

#### YWPHI Board of Director's meeting Saturday, December 29, 2007, at Kay Pitts' house

The meeting was held on December 29, 2007 at Kay Pitts' home. The meeting was called to order by President Kay Pitts at 10 a.m. and the agenda was distributed.

Directors Present: Kay Pitts, Jeff Hornacek, Tom Lambert, and Jim Andrews, Kelly Rich, Kim O'Neil and Todd Caranto Directors Absent: none Committee Chairs Present: John Mock

#### I. Minutes

The minutes from the September 2, 2007 Board meeting were not provided by Secretary Jeff Hornacek, they will be submitted for approval at the April 5, 2008 meeting.

#### II. Treasurer's Report (Kim O'Neil)

The **3rd quarter 2007** (7/1/2007 to 10/31/2007) Treasurer's report follows. The Balance Sheet shows total assets of \$10,520.17, which includes: \$414.80 checking account; and \$10,155.37 savings account. The Profit & Loss statement shows a net less of \$169.09: \$1,825.00 total income from membership dues; \$100.00 donation; \$7.83 other income from interest; and \$2,101.92 total net expenses. The itemized expenses included: \$6.08 bank charges; \$2,581.33 chipping program; and \$34.99 domain registration. Membership is 77.

The **4th quarter 2007** (10/1/2007 to 12/31/2007) Treasurer's report follows. (No transactions occurred between 12/29/07 and 12/31/07.) The Balance Sheet shows total assets of \$10,092.66, which includes: \$432.17 checking account; and \$9,710.49 savings account. The Profit & Loss statement shows a net less of \$260.63: \$450.00 total income from membership dues; \$7.33 other income from interest; and \$710.63 total net expenses. The itemized expenses included: \$9.00 bank charges; \$239.40 domain hosting; \$260.00 labor; \$28.37 postage; \$11.69 sales tax; \$161.47 supplies; and \$0.70 telephone. Membership is 88.

The **Annual 2007** (1/1/2007 to 12/31/2007) Treasurer's report follows. The Balance Sheet shows total assets of \$10,092.66, which includes: \$432.17 checking account; and \$9,710.49 savings account. The Profit & Loss statement shows a net less of \$1,053.03: \$2,875.00 total income from membership dues; \$29.28 other income from interest; and \$3,957.31 total net expenses.

Major expense classes included: \$2,859.42 fire safety; \$431.13 mailboxes [\$344.11 mailbox stand, \$87.02 parcel locker key replacement/repair.]; \$333.79 website; \$35.81 membership notices/reminders; \$22.40 newsletter publication/mailing [Note: Almost all annual costs paid by

grants.]; \$19.58 holiday greeting cards; and \$10.05 telephone tree mailing. Membership is 88.

Membership Summary includes: 4 new members for 2007-08: Bob Woolard; Sergio & Maria Pellegrino; the Hipskind, Wiseman & Wendy families; and Todd & Michelle Caranto; and Membership Totals by Households - 88 in 2007-08 (98 in 2006-07; and 113 in 2005-06).

# III. Committee Reports

#### A. Fire Safety (John Mock)

John Mock reported on the progress of the California Fire Safe Council grants and contractor progress of the current Fire Safe program. Work began on the shaded fuel break program on the north side of the community and is approximately 33% complete. The second grant to create a Fire Safe program and finalize the Yosemite West Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) is close to completion.

An inventory of the fire hose houses was conducted, a wrench and adapter for fire hoses is missing from one of the boxes. An additional fire hose house is needed for the hose and equipment currently stored in garbage cans at Ken Wall's house.

Mariposa County Public Works has been shoveling the snow away from approximately every other fire hydrant in the community.

There is concern that state agencies are not inspecting or enforcing clearance laws intended to reduce the risk of fire due to overgrown vegetation near homes and structures.

It was suggested that members of the community enroll in a Cal Fire's Volunteers-in-Prevention (VIP) program that would inspect for brush clearing compliance. Community members who complete the VIP training may be authorized to issue burn permits. John Mock will investigate additional information concerning the VIP program.

# B. Website

The issue of YWPHI website hosting costs and website updates was discussed. It was agreed that Tom Lambert and Todd Caranto would investigate a lower cost hosting service. A future change in webmaster was discussed, but not determined.

# C. Newsletter

Tom Lambert plans to produce a spring newsletter in April. The newsletter costs are down due to e-newsletters replacing the more costly printed and mailed versions.

# D. Hospitality

Kay Pitts initiated discussion to repay hosts of the annual Holiday Open House. A motion was made and the repayment to hosts was approved.

# IV. Old Business

# A. YWPHI Officer

Kelly Rich agreed to accept the Vice President position voted on during the September 2007 YWPHI Board meeting.

#### B. Parcel Lockers & Mailboxes

The issue of repairing and maintaining the parcel lockers in the mail shed was discussed. YWPHI replaced four locker keys and hired a person to keep clean one that was infested with mice.

Jeff Hornacek agreed to investigate the issue of adding lockbox mailboxes to the mail shed and to report at the next meeting.

### C. YWPHI Membership

Membership in the association has declined and ways to improve it were discussed. The concept of increasing dues to provide a sense of value was evaluated and tabled. Creating an article with pictures of YWPHI accomplishments such as mailbox support repairs, the mail shed, fire hose boxes, shaded fuel break progress and the community map was discussed and agreed upon. Jeff Hornacek and Tom Lambert were to take pictures and create and article for the next issue of the newsletter.

#### V. New Business

None.

The next board meeting is Saturday, April 5, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned by President Kay Pitts at 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jeff Hornacek YWPHI Secretary