

Fern Forrest Community Association

January 16, 2022

Meeting Minutes

Members Attending: Julie Tanner, Mac Castillo, Noel Pinckney, Claudia Halbert. Community Attending: Jody DeLuze, Lois Endo, Bernie Kaimia, Dana Dorsey, Al G., Caroline Frazier, John Beck, Rhonda Lickfelyt, Stanley Simpson, Jim Toews, Chris Hintergart, Carolyn Furrow, Deb Castillo.

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATIONS	CONCLUSION	RESPONSIBLE PARTY/TIME LINE
Call to Order	President Julie Tanner called the meeting to order at 2:06 pm.		
Approval of Minutes	Minutes of Dec. 12, 2021 were presented for approval	Motion was made for approval and seconded by Mac Castillo	Approved – Post to Face book page
Approval of Minutes	Minutes of Jan. 2, 2022 were presented for approval	Motion was made for approval and seconded by Claudia Halbert	Approved – Post to Face book page
President Report	Julie Tanner	The Board is working hard for the benefit of all members and our goal is to be transparent. Additionally we want to control unnecessary spending. I will be meeting with DPS on Monday along with Noel to review “the books” to better understand some of the spending history of the FFCA.	
Old Business			
Road Sign	The road sign that was obstruction view of oncoming traffic has been removed.	Obstructing view Resolved	Resolved
Obstruction of roads	The FFCA roads have a 5 foot easement on either side. Abandoned and non running vehicles left on the side of the road and on the easement create a problem being able to easily pass by.	The Board is discussing how best to resolve this problem. Notices will be placed on cars that are clearly in the FFCA easement and it will be the lot owners responsibility to	Further discussion next meeting

		have these removed.	
Ai Pono (Friends Feeding Friends) Up-date	Ai Pono is a community outreach program that promotes healthy living with food and plant giveaways the 3 rd Wednesday of each month at the lot.	FFCA will continue to support this group by opening the gate and allowing use of chairs and benches.	No action necessary
Community Watch	Committee Update. This is an independent committee formed and managed by members of the community. It has been inactive for several months and looking to have ties activated again.	Those interested are able to form their own committee that reports to the Board on a regular basis	Status February meeting
Himalaya Blackberry Eradication Committee	There has been interest in forming a committee to volunteers to remove this invasive plant species.	Hanna Hedrick voiced interest in organizing and forming this Committee	Follow up February
Easement weed control	Clean up around our own property and 5 foot easement. The mower is currently broken so regular attention to weeds along the roads is not being done.	Ongoing issue	
Standing Reports			
Road Work	Crusher has been broken at Puna Rock so this slowed progress on the roads. Current plan is starting at Leila and all the roads from Captains down to Jungle King. Progress is weather dependent. Mac repaired the pothole at the S-turn because the pavement was being undermined and the situation would continue to get worse and FFCA does not have the equipment to redo the asphalt.		Informational , No action required
Treasurer	Since the resignation of our Treasurer we now have to gather information about the budget and expenses. Plan to meet with DPS on Monday to go over spending and review the books	Noel Pinkney Treasurer will be developing the 2022 budget.	Agenda, February meeting.
New Business			
Open Board position	At the last meeting a question was raised	The Board reviewed the Bylaws –	No further action required.

	from a community member if the Board would act in accordance with the Bylaws regarding the open position.	Specifically Appendix *4 Article IV Section II and will follow as the Bylaws direct	
Diesel Tank	Board members discussed the possibility of purchasing a larger storage tank for the tractor diesel. Current capacity is 100 gal and requires using the trailer to drive it to town to fill up. The previously owned tank holds 300 gal and is able to show number of gallons used. Commercial supplier will deliver diesel without a service charge.	Following discussion a motion was made to purchase the diesel tank for \$4,000. The trailer and existing 100gallon tank can then be sold and funds returned to FFCA account.	Motion Approved.
Backhoe on FFCA lot	The Board discussed and agrees to send the owner a letter about either removing it or donating to FFCA for possible sale.	Research name of owner and send letter requesting removal of the Backhoe.	Update February meeting
New blade for Tractor	With the current blade showing signs of wear that is not able to be fixed, the Board had considered purchasing a new blade.	This decision was put on hold until we can determine the FFCA account balance and projected income.	Tabled until a future date
Community Comments	<p>The Board opened the meeting for Community input.</p> <p>Road Signs with rock bases are “illegal” according to County rules. County roads end at the S-Turn and are then part of FFCA and not held to same rules as county.</p> <p>With plans for the new fuel tank is there a plan to have something in place in case of spillage</p> <p>Several members have concerns regarding the riding of ATV's in a way that is damaging the roads. Police will not respond unless a sign is posted that riding of ATVs in a manner to cause damage to the roads is not allowed</p>	<p>The Board will review any observe any additional requirements for safety involving the 300 gal tank.</p> <p>The Board will have a sign made that forbids the ATV activity. Members are encouraged to call the Police every time this is happening on their road.</p>	Status of sign February agenda

	<p>in FFCA</p> <p>Several members voiced that they have seen Ells just sitting on the tractor on his cell phone. Others complained that he has gone onto their property. One member recommends that Ells be removed.</p> <p>One member suggested that there be a plan to have a back up tractor operator that could be on a volunteer basis.</p> <p>A recent house fire on Omega prompted many to ask why our Volunteer FD did not respond.</p>	<p>The Board will meet with Ells to discuss work duties</p> <p>This plan would require that each volunteer would have to carry their own liability insurance</p> <p>The fire truck is no longer in the building: the Capitan is off on a medical leave. Not sure if Fire Department is paying for their utilities.</p>	<p>Get in touch with the Capitan to understand current status.</p>
Adjournment	Following community discussion a motion was made to adjourn the meeting	Seconded and passed	Meeting adjourned at 3:45 pm