

July 11, 2009 CCA Meeting Minutes

Present: 16 Carson residents in the CCA Community Center, 2pm.

The meeting started with some general input: Jim Defibaugh questioned the need to involve in decision-making those community members who aren't attending meetings. Bob Logue brought up the need to remind Carson residents to pay the annual \$10 dues if they have not already done so for this year. He also brought up the issue of creating a current phone tree for emergencies. Joy Wright proposed we provide a notebook at the Poco Loco and encourage people to provide their phone information. Jerry and Karen Boxberger will collect their neighbors' info. as well. Elizabeth Brownrigg and Elisabeth Maier will then compile all this data into an updated and working phone tree.

Treasurer's report: Elisabeth reported that at the last meeting in March, we had \$1630.50 in the bank account. We now have \$1670.80 thanks to donations placed in the Poco Loco CCA jar as well as a donation in made in honor of Wanda Schwilling, who is currently in the Living Center in Taos.

The Bissell's land grant for the CVFD has been completed and approved for use by the state fire department. We still owe the Bissell's for the cost of the survey. We will request a bill from Eric and set up a payment plan. It is believed the survey bill is approximately \$1000. Bob announced that Rick Hill still plans on possibly donating more land to the CCA.

Carson Volunteer Fire Dept: We are required to have 38,000 gallons of stored water on hand at all times. Bob checked on the price of a "bladder" type storage: we could get a 38,000 gallon one or a 50,000 gallon storage, which would cost \$17,000-\$18,000. Jerry found cisterns that hold 42,000 gallons for \$25,200. The county attorney said the water storage must be located near the Fire Department. Apparently Rick Hill has stated he will pay for one-half of the storage price once he gets his land issues sorted out. In order to have a viable FD that the state will fund, we need to create a space to house a firetruck, we need the abovementioned water storage, we need a well, we need to have people trained, and we need to exist for one year. Evidently the State will pay for the training of volunteers. We also need to talk to Greg Busick, the fire chief. Jim Defibaugh encouraged us to talk to Burghoffer, (sp?), in Embudo, who will willingly give us helpful information. Nonetheless, we need someone to look into writing grants for the other expenses. As the result of a motion made by Mike Lindsay, Bob volunteered to speak with Tia Haynes about the possibility of her writing the grants.

South Carson Main Road: Bob's contract for maintaining the road did get renewed, but for less \$.

Greenhouse committee: Elisabeth, Vonnie Mallon, Ken, and Tony met twice and went to see Jim Defibaugh. They concluded that the greenhouse we own is huge. The committee proposed erecting a smaller greenhouse instead and putting on the CCA property near the Quonset and away from the main road to avoid vandalism. Jim offered to donate water for an active greenhouse. Rob proposed to set up a simple roof collecting system w/ cistern. There was a discussion about the size of greenhouse needed, and the feasibility of selling or modifying the current one. It was concluded that the Greenhouse committee needs to determine if there truly is enough interest in the community to have a greenhouse, and if so, what size. Jim also proposed that the greenhouse could be approached as a revenue-generating project.

Farmers' Market: could be located near Hwy 567, using a small stand. Anyone could set up and sell for the day. Mike moved to have people get together to build a small stand and table for selling.

Rock wall needs to be erected along Joy's /CCA's property line. Volunteers are needed to show up at the CCA Community Center, (Quonset), on Thursday, July 23rd, at 8am to help organize and then move rocks. This shouldn't take too long, especially if a number of people pitch in. The people on the committee who will be there are: Bob Logue, Richard Hawley, Mike Lindsay, and Rob Hughes.

CCA Community Center floor: need to put dirt in building to raise floor before pouring concrete. That project to be determined on July 23rd. Items in the Quonset need to be removed- there is a loom and some doors, as well as other items, which are free. The cost for the concrete alone is \$900-\$1000. Rob proposed getting enough concrete to do both the floor and a porch extending approximately 5 feet in front of the door. Rob moved to pour concrete as soon as possible. Motion passed unanimously. Date to be determined. We will need 6 people to help on the day of the pour. We need donations of remesh reinforcing wire for this project. If you have some to donate, please drop it off behind the Quonset, (west side). The gate to the Quonset driveway is not locked.

DSL: Elisabeth reported that the Qwest representative needs to know how many people are interested in DSL as a first step. If you are interested, call her: 751-7480.

Newsletter: Elisabeth reported that she will start it up again as soon as possible.