

The Rancho Tehama Association (RTA) Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2008

President Jim Long called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Quorum Present: Jim Long, Penny McGee, Danny Murray, and Sheri Schultz. The Pledge to the Flag was given.

Communications:

Announcements: Meeting of Organizations to set the 2008 calendar will follow this meeting.

Open Forum: Anders White said the Maintenance Planning Committee has lost one member and one is out of town, so the regular monthly meetings will start up again in April, including Director Murray. Ruth Haskell is asking to head up the 4th of July event again this year, and repeated that the Program Committee, of which she is a member gets no funding from the Association for its events. Free photos from the Christmas Tree Lighting and the Santa Fly-in events are available today. Debbie Elworthy announces her plans to hold a theatrical for children, including costume-making, to be held in the Park. She will seek the assistance of the Program Committee. Dee Oliver questioned why we are out-sourcing our payroll service instead of doing it in-house with our new Quickbooks program. Director McGee said the Office Personnel were weak in the bookkeeping department and that it was better to have an outside service take that role. Director Murray said there were problems in the past with having an employee do the payroll for other employees.

Agenda Changes/Additions: Agenda was changed to add reports from Airstrip and Elections Committees, and a new business item that has arisen after the agenda was posted—the very recent non-renewal notice on our general liability insurance policy. (**Schultz, motion seconded and passed [msp]**)

The minutes of the December 18, 2007 meeting were adopted as read (McGee, [msp]).

Reports of the Officers:

President: The Board has appointed Sharon Easton to fill the vacant Director position from January to August 2008 after a secret written ballot was held January 8. She was picked unanimously from a slate of four eligible applicants: Sharon Easton, Mel McNeil, Bill Westin, and Anders White. Director Easton was installed immediately.

Treasurer: McGee reported \$2,428.05 in the Asset Reserve, \$110,562.64 in the General Fund Checking, \$400.00 Petty Cash, \$200.00 Post Office Petty Cash accounts as of 1/15/08. **A transfer of \$14,000 will be made this month from checking to the Asset Reserve to fund reserves per the 2008 budget plan (Murray [msp]).**

Director: Office/Post Office Management: Dues statements were mailed 1/14/08; our auditor and Quickbooks CPA will be here 1/23 to 1/25/08. Appreciation of Post Office employees' work during the recent 2-day power outage was extended. Written report attached.

Secretary: Report and Communications were read (attached) from 1) attorney advising non-collectibility of the \$15,000 deposit on the lighted marquee project, 2) Verizon Wireless on getting cell phone service in our area, 3) Member Ray Fernandez requesting Antelope re-surface. Future minutes will be available after adoption. New County General Plan shows no change in service to RT.

2nd Vice President/Maintenance: Utility staff is filling potholes and cleanup of recent storm damage, and filling member work requests. Twelve calls came to the volunteer fire department during the weekend storm. The Maintenance Planning Committee is asked to work on feasibility of a backup power generating system so that Association services to the Community will not be interrupted in the future, when the PGE service fails.

Standing Committee Reports:

Architectural/EC: 10 development applications have been received; 4 are waiting for county approval.

Program—(Report attached). Alta Cowden was thanked for providing the free photos for the December event. Director Easton thanked the committee for all its hard work.

Covenants—Report attached. The county free abatement does not cover trailers over a certain size; those will cost something to be removed. Trailer appliances must be removed to the dump separately.

Special Committee Reports:

Airstrip: Report attached. The "Friends of the Airport" is a private organization not sponsored by the Association.

Elections: Bertha Morreira was appointed to the Committee to replace Sharon Easton. Tammy Hay, chair, recommends that the Board not adopt new election rules prepared by an attorney, and continue operating under the committee procedures adopted June 7, 2006. **The Board approved \$400 for the association attorney to craft a concise written set of election rules (Easton [msp]).**

Unfinished Business:

LeAnn Andrews CPA: Long moved to accept a new one-year contract with LeAnn Andrews to continue bookkeeping oversight (msp).

New Business:

Gen Liability/Umbrella Insurance Non-Renewal: Final notice that our current carrier will not renew has only been received in the past 3 days due to apparent broker mis-information. President Long will take steps to get insurance quotes to vote on prior to renewal date of February 3, 2008.

Transfer Station Fencing: The association staff will install new fencing along the back of the transfer station as an "in-house" project. Long moved to have the Maintenance Planning Committee report on feasibility and cost of enlarging the transfer station fenced area to include the current RV camping area that has 4 electric hookups, so that the Board can take a vote at the next meeting (msp).

School Bus Routes: It was voted to send a letter to propose curtailing Rancho Tehama bus routes starting next year to the School District Transportation Departments, with a view to safety and costs of road maintenance; travel to be limited to Stagecoach and Rancho Tehama Roads (Long [msp]). The speed and weight of the buses are a factor in the proposal. CHP can be notified if buses are observed speeding.

Lifetime Lease to Youth Activity Foundation to Build Multi-Purpose Building and Evacuation Center at Fawn Meadows: A clarified written request was proposed (copy attached). It was noted that the statement that CDF/Station 13 and Rob's Recycling have leases is incorrect; those entities have management arrangements with RTA, the owner and exclusive users of the common area property. Action continued to a future meeting.

Control of Off-road Vehicle Use at RT: After heated discussion on this sensitive issue, it was agreed that the Board will send a letter to our Supervisors, the CHP and the Sheriff agencies to request a meeting for advice on how to handle the off-road vehicle problems at Rancho Tehama. In addition each individual resident is expected to be considerate of his neighbors in reducing noise and property damage nuisance activities.

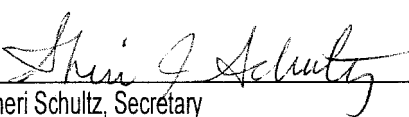
There being no further business, the open meeting was adjourned to Executive Session at 11:01 a.m.

In Executive Session at 11:33 a.m. on January 15 a quorum of Easton, Long, McGee, Murray, and Schultz was reached. The

Board:

- 1) Appointed Sandra Bakele to the Membership Committee.
- 2) Settled 1 member dispute.
- 3) Voted to sign use permit contract with Tehama County to use the Rec Hall for 2008 elections. (from 12/18/07)

Executive Meeting adjourned at 2:52 p.m.



Sheri Schultz, Secretary

Date: 1/22/08

Date Approved: 1/22/08

Date Corrected: _____