

Silverado Property Owners Association  
Minutes of Meeting  
July 31, 2020 4:00PM  
Meeting Conducted on Zoom  
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Attendance: President, Paul Roberts, Leandra Stewart, Michael Karath, Janet Bollier, Nancy Pollacek, Arthur Boni, Andy Kirmse, Mike Bellanca, Ron Ryan, Jim Tidgewell, Con Hewitt, Mary Sandbulte, Sharon Bobrow, Don Winter, Veronica Faussner, Leslie Manzone, Joel Bloomer

1. Call to Order: President Paul Roberts called the meeting to order at 4:46 pm. This meeting was conducted on Zoom courtesy of the County (SCSD) Zoom program.

2. Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes of the January 31, 2020, meeting was made, seconded and the ayes were unanimous.

3. President's Report: Bill Senske has stepped down as the Fire Wise Chair of the Firewise Council. Bill was instrumental in establishing the Silverado Fire Wise Council and in obtaining grant monies for fire protection purposes. He is succeeded by Co-Chairs Susan Derringer and Renee Acosta. Susan did much of the writing of the Fire Wise protection plan and the associated grant requests. Renee is a member of the council and has been active in her neighborhood in planning the replanting of the Colonial Circles with fire resistant plants. The local council is attempting to secure more grant monies to help with the repairs to the islands.

A heartfelt thanks was extended to Andy Kirmse for preparing the winter/spring newsletter which is posted on the SPOA website. Andy and his wife Christie will be relocating to Austin in the very near future. They will be missed, but we wish them well.

Revised By-Laws: After extensive reviews with an attorney and comments from the directors, Con Hewitt has completed a revision to the SPOA by-laws. The revised by-laws were discussed and approved. The board thanked Mr. Hewitt for his efforts.

4. County of Napa Activities: Michael Karath set up the meeting at 4:00pm via Zoom and presented his report. At the end of this fiscal year, he reported a utility savings of \$7000 resulting from the installation of LED streetlights. Coast Landscaping Company has been purchased by Bright View Landscaping, the largest landscaping company in the United States. Mr. Karath does not expect significant changes in the landscaping services with the new ownership.

5. Committee Reports:

a. Nominating & Election Committee ---Joe Russoniello was not present.

b. Finance Report --Jim Tidgewell, Treasurer

Balance of \$115,536.24 slightly less than \$116,238 posted March 31.

c. Membership & n Dues Report -- Sharon Bobrow, Chair.

SPOA dues payments are down as a result of the pandemic. Certain HOA's have not fully

paid their dues, and Sharon is contacting them requesting balances due be paid, Individual dues are also down, and Sharon plans to send email reminders. It was

suggested

that a notice listing SPOA benefits might encourage payment of dues. Don Winters has volunteered to write a narrative to assist in this effort.

d. Landscape Committee -- Nancy Pollacek, Chair.

Napa Fire Wise granted SPOA \$12,000 to remove the flammable junipers on  
Gleneagle

Circle, Colonial Circle and Olympic Circle. Before Coast Landscaping started the removal, a Gleneagle resident donated \$100 to Wildlife Out to inspect the islands for quail nests. Having found none Coast removed the vegetation. The neighbors weighed in on the choice of plants and Walk On Bark was added. The project was completed by the June 9<sup>th</sup> deadline for the grant money.

Begonias have been planted in the brick planter on Hillcrest. Irrigation has been increased.

The committee has requested that Coast monitor the weeds growing in the rocks on Hillcrest, and apply spray necessary to impede growth.

SPOA continues to monitor Coast Landscaping. Additional details on landscaping projects were reported in SCSD's activity report, which is attached.

e. Architectural Committee -- chairperson needed to fill this position.

Paul Roberts reported there has been limited activity. A property owner on Westgate requested a SPOA review of their building plans, which was a rebuild of the house destroyed by the fire.

6. Fire Wise

Grant requests will be made to the Napa County Fire Wise Council for additional funds for fire protection.

7. Old Business: None

8. New Business: None

Meeting adjourned at 5:13pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Leandra Stewart, Secretary SPOA