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**SADDLE CREEK COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

February 17, 2009

CALL TO ORDER

The Saddle Creek Community Services District (CSD) Board of Directors held their monthly meeting on Tuesday February 17, 2009. President Russ called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM in the Members Lounge and led Directors and staff in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Roll call indicated the following directors were present:

President:	Sue Russ
Vice-President:	Bob Kenyon
Secretary:	Steve Marsden
Director	Charles Robinson
Director	Dennis Merrill

Staff: The following staff members were present:

General Manager:	Charles Martin
Site Manager:	Greg Hebard
Clerk/Treasurer:	Phyllis Richards

Public:	Castle & Cooke	Dave Haley
	Castle & Cooke	Paul Stein
	Public Citizen	Steve Marks (Copper Fire Dept.)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

M/ by Director Kenyon and S/ by Director Marsden to approve the minutes of the January 20, 2009. M/ passed unanimously.

CHANGES TO THE ORDER OF AGENDA:

None suggested.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Marks wanted to explain the Fire Dept.'s "vote Yes on Measure L", which will be on the ballot for a special vote requested by the Copperopolis Fire Dept. He stated that he was not representing the Fire Dept., but here as a private citizen. He went on to explain that Measure L is not a tax or tax increase. It is authorization to allow the Copperopolis Fire Protection District to use the revenues

from taxes that were already approved by the voters of the District. He also gave the Board Members a hand out which explains the measure in detail (copy attached). It was also mentioned that they have a Paramedic that is certified to teach CPR. President Russ mentioned that Floyd Thionnet is currently working with the Copperopolis Fire Dept. to set up a class for Saddle Creek members that might be interested. Mr. Haley offered to put the hand out in the next mailing to the residence from the HOA. Mr. Marks said that he would get about 350 of the hand outs to Mr. Haley for the mailing.

CONSENT CALENDAR: Consent Calendar items are considered routine and will be acted upon by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the Board, Staff or a member of the public requests specific items to be set aside for separate action.

- a. M/ by Director Robinson and S/ by Director Kenyon to move approval of expenditures incurred by the district during the month of January. M/ passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE: (Board will briefly address/respond/refer)

GM Martin received late correspondence from the County, reminding the Board that the 700 form is due back to the County by April 1, 2009. President Russ requested Clerk/Treasurer Richards to make copies of last years completed forms to give to the Board Members. Clerk Richards will make copies and deliver to the Board Members prior to next months meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Action/Simple Motion: Staff request Board approval for submission of FY 2009 Budget (Revised January 20, 2009) to Calaveras County Auditor/Controller as required by SB135. M/ by Director Robinson and S/ by Director Kenyon to approve submission of FY 2009 Budget (Revised January 20, 2009) to Calaveras County Auditor/Controller as required by SB135. M/ passed unanimously.
- b. Information/Discussion: Saddle Creek burning piles throughout Saddle Creek with no advance notice to residence. Site Manager Hubard stated that he received a call from a residence in the Knolls because

the smoke got into their homes. The problem was that over the past few years they had the piles in the Knolls, and landscapers and other were dumping into the pile. Castle and Cooke starting working on this problem to clean it up.

Over the past few years, Greg has found that if you separate the green grass and dirt, the piles will burn hot for a short time, but approximately 95% of the pile will be gone within 36-48 hours. The problem is when trash or sod gets mixed in with it; it tends to smoke. CSD tries to burn when the material is dry, not the day after it rains, and when there is a breeze, so that the smoke blows away from the homes. It is not really possible to give advance notice, because they never know when they are going to burn until the morning of the burn because they have to call the Clean Air Control for permission to burn, and they will not let you know until that day.

Mr. Haley said that they did get a call from Mrs. Ferraro, and she was very upset about the smoke in her home. He said that they made a mistake, and they set four (4) fires very close together. Unfortunately there was garbage and sod mixed in with the piles so it made a lot of smoke. He said that the Ferraro's under stood that this was a mistake, and in the future they should not have this problem. The next day Saddle Creek used the water truck to put out the fire and with the rain it took care of the piles and smoke.

Greg suggested that the golf course put their green material on the east side of the property so that when they do the burn it will not affect the residence.

STAFF REPORTS

Site Manager: Greg said that the new cameras will be installed within the week. Also, the Resident Entry Gate has been opened after 11:00PM at night when the gate staff leaves because the circuit in the board at the key pad got burned up. Therefore, they have to leave the gate opened so that the residence can get into the property. It should be fixed tomorrow.

General Manager: Nothing

Clerk/Treasurer: Phyllis advised that we have purchased a new Multi-function Canon Printer. Total cost of new printer, 3 year warranty and new toner cartridge was \$925.00. With the rebate and credit from the old printer it will cost CSD a total of \$225.00 for all three (3).

DIRECTORS REPORTS:

President Russ – None

V/President Kenyon – None

Secretary Marsden – Drain down by the mail boxes in Rock Ridge has a gas odor, some people are worried that it might be propane. Greg said that it is grass clippings that go into the storm drain. Greg said that it is nothing to worry about. He will have his staff go up with the water truck and flush it out; however, the smell will come back as soon as more stuff gets in the drain.

Director Robinson – Advised the Board that will not be able to attend the next two Board Meetings due to work.

Director Merrill – None

ADJOURNMENT – Having no further business, President Russ adjourned the meeting at -2:35PM. CSD's next board meeting date is March 17, 2009, which is St Patrick's Day, so wear green.

Phyllis Richards, CSD Clerk/Treasurer

Charles Martin, General Manager

APPROVED BY:

Sue Russ, Board President

Steve Marsden, Board Secretary

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