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**DOGWOOD MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION**

**ANNUAL MEETING Saturday, June 22, 2002**

In attendance: Lots 5,37,22,23,50,57,55,27,15,16,21,71,1,4, and 52. 18 Proxies were received.  
Total attendance: 35.

Guest Speaker: Frank Fowler, Fresno County Planning -

In any new development now, a county service area is mandatory.

To get a County Service Area established:

- 1. 10% of the registered voters in Shaver Lake/Dogwood Mountain must sign a petition.
- 2. Dogwood sets up their own committee to work with the County. Dogwood sets up annual budget.
- 3. Major repairs: County dictates cost and what is to be done

Proposition 19 is the right to assess.

Proposition 218 complicates the assessing.

A CSA is costly: \$500-\$600. per year plus \$350. per mile per year for insurance.

If petition is legal, the resolution goes before the Board of Supervisors.

The engineer report lays out the assessment that must benefit the property.

If non-association parcels come into the CSA, they are assessed proportionate to their use of roads.

Proposition 218 states that a ballot must be sent out and the vote is based on the size of the assessment.

If 50% of the ballots are returned as "yes", the CSA is approved.

If there is a protest, each parcel votes according to the assessed value of their property. If 51% votes "No", the issue dies.

The CSA process costs \$3,500. If the vote dies, the County eats the cost; if the vote passes, the cost is passed on to the Dogwood 71 lots, in the first year assessment.

**THE COUNTY MAY ADD 3% INCREASE IN THE ASSESSMENT EACH YEAR IF NEEDED.**

Otherwise the assessment may not be raised.

The County does not maintain the road to the sewer plant. It is assessed through the 71 Dogwood Lots in our "normal" property tax bill.

The non-association parcels need to check on their zoning. If they choose to build their own roads, they must get permission from the Board of Supervisors.

The water Dogwood receives is based on the request by the developer who developed Dogwood.

CSA 31 and Water District 41 overlap.

For more information on water contact Ray Ramirez at Planning and Resources.

In the summer of 2003, the sewer plant will start a program to get rid of the nitrate and nitrogen in the drain ponds and to upgrade the plant. The heavy trucks coming in and out will tear up the road. The road will be completely repaired from 168 to the plant when the work is completed.

**MINUTES**

Sinks (5) and Emmerson (21) made and seconded the motion to approve the Minutes of the 2001 Annual Meeting.

Herrscher (22) and Mortensen (50) made and seconded the motion to approve the Financial Report.

The Architectural Committee, J. Emmerson, reported work during 2001-2002 on lots 64,67,42,5, 41,51 and 40.

The Road Maintenance Committee (Harshman) presented a bid for snow removal of \$29,000.

The Road Maintenance will do the labor this year - to fill potholes. Lot owners must clean up the roadsides.

The sample letter to be sent out to the non-association lots was changed.

For the years 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 the non-parcels are to pay \$100. (lot) \$200. (house) for each year.

"Keep the entire amount as my contribution toward the "00-01" & "01-02" fiscal year road maintenance"

"Return any balance left over to me."

"Apply any balance left over to 2002-2003".

The letter draft to the non-association members is to read - - -

We were surprised that the Judge has reversed his earlier court decision and has denied us the right to assess road maintenance fees progressively, in three years, to reach the fee of \$550. per year, which is the fee that is charged to the association members.

We therefore have reverted back to the "compromise decision" that the Fresno County Board of Supervisors requested for non-association lots of \$100. per year per lot; \$200. per year per lot with house.

The subject of the Renaissance Festival and use of our roads came up. Brandy Shelton indicated that the person in charge was Jemmy Bluestein, and that only 400 - 500 people would attend. Mr. Fowler indicated that the festival would have to get a permit and possibly pay to have their own road put in.

The proposed Assessment Fee Collection Policy was reviewed. Arnold (15-16) made a motion to accept the policy; Kendrew (67) gave the second and the issue passed.

Emmerson indicated two lots were behind in assessment payments. Both had liens against them. One parcel was for sale.

There was a brief discussion about the fire hydrants. The water district is in charge of making sure they are in proper working order. Dogwood needs to straighten up the red topped snow poles and the signs. Eve Nicholson (23) will call the water district to have the hydrants checked.

Dogwood is to again check on having mail boxes at the subdivision. We need 20 residents to sign up for the mail service.

The Palmers (64) sent word that a mountain lion has been around their house for several evenings.

Please send out a mailer: "How many year-round residents do we have? - How many weekenders? - How many empty lots? How many registered voters at Shaver Lake/Dogwood? How many want mail boxes at the upper gate? Lower gate?"

Election of Officers for 2002-2003

The following were elected unanimously:

Director: Dave Mortensen

(Sweeny and Sinks)

Road Maintenance Committee: Larry Emmerson and Dave Mortensen

(Harshman and Harris); Tom Pagani & Tim Broader

Architectural Committee: Beth Kendrew, Valerie Mortensen, and Koaki Harris.

(Ackerman)

Beth Kendrew requested an investigation on road maintenance from 168 to the "Y" concerning the use by the County. This will be discussed at the Executive Board Meeting.

Evelyn Mengoni (4) requested that Dogwood have a "Welcome Committee". Evelyn, Beth Kendrew and Eve Nicholson volunteered.

Bixler (1) made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bob Kendrew gave the second and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectively submitted by Judith Preuss for Edie Sweeney.