

SILVER KNOLLS COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION Annual Membership Meeting
June 20, 2023
FINAL Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 1830 p.m. by President Rob Pierce. The meeting took place at the Silver Knolls Fire House and online using the Zoom Conferencing software.
2. Roll Call and Verification of Quorum:
 - a. Board members present: President, Rob Pierce; Vice President Jan Bishop; Recording Secretary, Tami Rougeau (Zoom); Treasurer Matias Leiva Zoom), Corresponding Secretary Shelly Doyle; Membership Chairman Oliver Ryan, Casey Meaden; Keith Dayton, Diane Walizer; Mickey Thompson
 - b. Members Absent: Carly Ennis (excused) Pam Becker (excused)
3. Public Attendees: Wendy Donahue, Linda Gordon
4. Approval of Minutes: May monthly minutes
 - a. Jan motions, Shelly seconds, Minutes approved unanimously
5. Treasurer Report
 - a. Beginning Balance \$6246.37
 - b. Expenses - \$165.41 for Office Supplies to Casey
6. Corresponding Secretary Report: SKCO member sent a letter regarding spraying of chemicals over private wells. Concerned that the chemicals will kill trees/plants. Was notified by the spay driver that they did not have to give notice and that if they don't want to be sprayed then to post a notice. Spraying was happening along the ditches in the neighborhood.
 - a. Rob says to contact the County Road Department with concerns
 - b. Jan says that they are respectful of signs posted to not spray
7. Membership: 83 paid members as of June 16, 2023
8. New Business:
 - i. Budget Discussion – Supposed to be discussed and voted on in May, we neglected to do the vote so we need to approve that budget now.
 1. Matias had presented last month. Casey Moves to Approve the budget presented in May. Jan Seconds. Unanimously approved by board.
 - ii. Silver Knolls dues discussion – needs to be voted on by all members to raise the dues in the annual ballot. We need to add it to the ballot for next year. Add this topic to the ballot for next year.
 - iii. Presentation Wildfire awareness, Kelli Presentation - unable to attend
 - iv. Electronic payment discussion – there is a charge from the bank along with cc fee; Paypal fees are reduced, maybe free. Further discussion will be had next month.
 - v. FAA airport noise survey discussion
(<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2023/05/01/2023-09113/request-for-comments-on-the-federal-aviation-administrations-review-of-the-civil-aviation-noise>) - Rob was at an

airport meeting last week and encouraged everyone to take a look and respond. They are looking to either increase or decrease the db level based on the result of the survey. Please post on FB, ND and webpage. Comments are due by July 31.

9. Old Business

- a. Ditch Repair – Keith talk to Brad Somerly from county, they are coming back to finish the ditches, will not be doing private property areas; July timeframe. If they need to go on private property they will give notice to get permission.
- b. Thistle is coming in thick and will spread quickly. Terribly invasive plant that is difficult to get rid of.
- c. Garage Sale Report – 47 residents participated; \$480 made for SKCO (actually made \$624 total including membership and GS, Silver knolls residents also got the Fire Wise handouts;
 - i. The last 2 years the attendance on Sunday is very low. Casey asks if next year we should only do Saturday. Discussion of members determines that we will only do Saturday next year.

10. President and Board Items

- a. President announcements – Announcement regarding north valley water improvement open house this Thursday. Will talk about our water here in north valley's at the community center on Silver Lake Road; talk about future projects; Several agencies and plans will be represented and responsible parties available to have discussion.
- b. Next monthly board meeting – third Tuesday, 18 July 2023, 1830 at the firehouse or Zoom option
- c. Agenda items are due the Tuesday prior
- d. CAB is the second Tuesday of the month at the North Valley's Library with Zoom option. Good way to keep up with what is going on locally. Washoe County Website has the link to the CAB meetings.

11. Other Business

- a. Neighborhood Watch:
 - i. Pick up truck going to fast, 2 horses going the same direction one on each side, the PU went in the middle of the horses; one horse ran into the truck (or vice versa maybe) and the rider was dismounted and injured as well as the horse. Occurred on Vicksburg.
 - ii. Young adult doing wheelies in the park, riding a blue and white motorcycle, tearing up the park; resident confronted the rider; rider ran away, he may live on Cimarron and is well known to the neighborhood along with some others.
- b. Board Member Comments
 - i. Jan has information regarding FedEx purchasing Reno Stead Airport, That is a rumor and they cannot purchase the entire airport. Need to contact Scott Gordon, Airport Manager. Requests that we invite Scott to attend another meeting. They did confirm that no large commercial jets are permitted in this airport. There is a lot of

runway work currently going on; ramp work also in front of the grand stand;

- ii. Fire planes have to do training every couple of weeks and they have been active lately in preparation.
- iii. Matias – the number of loose dogs seems to be increasing, or is there just more reporting online.

c. Attending guests are listed above

12. Public Comment

- a. Linda Gordon – “interesting that they are having water meetings while they are poisoning our water with chemicals in the weed spraying and weed abatement. Water that runs down the ditches is foamy and that is the chemicals in the ground washing out. The county is using a known toxin without our consent. Most people probably don’t even know that it is a poison they are spraying twice a year (glyphosate, highly toxic)”

13. Adjournment at 1922

Respectfully Submitted

Tami R. Rougeau
Recording Secretary