

CPCOA Board Meeting Minutes
Dave Leinweber's cabin—June 21, 2013

Present: Mark Hevland, Carl & Sue Buchholz, Kathy Hoffert, Jim Lundeen, Dave & Patty Leinweber, Maureen & Wayne Bell, Winona and Roy Rombough.

Thanks to Patty and Dave for inviting us to their cabin and serving dessert. It was delicious and a great way to begin our meeting.

Dave called the meeting to order.

Meeting Reports: Dave presented the following items:

Chipper Grant: The chipper program may still be available to members. Members can check with North Yakima Conservation District for information.

WSFHA Meeting: Dave reported that Washington State organization has new leadership who are working to keep this group intact and active. Doug Gann also presented at this meeting and Dave had a handout of his presentation.

Rimrock Association Meeting: Dave presented information on the Bumping Lake situation and the Cabin Watch Program we have initiated in our association. Several Rimrock members were interested in this program and asked for more information. Dave asked Mark to contact their president Kim Stiles. Kelsey Collins, WA DOE Water Bank rep spoke about the water bank that legislature has funded. She will work with camps first to establish their water needs and then with cabin owners. Dave invited Kelsey to speak at our summer/potluck meeting on June 22th.

USFS: Dave met with District Ranger Irene Davidson, Jackie K Beidl, Karen Lindhorst, and RCOA President Kim Stiles to discuss how the FS and our associations can work together to better serve cabin owners. Dave reported the meeting was a worthwhile venture. One topic discussed was better communication as a result of the fire closures that went into effect last August. There was miscommunication as to why we couldn't have any fires at all. Unbeknown to many of us, there was an air quality control ban in Yakima County which affected us. Irene stated she expects budget cuts for the Naches Ranger District. The group brainstormed other ideas. One idea is to have association members with expertise on topics assist others. Fee retention was discussed. Karen will be retiring in January. This group plans to meet twice a year and have scheduled a fall meeting.

2013 Permit Billing: Cabin owners should have received their lease billings in the mail. Dave asked that cabin owners check with their neighbors to see if billing is compatible. One item missing on the billing statement is the amount of the total assessment which will be collected over the next 3 years which could be confusing to cabin owners.

Bumping Lake E-11 Permit Issue: Bumping Lake cabin owners are still working to get the E-11 clause removed from their lease agreement. At present the land is retained by the Bureau of Reclamation and they have the right to notify cabin owners to remove improvements (cabins etc.) from their land within 90 days

with no reimbursements. This land is managed only by the Forest Service. They have hired a lawyer to help fight their case. The NFH is also becoming involved with what is happening at Bumping Lake.

Field Trips: Carl announced that the July 20th Rock Hound Field Trip has been canceled because Paul Hammond has agreed to conduct a geology field trip July 27th. Interested cabin owners and others will meet at 12:00 p.m. at the Woodshed. This field trip could last until 6:00 p.m. but half way through, participants can return back to the starting location. August 10th will be the Bumping Lake Field Trip with Suzy Cyr. The final field trip "Fall Mushrooms Exploration" will be announced when final plans are made. This event may be scheduled in September or October depending upon the rains. The Copper City field trip will be canceled another year because the road to Copper City remains closed.

CPCOA Cleans Up" Event: Kathy Hoffert reported she will have a sheet available for cabin owners to sign-up for our clean up day at the Bumping Lake Launch on July 20th. Dave was concerned about scheduling a Bumping Lake Launch Area clean-up at this time of the year. It is a busy time for boaters and may be too congested to do much clean-up. It was suggested Kathy contact the FS and ask if we can clean-up the Mather's Parkway as we did last year. Kathy will check with the FS and inform association members of the clean-up day and time. Cabin owners will meet from 8:00 a.m. to noon and are asked to bring shovels, rakes, brooms, gas blowers and edgers, plastic bags and gloves. Members will join for lunch after the clean-up has been completed.

Forest Watch Program: Mark Hevland reported he has tried to contact Kim Stiles president of the Rimrock Association but has received no response. If the Rimrock Association joins us in this program, we will work together to combine ordering needs to get a bulk rate. Mark has signs and information packets ready to distribute to tract sponsors at Saturday's meeting. He has engravers available for tracts to use to identify cabin items.

Financial Report: Jim reported we have 140 members which is a record for our association. Some board members felt that this increase of membership was because of the Welcome Letter sent to all cabin owners in February. Jim shared information he plans to use at our Summer Potluck meeting to explain the board's proposal to raise association dues to \$60.00 a year. (National Dues are being raised to \$40.00 and state dues to \$2.00, with \$18.00 for CPCOA). It has been 10 years since our local association and national has raised dues. Jim will ask for a vote from members to approve this increase

2014 Budget?: Maureen made a proposal that we create a 2014 budget to be approved by members at our fall meeting. Board members agreed. Jim will draft a budget proposal and send a copy to board members for input and approval.

CFA Donation: After a discussion, Mark made a motion seconded by Maureen to donate \$200 to CFA. There were 5 aye vote and 1 nay vote.

Bumping Lake Donation: Kathy made a motion seconded by Maureen to donate \$500 to the Bumping Lake Cabin Group. Motion passed 100%.

Member Meeting Agenda Review: the Board agreed with Dave's meeting agenda for our summer/potluck meeting on June 23rd.

Fall Officer Election Nominations: Dave stressed we need to diligently seek nominations for the Vice President position. He needs assistance with his job. The following members have agreed to be run for: President, Dave Leinweber, Treasurer, Jim Lundeen and At-Large position, Mark Hevland. Our association also needs a webmaster.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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