

Greenhorn Creek Community Services District
A Firewise Community
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, July 21, 2022, 6 PM
Greenhorn Fire Station
2049 Red Bluff Circle
Greenhorn Ranch

1. Roll Call:

Elizabeth Zeiner present, Greg Neal present, Hannah Michael present, Chair Rebecca Herrin present. Vice-Chair Amanda Higgins absent.

2. Public Comment:

Various comments and questions regarding the makeup of the current Board, the process for appointments to the Board, possible metering of water services and disposal of vacant parcels. Kris Parton states that the vacant parcels are subject to CC&Rs (Codes, Covenants, and Restrictions) and require a minimum size for dwellings constructed on those parcels. Chair Herrin will investigate.

Vacancies on the Board are filled through application submitted to and appointments by the Board of Supervisors until such time as elections are held.

3. Board Comments and Reports:

There are none.

4. Approval of the minutes of the June 16, 2022 meeting:

Motion is made by Zeiner, seconded by Neal to approve the minutes. Motion carried 4-0.

5. Financial Reports:

- A. Review Monthly Financial Report for the period ending June 30, 2022. The monthly financial report for Greenhorn Creek Fire Department and Greenhorn Creek Community Services District is reviewed and accepted.

6. Water Department:

Tyson Rael is not present. Chair Herrin reads the staff report provided by Rael.

“We had one water leak in Unit 1 and one water leak in Unit 2 this past month. Both were likely due to the vibrating roller that the road association used to compact the road base when they were doing work a few weeks ago. We have asked the road association in the past not to use the vibrating function on the roller since it breaks the water mains every time, and we reiterated that during the water repair.

“At this time, we have appropriately 15 customers who meet water shut-off criteria for non-payment. We will be hanging shut-off notices the last week of July and are hoping to have received payment from many of these customers before then.”

7. Fire Department:

Chair Herrin reads the staff report provided by Chief Rael.

“We have had several calls this past month including medical aids, traffic collisions, and a vehicle fire. Our number of firefighters responding has dropped dramatically, and we will be meeting soon to discuss why responses have dwindled and come up with a plan for more consistent responses.

“We have updated the medical equipment on the engines to comply with NorCal EMS Authority. We have made a short list of a few items that we are missing, but these should be simple and cost-effective items to procure.

“We have received the final “good faith” payment from PG&E in the amount of \$35,000. We are looking into pricing for a UTV with a skid unit in the back that would be a combination of a small water tank/pump and EMS patient transport unit. This would enable us to respond to hikers, dirt bikers, mountain bikers, horseback riders, etc. in the area as well as a quick attack vehicle for vegetation fires. Half our battle when responding to these types of calls out on trails is getting vehicle access to them. We would also like to put a plow on the front to aid in snow removal at the fire station during the winter months. We’ll provide the board with the estimates for approval as soon as they become available.

“For the purpose of public record, I would like to express my concern in the number of vehicles speeding on our roads. Many of the drivers are people who have moved to Greenhorn in the past two years. I would like the community to hold each other accountable to driving safely on our roads and for the road associations to do their best to mitigate these safety concerns.

“Fuel Reduction Project-the forester brought in all of the potential operators/contractors for a tour of the project in order for them to bid on it. We should be hearing soon which operator has been awarded the project. The forester is hoping to get the project started as soon as possible with a goal of finishing the project by Christmas. This will treat 65 acres of land including CSD lots, burn pile area, SPI land, Greenhorn Ranch land, and other private land. Anything under 10” diameter will be treated.”

There is a question regarding the “other private land.”

8. Status of Burn Pile Improvements:

The burn pile is open and Ralph Wilburn has rearranged material to make the pile more accessible to residents.

9. Public Hearing Item: Resolution to Adopt the Delinquent Water Charges and Penalties Report to be Submitted to the Plumas County Tax Collector for Collection Via the Secured Taxes Property Statements:

Motions are made by Zeiner and seconded by Neal to adopt the annual resolutions as presented (Resolutions Nos. 2022-7104, 2022-7105, and 2022-7106) for submittal to the Plumas County Tax Collector. Motions carried 4-0.

10. Process for Disposal of Vacant Parcels Owned by the District:

Brittini Wade is present and is interested in purchasing some of the parcels. There is discussion regarding process, Road Associations fees, standby fees. Herrin spoke with a local realtor who stated that none of the vacant lots in Greenhorn are currently selling for more than \$13,000. Chair Herrin encourages Wade and her husband to submit a letter to the Board with request for purchase of the lots and bid. The Board will undertake the negotiation process once the letter is received.

11. The next Greenhorn CSD Meeting:

The next regular meeting of the Greenhorn CSD will be held Thursday August 18, 2022, at 6 PM.

12. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 PM (Neal/Zeiner/4-0).

Rebecca Herrin

Rebecca Herrin, Chair