

2018 SPIA FALL MEETING MINUTES – September 1st

The meeting was called to order by President, Caitlyn Bryan, at 9:40 a.m. The Board, SPIA Members and guests all introduced themselves and gave the location of their home or cabin.

Board Members

Caitlyn Bryan	President
Bob Adams	Vice President
Kathi Hartman	Treasurer
Patrick Dreiling	acting Secretary
Lynnette Boyer	At Large
Jack Nunemaker	At Large
Tom Wood	At Large

Reports

*Minutes of the 2018 Annual Spring Meeting were read by Patrick Dreiling and approved “as read”.

*Kathi presented the Treasurer’s report: we currently have \$4963 in checking with total assets of \$12,247. She also mentioned that any Members who haven’t yet paid their dues can give her their payment today.

Announcements

*Pine Grove is having a Bake/Plant Sale and Flea Market today to benefit the North Fork Fire Department; it goes until 2 pm at the Fire Station in Pine.

*Caitlyn received a letter of thanks from Commander David Eyre, VFW Post 4666, for the \$297 donation given by our Members at the May meeting. She thanked Stu Bran for passing out poppies and added she hoped it would be an annual event. Stu thanked everyone for their generosity!

*A new batch of the beautiful Sphinx Park Maps (created by Mark Niksic) is now available. These maps are on heavier paper but the price is still just \$10; Caitlyn had them available for sale at the

meeting. Over the winter, the maps will be available at The Pine Emporium. For an updated map legend, please ask Caitlyn to email it to you.

*Bob Adams headed-up our semi-annual road clean-up after the meeting.

Sphinx Park Roads

*The road report was given by Tom Wood.

- A BIG thank you to Mike Livingston, Todd Sanborn and Tim (on Roger's tractor) for getting our roads back in shape after each rainstorm this summer.

- Thanks again to Todd (with his brother's bobcat) for making good use of our first load of roadbase; Navy Hill and Johnson Drive have rarely looked so good.

- At the May meeting we discussed repairing two large washout areas on Johnson Drive. Tom Wood volunteered to head up these projects beginning with the smaller one above John Nelson's cabin. Though the original plan to construct wire gabion cages filled with large rock didn't work out, using Daniel Dixon's idea of creating "burrito wraps" using the same materials, did the trick. Tom, John Nelson, DJ Jensen and other volunteers, worked very hard to complete this repair. Thank you all!

- After assessing the Nelson washout fix, Caitlyn has decided not to go ahead with trying to fix the 2nd, and larger, washout below Tindall's cabin due to potentially dangerous conditions beyond SPIA's expertise and budget. Tom Wood will continue to look for feasible options.

- We have on hand, one large load each, rip-rap and roadbase. These materials are available for ALL Sphinx Park road work...just please don't use them for driveways or landscaping.

- Materials purchased for road work:

*2 - large loads of rip-rap @ ~ \$500 each; one was paid for by John Nelson

*1 - small load of rip-rap @ ~ \$200, purchased fall of

2017

*2 – loads of roadbase @ ~ \$350 each

*1 – roll of heavy wire fencing

TOTAL spent on road repair materials in 2018: \$1410

Summer Water System

* The Water Report was given by Rick Rome.

- Once again, Gary Schlageter and Charlie Ludeman have been the backbone of our water system crew. Thank you both for your untiring efforts!!

- Water will be shut off the last weekend in September, depending on weather.

- It was a fairly uneventful (good news) season, despite a few short periods of unexplained lack of water. We have had a dry year, since the 2017 monsoons, so likely the spring is not producing enough flow to meet the heavy weekend demand.

- Rick reminded everyone to be mindful of how they use water.

Please Conserve Water... it is a precious – and FINITE – resource!

- Rick brought a copy of the “water system” map he created which shows tanks, main and secondary lines, isolation valves and Sphinx Park roads. It will be a big help, especially for newer volunteers who aren’t totally familiar with the system layout.

- Charlie Ludeman expressed concern over funding for major repairs he sees coming in the future. Caitlyn assured him that funds are available.

- Water Users were reminded that their dues and fees must be paid for the current year or they are not guaranteed a tap for the following year. We have a limited number of Taps and new people waiting to be hooked up.

- As always, Caitlyn reminded everyone that we need new volunteers to operate and maintain the Water System; the situation becomes more serious each year. The Board has discussed options for the future, the most likely being to raise annual water user fees – NOT dues – to \$100/year, or more, in order to hire someone to maintain the system.

Dumpster

*Jack Nunemaker gave the Dumpster & Aluminum Can Recycling

Report.

- The can recycling program is going well.

- No big problems with the dumpster this summer except construction scrap and over-filling during 4th of July week. All pretty good since then. Caitlyn reported she had gotten no complaint calls since early July. Jack showed a picture of the prop bars he made to hold the lid open. They work really well - as opposed to flipping the entire lid over the back which bends the lid and will eventually break it. Also, no real bear problems.

- Please break-down/flatten all cardboard boxes before putting them in the dumpster!!!

- Jack reported that the surveillance camera, put up in June, has captured a few offenders but nothing major. At least one who walked around the back wall appeared to be a paid Member who had probably forgotten the code.

- At their summer meeting, the Board again discussed the question of putting a back wall on the dumpster enclosure and decided, at least for now, that it might do more harm than good, i.e. throwing trash over the fence as opposed to walking around back and putting trash inside the container.

*Kier, our venerable Dumpster Dude, was unable to attend the meeting but Caitlyn asked for MANY, MANY THANKS to him for his years of service to our community!! His hard work and always cheerful, friendly attitude made him one of the joys of the Canyon. If you run into him, give him a hug and say thanks...

Misc. Business

*Mailbox stand across from the Bucksnot was cleaned up earlier this summer but stand has been hit again, most likely by Bucksnot traffic, pushed back against the hill and several boxes broken loose. Caitlyn asked for ideas for barrier materials to stop cars before they hit the stand. She will check on USPS regulations.

*Clean-up needs to be done around the water shed and steps. Barry Bryan has volunteered.

*Bob Adams reported on restoration progress on both Glen Isle and The Blue Jay Inn. He also said the Bucksnot has ordered new, bear-

proof dumpsters which will be delivered this week.

*Adam Logic reported on the success of “Pinestock”, an event to benefit the Pine Cemetary. He also brought up that Bucksnot owner, Kathy, is planning to stage a “full-costume, wild west robbery re-creation” this fall. Notices with date/time will be coming soon. It should be a lot of fun!

Thanks again to Kathy & LJ Weller for allowing us to use **The Bucksnot** for our meetings!

Meeting was adjourned at 10:36 am; there were 37 attendees.

submitted by
Caitlyn Bryan