

# Dogwood Mountain 2019 Annual Meeting Minutes

Saturday, September 7, 2019

The business meeting began after lunch (~1pm). With attendance (~35) plus proxies, we had a quorum.

## Financial Report

Barb Hankins reviewed the Financial Report. Here are some notes:

- Income does not yet include all of the 2019 dues. 68 homeowners pay \$50/year.
- Electric costs are for lighting
- Post Office includes PO Box rental and stamps
- Insurance is for a liability policy
- Wages are \$15/hr for Barb Hankins' work
- Supplies include paper and ink
- \$75 includes the annual registration of our non-profit assoc. (we are now in compliance with IRS & CA)
- Tax preparation includes accountant fees for back data to IRS, for reinstatement
- Microsoft Word software subscription is used only for Dogwood business

## Road Budget

The road budget, managed by the County of Fresno, as of August, had a reserve of \$630,176. An overlay would cost ~500,000. Paying it now would not leave enough for repairs/maintenance. The board decided not to do an overlay until the balance increases. Also, we really need a new base in addition to an overlay, and that would be ~1,500,000.

## Cal Fire Grant

There was some misunderstanding about this. Barb explained that this program does not cover Dogwood Mountain, but refers to the [Musick Emergency Fuel Break](#), near Cressman's.

## Board Members

Barb and Mike Hankins are retiring from the board. We thank them both for their many years of service.

Cari Salwasser was elected as our new Secretary/Treasurer.

Patty Chilpigian was elected as a new board member.

The remaining board members who were present indicated their willingness to stay.

You can see the current roster on our [contacts page](#).

## Roads

Thanks to Cari & Alvyn for managing pot hole repair last year.

Jennifer Cavalla (of Fresno County) emailed Mike Hankins that the county still doesn't have enough manpower to do the road work. (This is why Cari & Alwyn arranged private contractors for repairs last year.)

## Brush control

Homeowners are responsible for clearing brush along the roads on their property.

Homeowners should also check the road drains/culverts on your property and report blockages to the board. We'll get the County to clear them.

## Outstanding Dues

A few people are simply not paying their dues. Collection agents are not effective. There's not much we can do, except wait until the property is sold.

## Snow Removal Contract

RJW will again do snow removal again this year. They have new equipment this year.

## Other Business

Water supplies were affected last week by a County test of fire hydrants. This may have introduced some air into the pipes.

There was a question about "basketball-sized holes" in several places on our roads. There was speculation they may have some kind of test of the pavement, but also concern about erosion over the winter. Barb will email Jennifer to try to find out about them.

Several homeowners reported their insurance is being cancelled. Barb has notes on her recent insurance search that she is willing to share.