

THE WOODS

A NEWSLETTER FROM THE CASCADEL WOODS
PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION



September 3



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WATER COMPANY/CWPOA NEWS

On August 4, a Special Meeting of the CMWC was held at the clubhouse to tally the ballots for the road maintenance to be managed by the Water Company. A quorum of votes was received and the votes were counted. There were 62 – Yes, 5 – No.

The CMWC Board passed a Resolution to accept the road maintenance responsibility as of September 1, 2018.

Due to the two grants for CMWC about to become active and the recent addition of acquiring the responsibility of road maintenance, the CMWC had to update and restate the old bylaws.

The CMWC Board held a meeting of the Board on August 26 to review the restated bylaws. Approximately 18 residents were in attendance. Everyone was allowed to share with the Directors their personal opinions for over 2 hours. The Board called a break and the membership left the meeting. The Director's called the meeting back into session at 12:25PM and began their review of the bylaws. The bylaws were passed and accepted as corrected. The meeting was adjourned at 2:45 PM.

The approved Restated Bylaws will be presented to the membership at the CMWC's September 15 Annual Membership meeting. Those who would like a copy and cannot attend the meeting can request a copy to be sent via mail or email by calling the office at 559-877-2635 or e-mail at cascadelwoods@netptc.net.

CWPOA

The CWPOA will no longer be responsible for our road maintenance. We are focusing on the possibility of becoming a 501c3 charitable

organization. Meanwhile we will continue to search and apply for grants to improve our fuels reduction efforts to better protect all lives and property in Cascadel Woods and surrounding communities. We will update as this progresses.

CMWC

Election for Director's

Ballots for two Water Company Director Seats will be mailed September 4. The candidates are: Ken Trapp-incumbent, Stan Eggink-incumbent, Mark Stamas and Dan Norton.

Road Repair

We are patching the roads and more work is scheduled. New bids for more extensive work will be received this week. A new budget for the road work will be presented at the annual meeting of the water company in September.

Firewise/Brigade

Malinda Lodge, who is a fully authorized agent to teach cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), will hold a refresher class for the Brigade members on October 27.

We have weeded the roads leading to all water company equipment and tanks. Roadside clearance has been sparse in August, but should pick up in September. If there is a particular area of concern to you, please call the Brigade Chair, Carol Eggink, at 559-877-6290 so we can check it out and try to knock it down.

Brian Curtis conducted the Hose Training Class for the Fire Brigade on August 18. If you have an interest in joining the Committee or Brigade, you are welcome to attend our meetings. Check the Events and Meeting section for the next meeting.

Emergency Water Situations

If you find that there is an emergency situation regarding water company leaks or equipment damage on or near your property, please call Ken @ 559-676-5387, Brian @ 559-877-4379 or Stan @ 559-877-6290.

These numbers are for emergencies only and not intended to conduct normal business.

Please call the office at 559-877-2635 for normal business matters. Leave a message and someone will get back to you as soon as possible. Or send an e-mail to cascadelwoods@netptc.net.

Thank you for your consideration.

CSA-21

As of September 1st, the community continues to be locked out of its own clubhouse by The County of Madera. There has been no response from the county on our many requests, since early June, to justify this unreasonable action.

The county is supposedly searching for a management company to place in charge of clubhouse use and grounds maintenance. The cost to us through our CSA-21 funds to employ this firm is unknown at this time but it will certainly cost more than the free management offered by the CWPOA.

We are also researching why the title for the four CSA-21 parcels state Madera County, Clerk of the Board. The county's loan to the CWPOA, for the individual property owners, to purchase this property was paid in full in 1995.

Many of you, while sharing your frustration and disbelief over this issue, have asked how you can help solve this problem? The best suggestion at the moment is to call, write a letter or send an email to the entire Board of Supervisors and include a copy to their Legal Counsel, Regina Garza.

It could be they just do not realize how much we use our clubhouse and what an inconvenience it has been for our Children's Art Class to find a place large enough to hold

the children and their easels. A wedding scheduled for the clubhouse had to find another location and smaller gatherings have had to go elsewhere or use the open areas. It is possible the Board of Supervisors may change their minds if they hear from you.

We can hope.

Here are the email links for the Supervisors and their Legal Counsel.

Madera County Supervisors:

supervisors@co.madera.ca.us

County Counsel Regina Garza:

rgarza@lozanosmith.com

The CSA-21 financial reports are held up due to the fiscal year end closing of Madera County of June 30. Once they have closed their year, we should expect to see our financials for June, July and August.

We have requested copies, using the 311 number for Madera information, for all contracts covering work being performed on our CSA-21 open spaces for the year. Three contracts totaling \$27,000 have been received so far. As of the closing of May 2018, the CSA cash on hand was \$32,676.88.

EVENTS AND MEETINGS

- **Sept 15 - CMWC Annual Membership Meeting** - Elections of Directors
10 AM Clubhouse
- **Sept 22 - CWPOA Annual Membership Meeting** - Elections of Directors
10 AM at the Clubhouse
- **No Firewise Meeting Scheduled**

NEXT MONTH

- **Oct 12 - CMWC Board of Directors**
4 PM Clubhouse
- **Oct 27 - Firewise/Brigade Refresher course in CPR**
This will be an all day event - Location to be determined.

YOUR NEWSLETTER

We hope you enjoyed The Woods Newsletter. Send any submissions for the October

Newsletter to Carol Eggink by September 27 at egginks@netptc.net or call her 559.877.6290.