of completing the “backbone”, which is the buried cable from Rockford Bay running south on route 95 to Bremner Road. Additional phases will then place aerial lines into the various communities. Jerry mentioned that the deadline to send notice of interest to Red Spectrum Communications was again extended basically to this meeting time. The question was raised concerning how a resident will know

if his form expressing interest has been received and has been recorded. Jerry said that the only way to be sure is to contact Red Spectrum Communications (see address below) to confirm interest. No fee structure has been finalized, and a variety of different service packages are being explored. The contact address is:

Red Spectrum Communications
 PO Box 229
 111 N. 8th Street
 Plummer, Idaho 83851

New Business

- Conkling Park Marina Update: Tom Kilpatrick provided an update, indicating that the marina is back with a few changes. Tim Kilpatrick is the general manager and this past Saturday night was the busiest ever. Tom is open to suggestions for improvement and the email address is **tomkirkp@gmail.com**. Some issues were raised: problems with vapor lock when fueling at the dock; litter in the street from the marina to the boat storage area; spillover garbage from the dumpster which could be alleviated via a tarp. In closing, Tom indicated no intention of selling, that they are here for the long term and that they appreciate the support of the community.
- Kootenai Electric Line Improvement Project and Pending Electric Rate Change – Bill Swick, currently serving as a KEC board director, reported on the project currently in progress on Conkling Road to improve electric service into the community. It will be done in two separate projects, the first on Hwy. 95 from Conkling Road to Sunny Slopes Road and the second on Conkling Road from Hwy. 95 to Conkling Park. It is intended to end problems with variation in voltage and to improve overall reliability in the service. The project is scheduled for completion in early November. Bill also mentioned that a rate proposal has been sent out to KEC members and that comments back to Kootenai Electric are encouraged. The Board will hold a meeting on the proposed rate change with the membership in August and then make a final decision. The rate change will be effective in the fall.
- Area Break-in's – Bill Swick – current statistics indicate that 1 in 11 households in the Spokane area are victims to break-in's. Although property crime in Conkling Park occurs much less frequently, some incidents have occurred in Conkling Park. It is vitally important that all suspicious activity be reported to the police and that reports are filed for break-in's and property loss. Either the tribe or the county sheriff can be contacted. The preferred method seems to be contact with the Sheriff's office first and then they will make the determination of who will follow up with the homeowner. Larry Ham also commented that it is essential in the event of loss to follow up and testify if the perpetrator is caught and brought to trial.
- Website Management – Phil Fredericksen – once again, members are encouraged to access the website, which is updated with board and annual meeting minutes as well as links to other sites of interest. The bi-annual renewal fee will be due in the upcoming year. As a reminder, the website is www.CPACA.org, the contact person is jernetz@yahoo.com, and the new CPACA address is **PO Box 1, Plummer, Idaho 83851**. This address may also be used to submit the annual \$10 donation if it hasn't already been done.
- CPACA Mailings – Jerry Metz – future CPACA communications will routinely be done by e-mail and/or website. Members wishing to receive communication via US Mail will need to contact the Secretary to request hard copy. Those wishing to do so please contact Jerry Metz at CPACA; PO Box 1, Plummer, Idaho 83851.

Board Elections – Jerry Metz

- Expiring terms – Donna Francis, Sandie Virga, Ted Tylman. Sam Meyle is resigning his position. Ted will not be running for another term and we greatly appreciate his long-term dedication to the CPACA Board and membership, where he has served a key role in establishing our association as an important part of the community. Donna and Sandie have agreed to run for another term. A motion was made to elect both Sandie and Donna to the board, seconded and approved by voice acclamation.
- Board openings and nominations from the floor - Larry Ham was nominated from the floor; Larry graciously consented to run for election. Additionally, Dale Newberry was nominated and he also accepted. Both nominations were seconded and approved by voice acclamation from the membership. Congratulations to our two new Board Members!
- Makeup of Board of Directors – Donna Francis; Sandie Virga; Phil Fredericksen; Jerry Metz; Bill Swick; Larry Ham; Dale Newberry

Adjournment

Elections and agenda items concluded, a motion was made by Eleanor McCarthy and seconded by Barbara Metz to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved by voice acclamation from the membership. The meeting adjourned at 2:45PM.

Submitted by Jerry Metz, Secretary