

MINUTES

Port Costa Conservation Society Board of Directors Meeting, April 15, 2019

Ridge Greene, Chairman	<u>Attending</u>
Jeff Wilson, Vice Chairman	<u>Attending</u>
Michael Domagalski, Secretary	<u>Attending</u>
Anne Mann, Treasurer	<u>Attending</u>
Suzanne Statler, Financial Secretary	<u>Attending</u>

Also attending: Bibiana Princeton, Linda Pariani, Janet Tatterson, John Mann, Spencer Sargent, Veronica Crane, Sarah Humann, Denny

Meeting: Called to order by Chairman at 7:05 pm

Last Meeting's Minutes: approved

This Month's Agenda: amended, approved

1. Public Comments

- a. Bibiana Princeton would like to rent the School meeting room within the next few months for a series of sewing classes, a sort of summer school program. It would be 32 hours in total, with 12 children or fewer. A fee would be charged participants, and the organizer hopes to make some income from it. This brought up issues of insurance, what fee the PCCS would charge for room use. Jeff said Board would discuss issues and communicate with her.
- b. Anne M: playground use – dog owners sometimes enter, close the gate and do not allow others to enter while they are using it. This is unacceptable, it is a playground for town use, with children given priority. Owners with aggressive dogs may not use the playground, especially if children are present. Acceptable for dog owners to close the gate, but they can't forbid others to enter. There has to be communication by PCCS to such users when needed.
- c. Neighbors from across the street did some grounds work which is appreciated.
- d. Denny had major complaints about the noise during weddings that he has to endure living across the street. Ridge explained that the PCCS addresses all complaints about noise.

2. Treasurer's Report

- a. The taxes were paid, there hasn't been any new mail, nothing else to report.

3. Chairman's Report

- a. Will lead meeting from the following approved agenda.

4. Events Report

- a. First baking class by Rene on 4/8. It was great. The class and advertising for it will go slow at first.
- b. Discussion about trying to collect email addresses during events, for future use. Some Board members will move forward to develop an email list.

5. Upcoming Events

- a. Grizzly Peak Century bike ride 5/5, there will not be a workers ride.
- b. Green Cleanup day confirmed 5/13. An annual event, the gate is kept open for two weeks, up until the chipper comes on 5/13. Poster will go up the end of this week.
- c. Fund-raiser for museum 5/16, 6:00-8 pm. It is ready to go, the CCF will provide matching funds for money that is raised. The fire truck will be out front, there will be

docent tours, artifacts like photos will be set up, there will be a talk at 7 pm about what we're doing and where we're going. Food and beverages. See also Ongoing Business c. (Bulbs had been removed from lighting in that room and have to be put back in.)

- d. Town-wide Yard Sale 5/25. Was also granted matching funds from the CCF. The ad for the Crockett Signal sent in today. Ridge would like to turn cooking over next year. Over 3,000 people were interested on Facebook, fewer than that will actually come. No formal parking plan in place, will have to consider. No conflict seen with Crockett's yard sale.
- e. Weddings: Berryman/Hollander 6/1, Pierce/Rosser 7/13, List 10/5, Waterman 10/12. No other weddings are pending.
- f. Fourth of July (10th annual parade). Bathrooms open, announcements and music on front porch.
- g. Car Show. Hilary and Mitch in charge. Hilary proposed Sunday August 4 for the event. The date isn't final yet, but Board has made all weekends in August available.

6. Ongoing Business

- a. Grant Committee – meeting has been working on application for the Valley foundation grant. Seeking to turn it in by the end of the month. The CCF grant: backstairs are proceeding, with concrete pouring.
- b. Deed restriction: no progress at this point. We are working for as permanent a deed restriction as we can get so the building and land remains PCCS' regardless of other developments.
- c. Status of museum & archive organization work. Continuing to work on Thursdays 9-5 on cataloging when Sophia is here (who is here until 5/16). Work is slow and methodical. Seeking possible funding for fire truck from Philips. Linda Pariani has a collection of family photos and items that she may be able to donate or loan. Archive items that migrated to people's homes during a period of break-in problems at the School need to be brought back in for integration.
- d. Status of alarm system and phone lines. Still getting a few false alarms, may need sensors for hardier conditions. In future, security cameras will be covered in this agenda item. The price for proposed cameras is mid-\$4K, more than we hoped for, but typical for reasonably good camera systems. Installation options discussed. We'll have to get an additional phone line in to make it available online. A small grant is a possibility.
- e. Elevator. Inspection hasn't been scheduled yet, may have to wait until inspector is working in this area.
- f. Field Semester Operating Plan status. TFS has to start their county application process before any further action possible.
- g. Knox Box status. Ridge has submitted application, there will be a fee.
- h. Website status. Website volunteer Jeanavive updates it as her schedule allows.
- i. Fence repair. Nothing recently done.
- j. Baking class by Rene. See Events Report a. Will leave this agenda item on for future reporting.
- k. Status of fire truck. Tom did a great job cleaning up the blackberries, painting the container, saving the historic fire truck. School now has a piece of Port Costa history. There will be an article on the fire truck and museum in the Signal.

7. New Business

- a. Covered in Public Comments a.

Meeting adjourned: 8:00 pm

Election for two Board seats

Ballots were closed at 8:00 pm for counting and announcement of results. Jeff W, Veronica C, and Sarah H counted the ballots and recorded the results. Veronica announced the following results for the election of two PCCS Board seats for a 4-year term each:

Michael Domagalski received 55 votes. **Re-elected.**

Anne Mann received 51 votes. **Re-elected.**

Linda Pariani received 44 votes.

Kristen Stewart received 12 votes.

The Port Costa Conservation Society Board of Directors are now:

Ridge Greene, Jeff Wilson, Michael Domagalski, Anne Mann, and Suzanne Statler.

Volunteer Hours in the past month:

Name	Hours	Name	Hours	Name	Hours
Ridge Greene	12	Anne Scheer		Sarah Humann	10
Jeff Wilson		Carol Palacio		Spencer Sargent	
Michael Domagalski		Dee Stewart		Veronica Crane	
Anne Mann	12	John Mann		Victoria Ryan	12
Suzanne Statler		Michelle Bow			