

SUNLAND OWNERS ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
FEBRUARY 16, 2016
GATHERING PLACE

I. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Randy Skoglund, President.

In attendance were: Fred Smith
Jennifer Sweeney
Steve Loska
Tom Merrill
Phil Merlin
Frank Shimek
Ken Larson

Excused: Bobbie Piety

Guests in Attendance: David Jelin, Lloyd Taylor, Jill Hummel, Greg & Helen MacDonald, and Penney VanVleet.

II. 15 Minute Open Comment Period for Visitors

David Jelin noted that Security in Division 17 was slight. The patrol races past open garage doors. Mr. Jelin volunteered to join the document review and cell tower committees

Lloyd Taylor stated that he thought the cell tower issue had been closed. He then asked if there were any plans for Lot 207, which would be discussed later in the meeting.

III. The January minutes were approved.

IV. President's Report: Mr. Skoglund stated his appreciation to the Board for covering the bases in his absence.

V. Treasurer's Report: Mrs. Sweeney reported that two deaths in her family had made it hard to spend more time on SLOA work, but she did look into bank lock boxes and felt they would not work for SLOA. Mr. Larson stated that Union Bank has the service, but they do not have a branch in Sequim.

VI. Office Manager's Report:

Celeste reported once again that it was darn near impossible to keep up with changes in rentals. Quite often she finds out that someone has moved when a newsletter goes out and she is notified by the postmaster via the mailing service. The most recent list provided to her also included eight homeowners that had not notified the office of an address change.

Mr. Merlin made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Smith and carried, to instruct the Rental Chair to automatically send a letter to the owner when SLOA has been made aware that there has been a change.

Celeste also reported that she is contacted by renters when the pool opens in the spring and they are not permitted the use of it until they register with the office.

Mr. Skoglund stated that the rule is quite clear that the homeowner is required to notify the office in writing prior to granting occupancy to a renter. Mr. Larson made a motion that renters will not be allowed use of the facilities until such time the owner has notified the office in writing. The motion was seconded by Mr. Smith for the purpose of discussion. After deliberation, the Board approved the motion with a vote of 7-1.

VII. Committee Reports:

Architecture: Mr. Merrill reported receiving very precise and complete applications. He questioned whether the placement of basketball hoops should be determined by the architectural or the landscape committee. The general consensus was that the subject fell under landscaping.

R.V. Storage:

Mr. Larson reported that Sequim Valley Electric had been hired to inspect the wiring at the facility. Conduit and outlets that are designed for underground or indoor use were discovered. The auxiliary lock had been repaired. Mr. Skoglund suggested that the rules for RV Storage use should include the requirement for units to be licensed and operable.

Recreation:

Mr. Smith reported that the concrete work around the pool will start on April 15th. There will be considerable noise through mid-May. Re-coating the tennis courts is planned for the 1st of April. To increase activities in SunLand, Mr. Smith has given some thought to installing Bocce ball courts either where the old horseshoe pits were or on Lot 207. An area of 91' by 13' will be needed. Mr. Skoglund stated that Bear Creek in Murietta, CA had a population of 560 residents and about 120 of them played the sport.

Security & Roads:

Mr. Merlin reported having a busy month. He has been working with the Road Department to get the ditches along Taylor cleaned up. Residents who have erected bridges over the ditch will need to maintain the areas under and around the bridges or the county will remove them.

The issue of a traffic survey along Sequim – Dungeness Road still has yet to be resolved. Mr. Merlin was told that the survey won't be done until the summer months when the volume of traffic is greater.

Mr. Merlin has met with Security Services and with the County Sheriff, who allocates resources to areas with more crime. The Sheriff will be doing random patrols to increase their visibility. Mr. Smith noted that the asphalt on Fairway Drive just south of the parking lot is deteriorating.

Landscaping: Mr. Shimek reported receiving complaints about yard art in a common area and basketball hoops left out when not in use. Two properties on Taylor were inspected at the request of a realtor. Mr. Merrill asked Mr. Shimek to inspect a certain property on Hurricane Ridge Drive that is in need of maintenance.

Greenbelts and Lots: Mr. Loska will be having more rhododendrons moved or pruned, but has received good comments about the visibility to the north on Sequim – Dungeness. He will be checking the vacant lots for fire hazards soon.

Rental Coordinator: No report.

Communications & Grievance: No report.

Nominating Committee: No report.

Publications: Articles for the bulletin can now be sent to Greg & Helen MacDonald with a cc to Celeste. Articles must be submitted early!

VIII. OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Merlin reported that of the 1186 voters in SunLand, 364 did not vote. Mr. Skoglund questioned how many more SunLand residents were not registered to vote.

Penny Van Vleet asked the Board to consider keeping the pool open an additional 15 days this upcoming season.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

A request for special consideration for a garage sale was approved.

Mr. Smith stated that to have an outgoing mail drop would require more mail than SunLand would generate and that a drop box elsewhere in Sequim would need to be removed.

Mr. Smith also suggested that SLOA consider thinning the local deer herd. The idea met with quite a bit of opposition.

X. 15-Minute Open Comment Period: There were no comments from the floor.

XI. Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 12:07 p.m.