

ARROWHEAD IMPROVEMENTS ASSOCIATION, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Saturday May 16, 2015 – 2:00 p.m.
Arrowhead Firehouse

Pledge of Allegiance- Veteran Val Taylor led the pledge.

Call to Order and Determination of Quorum:

President Mike Wigent called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Members present: President Mike Wigent, Vice President John Moseman, Treasurer Al Hale, Secretary Kathy Krohn, Val Taylor and Curt Treichel. Tim Carlson absent.

Additions To Or Deletions To Agenda:

There were several changes to the agenda: remove fact v. fiction, add “Welcome Wagon”, change the Delinquency Action to a Foreclosure Action and change the date on the “Approval of January minutes” to read 2015. John moved to approve the agenda with the above changes. Motion carried.

Minutes Approval (January Meeting):

The minutes of the January 2015 meeting were approved as written. Curt explained Robert’s Rules of Order states that if the time between meetings is greater than three months, then a special committee must be enacted to approve the minutes prior to the next meeting. A special committee will be formed to address this issue should it arise again.

Report on Special Meeting:

Mike reported on the Special meeting of Friday, May 15th.

Review of Financial Statements:

Treasurer Al Hale presented an overview of Financials. The Balance Sheet shows a transfer of monies to Bank of the West because the monies at Alpine Bank were approaching FDIC insured limit. On the Income Statement, Al reported that the Membership Lot Assessments revenue was higher at the present but believes this is because of prepayment of dues. Account 447, Misc. Incomes was higher due to the ASC payment on the groomer. Account 735 (forest refuse contract) was paid in May due to change in ownership of the property on which the site sit. Account 800, Insurance, will be paid in May instead of April due to the agent working on a possible premium reduction on the policy.

Old Business Action Items:

- **Land Swap:** A Motion was made by John to rescind the motion to the swap of Lots 3&4 for Lots 12&13, Commercial Area that was made in July 2014. The Board did not feel comfortable with the proceedings and since no action had been completed on the swap, the board felt it was in the best interests to revisit the topic anew in June 2015. Discussion surrounded the issue of winter snowmobile access to the Lodge and background on the original purchase of the two commercial lots for possible community center/office space. Motion was approved.
- **Cistern Letter:** The Board received a letter from Jim Squirrel’s attorney stating that cisterns were not allowed in Arrowhead as per the revised regulations passed in January 2015.
- **Sledding Hill:** The committee formed to examine the possibility of a sledding hill for Arrowhead, reported that due to lack of insurance, the sledding and official sledding hill is

not feasible. Report attached to minutes. The committee was thanked and a motion was made by John to discharge the sledding hill committee. Motion was approved.

- **“Welcome Wagon”:** A committee is established to realign who makes contact with new owners. The committee needs representation and input from all aspects of the Arrowhead community.

New Business Action Items.

- **Motion to Foreclose a Lien (1):** Al moved that the AIA resolve to authorize the foreclosure of the lien against that certain real property listed as 9.1561.02 of the AIA Delinquent Account List dated 04/30/2015. Motion passed.
- **Motion to Foreclose a Lien (2):** Al moved that the AIA resolve to authorize the foreclosure of the lien against that certain real property listed as 9.2803.01 of the AIA Delinquent Account List dated 04/30/2015. Motion was approved.
- **Motion to enter in Settlement Agreement:** Al moved that the AIA resolve to enter into an Agreement Settlement with owner of real property listed as 9.1244.01 of the AIA Delinquent Account List dated 04/30/2015. Motion was approved.
- **Election Tasks. Set Timeline Dates:** The AIA Board announced there were 2 seats up for election this year. Lindy Linder reported that if you are interested in running for the board, have your letter of intent to the Arrowhead Office by July 10th. Ballots will be mailed September 30th and need to be postmarked by November 16 to be counted. If you haven't previously designated a voter from a property owned by more than one owner, held in trust or a LLC, please do that before the ballots are mailed. John moved that the AIA request a proposal for election from Dalby Wendland for the 2015 election. Discussion: Dalby will be sent the requirements for the election and an agreement will be entertained. Motion was approved.
- **Joint Fire Suppression System:** The AFPD would like to place another fire suppression unit at the AIA equipment shed. The cost to the AIA would be ½ of the transportation cost. A correction to the amount stated in the special meeting of 05/15/15 is \$750 instead of the \$500 previously stated. John moved that the AIA board enter into an agreement with the AFPD to pay for ½ of the transportation cost and improvements of acquiring the military surplus fire suppression system. Motion was approved.
- **NNTC Project:** John moved that the AIA form a committee consisting of Val Taylor (Board Liaison), Rich Leary, and Jim Gelsomini to examine the proposal by NNTC to place a microwave tower at Arrowhead. Discussion included a history of the communication background at Arrowhead and various issues that may surface in this agreement. Motion was approved.
- **Minutes Approval Committee:** The development of this committee is dependent upon the dates of future board meetings. No committee was formed at this time.
- **Winter Off Road/Trail Issues:** John's Arrowhead Patrol report is attached. This issue is of concern due to safety, health and welfare concerns to the Arrowhead community. John stated that a pamphlet is being developed and the board will look at signage along the entrance roads of Arrowhead property.

Reports:

- **Arrowhead Patrol:** John's report will be attached to minutes
- **Communications:** Cappi Castro reported that the Smoke Signals articles need to be submitted by the 20th.
- **Design Review:** Joyce stated that there are several new houses being erected this summer. Again she reiterated the need for signs at driveways and preferably in reflective numbers.

- **Election Committee:** Lindy reported in the main meeting.
- **Forest Manager:** Bill Conway read his report and will be attached to minutes. Logging will be conducted in August/September by Montrose Forest Products. Non-stump dump opening will be announced.
He also reported that Arrowhead is being considered to be named as a Firewise Community.
- **Heavy Equipment:** Curt read his report and it will be attached to minutes.
- **Fire Department:** Fire training is the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Tuesdays of the month.

Board Announcements:

Winter Parking lot closes May 31, 2015. If you are unable to remove your equipment, let AP know.

Mike thanked Will and Ron for all their hard work for winter grooming.

Susan Leary doing well after her surgery.

Owner Comments:

There is an exercise class at the firehouse Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 10:00 AM. For information contact Joyce Boulter or Carla Vavrik.

4th of July picnic will actually be on Saturday the 4th.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Kathy Krohn,
Secretary

Arrowhead Patrol

May 17, 2015

Personnel:

- We have discussed the need to add reserve officers to assist both in special events and the holiday season.
- Patrol is limited to the availability of equipment resources.
- One idea is to ask for volunteers to help on a limited role to serve as reserve officers
- The Board wishes to thank the Patrol for their work and efforts this past holiday season.
- A staff meeting will be held in June to coordinate efforts and responsibilities to assist both emergency agencies and local authorities.

Equipment:

- We need to discuss and plan a deployment plan for placing strategic signage within the community to recognize the private property.
- The new sign-in boxes are almost complete.
- The Patrol has continued to take care of the equipment, and have been very responsive to the equipment needs. Thanks to each of you for this effort.

Current Management issues:

- The Patrol continues to assist owners in their limited driveway openings
- Owners are seeking to enter their lots earlier each year. We want to encourage owners to wait. Prematurely opening driveways can lead to waste of the Association time and resources, only to reopen again. Please wait for mother nature to work her magic.
- Increase traffic during our mud month requires more resources to fix damaged roads.
- Increase signage in problematic areas.
- In addition, a point of discussion will be shifting new owner information from the Patrol to the AIA new welcome wagon committee.

Medical Emergencies & Law Enforcement Assistance: The Patrol has responded to 2 emergency calls since January.

Incident Reports: Snowmobiling on private property continues to be a problem. In addition, several minor incidents were reported and the Patrol was able to make contact on most of those.

Winter Parking Lot: The winter parking area will be closed at the end of May. If you cannot get your equipment removed, please call the Patrol and inform them and make arrangements

Complaints: Complaints continue on snowmobiling on private property and excessive speed.

Respectfully Submitted,

John L. Roseman

FOREST MANAGER REPORT

MAY 16, 2015

I will soon be putting out beetle traps to determine when the beetles have started to fly. The flight will start slowly and we will have about a week to 10 days before there are enough beetles to threaten our trees.

When the flight starts a message will go out by blast email, Arrowhead face book page, and Arrowhead web site that it is time to put up MCH packs. Those who have provide their email with the MCH order will receive a direct message. The packs have 20% more chemical this year and will last about 2 months, so proper timing extends their effective life.

If additional trees die in the next few weeks, I will attempt to get them removed before the beetles fly and infect new trees. If owners see Douglas fir or spruce trees dying on private lots or on common land they should contact me immediately.

Logging by Montrose Forest Products of the remainder of the Long Draw Forest Service timber sale is planned for August and September. My best rough estimate at this time is that there will be a total of about 200 truck loads of logs. The primary concerns are driving safety and dust abatement. I have already had a conversation with Montrose Forest Products on these subjects and I will also be talking to the Forest Service and Gunnison County. I will be keeping the AIA board informed as I get more information and I can arrange a meeting between board members and the above parties if you think that is necessary.

One of the grant applications that I assisted owners with last year will be implemented this summer. Two applications have been withdrawn and 8 items are currently out for bid to an additional 12 contractors. I will be holding a show me trip for contractors on May 29. I will not be assisting with new applications until there is more success with the current proposals.

I have received one request for assistance from an owner so far this year concerning questions from their insurance company. I will be providing that owner information on the overall AIA mitigation and defensible space guidelines, certificate of completion if the work has been completed on their lot and a written assessment of the work that has been done on adjacent common land. This information may be helpful information to their insurance company. I will also provide a list insurance companies that have been writing policies at Arrowhead, but with no specific recommendation.

Cleanup day will be two weeks from today May 30. Meet at the firehouse at 0900 and bring trucks, trailers, and gloves. We will be done at noon.



Bill Conway

Arrowhead Forest Manager

HEAVY EQUIPMENT AND MAINTENANCE REPORT, MAY 2015

Curt Treichel, Heavy Equipment & Maintenance Liaison

Trash Compactor: The new large compacting trash dumpster is operational. We will improve the gravel conditions near the dumpster as soon as the area mud dries a bit, followed by the addition of a raised step to make it easier to access the higher door of this new compactor. If we find the bears can open the existing latch on the door, we will add an additional latch. Please be sure to securely latch the door after each use.

The other large temporary dumpster will be removed.

Shed: just about all: 2 gridders, snowcat, etc all

Alpine Plateau Road:

We will continue to manage this unique relationship between Arrowhead, Gunnison County, and the United States Forest Service. The absence of winter logging and an early spring have been a big help this year.

Spring 2015: Will Hobson has done an outstanding job this spring of keeping the roads as well drained as possible and grading out the worst of the spring potholes. Our most recent rainy and snowy weather is, unfortunately, opening up a plethora of new potholes.

Both Gunnison County and Will plan to blade the Alpine this next week, as soon as the rainy weather system moves out.

Summer 2015: We will work with the United States Forest Service and Gunnison County to improve drainage via culverts to reduce the frequency of potholing, particularly near the often muddy and potholed section just below Ute Road.

Gunnison County hopes to have their magnesium chloride blading team on the Alpine Plateau Road earlier this summer, possibly as early as late June.

U.S. Highway 50:

Colorado Department of Transportation continues to work on improving U.S. Highway 50 through our area. In addition to the usual periodic quick chip and seal resurfacing that occurs all along the highway, the big projects are scheduled as follows:

Summer 2015: There should be no long term traffic delays along U.S. Highway 50 near Arrowhead during this summer season.

DOT will relocate both the DOT Sand Dome from mile marker 120 and the DOT Garage from mile marker 125 to a new site at mile marker 127 to get them out of the way of future highway realignment.

There will be some minimum maintenance of the continuous roadbed deterioration at mile marker 120 as a stop-gap until 2016.

Summer 2016: Alternating delays all summer between mile marker 120 and 123 west of Arrowhead as they totally realign and rebuild the roadbed much like they did last year over Blue Mesa Summit.

Summer 2017: Alternating delays all summer between mile marker 125 and 127 east of Arrowhead as they totally realign and rebuild the roadbed much like they did last year over Blue Mesa Summit.

Sometime beyond 2017: Major delays between mile marker 123 and 125 right at the bottom of Arrowhead as they blast, realign, and totally rebuild the roadbed through Blue Creek Canyon. This very expensive project continues to languish due to lack of available funding.

Report Of The Special Committee To Investigate The Feasibility Of An Arrowhead Sledding Hill, May 2015

Curt Treichel, Committee Chair; Melissa Hernandez and Kathy Koeltzow, Committee Members

My first assignment as a new member of the Arrowhead Board of Directors was to lead a committee effort to look into the feasibility of creating an official sledding hill site within Arrowhead.

Melissa Hernandez and Kathy Koeltzow volunteered to serve on the committee with me.

Almost immediately after receiving this assignment in mid January, the national press began to air a plethora of news releases highlighting the trend of communities to close their sledding hills because of liability issues.

The BOD had already asked our attorney to give us guidance on the issue, and he suggested that the liability issue could be an issue for consideration.

Melissa, Kathy, and I decided that our first order of business ought to be the insurance issue before investing time on the various other aspects of creating a sledding hill.

After several conversations with our insurance agent, we learned that neither our present insurance underwriter nor our previous insurance underwriter would be interested in underwriting a sledding hill. Apparently it is an industry trend to not underwrite a sledding hill.

We felt it best to not pursue the sledding hill issue any further unless the BOD indicated a desire to do so.

(Colorado Weed Management Association)

Laurie Mingen 970-361-8262

Workshop led by: Dr. George Beck - prof of Weed Management at CSU in Ft. Collins CO

90 plants on noxious weed list.

Hoary Cress is more prevalent in wet years. They reproduce by seeds & roots. Roots can be 30 ft. deep. Weeds germinate very quickly & spread over large areas choking out native plants.

Noxious weeds disrupt the natural eco system. By the time they flower, seeds are already viable and remain viable for many years.

Noxious weeds change the character, condition, form or nature of the ecosystem.

Some species attract insects that cause disease – ex. mosquitos & West Nile Virus.

Many species are harmful to livestock & wildlife. Russian Knapweed can kill horses. Crown & roots have brownish-black scales. They are in our part of the state.

Colorado law written in 1990, amended in 1996, and last amended in 2003.

Also see: Section 2814 of Federal Weed Act

If you own property in Colorado, the law says it's every property owner's responsibility to keep their land free of noxious weeds. Part of owning a property in Colorado is taking proper care of it.

Getting rid of noxious weeds is not a choice. It's the law. Be a good neighbor. Don't endanger your neighbor's property.

Eliminate noxious weeds and restore area with native plants – grasses & wildflowers...Smooth Brome, Kent Blue Grass, etc.

Just one property owner who ignores the law can affect many acres and miles of native plants. Plant desirable plants & grasses. (Call Gunnison 642-4461 to purchase native seeds & grasses)

Herbicides:

To calculate amount of herbicide, surfactant, & water, go to _____ & click on calculator tab.

READ THE LABEL! Mix according to directions. Killing plants too quickly may not kill deep roots.

Treflan, Escort, Curtail, Round Up, Milestone, 24D, Tordon, Transline (kills Knapweed rosettes)

SALT is the oldest used herbicide.

Selecting & mixing herbicide and surfactant can be different for every stage of plant growth.

The density of Thistle and Knapweed multiplies with mowing – stimulates root growth – kill with herbicide. Milestone works well on these weeds.

After spraying large areas, wait 6 -12 months to plant grass.

Start spraying the perimeter area and work inward.

Mowing will keep plant from making seed. Encourage native plant communities to replace weeds.

Develop a plan

Implement the plan

Evaluate the results