

Floyd Hill Area Property Owner Association Meeting
January 13, 2020
Clear Creek Fire Station off US 40
Agenda and Minutes

In attendance: Reg Fleming, Dave Kenney, Melissa Menard, John Muscatell, Bill Mutschler, Jessica North, Lisa Pettitt, Jim White

Call to order by Bill Mutschler

Read and approve old minutes: Bill Mutschler moved and Dave Kenney seconded the motion.
Minutes from 11/21/19 were approved.

Officers Reports

—**Treasurer:** Dave Kenney reported that our account balance is \$16,300 and PayPal balance is \$1300. To date, we have received dues for 2020 from approximately 50 households. He also submitted a proposed budget for 2020 expenses, with income estimates totaling \$3500 (100 memberships) and expenses of approximately \$2800. (see Attachment A)

—**Secretary:** Lisa Pettitt submitted a summary of written responses to questions on the membership form (i.e., What would you like to see FHAPOA do? How would you like to participate? Comments/Suggestions—see Attachment B)

Main issues included fire mitigation, monitoring and advocating for responsible development, mailboxes, access and egress routes (traffic backups on weekends/holidays and exit options for fire/emergencies), road maintenance

Committee Reports and Old Business

Roads and Bridges

—Bill Mutschler raised the issue of having more sand barrels on the roads during the winter; John Muscatell recommended reaching out to Karl Schell (County director of Road and Bridge division)

—There is a new county snow removal policy that can be found on the county website:
https://www.clearcreekcounty.us/DocumentCenter/View/9871/Snow-Removal-Policy_Road-and-Bridge_092319

—Questions about paving roads: not all people want paved roads (e.g., paving encourages people who don't know how to drive/live in mountains to move here) and before paving is even considered by the county, drainage issues need to be addressed first

—I-70 task force: Bill Coffin and John Muscatell serve and next operations meeting will be addressing traffic back ups

—Improvements being considered for our area: Immediate—Wildlife crossing overpass across I-70 with north end by firehouse and 2 roundabouts (1 at US40 and CR 65 and one at US40 and Homestead Road). An environmental assessment needs to be completed and money allocated (\$25 million); time frame is estimated at 6 months to 2 years; Long term—3rd lane down to

tunnels and bridge or tunnel near Two Bears to reduce the curve and allow for 55mph speeds; cost is \$600-700 million

—**Emergency Access/Egress:** there is an emergency egress via Saddleback on Sawdust Court. Difficulty with Pat Creek off Beaver Brook is the swampy area at the beginning. Another possibility would be to look at a drivable trail from Clear Creek High School to County Road 65. John M. recommended reaching out to Karl Schell and CDOT to ask for estimates (although CDOT won't fund); coordinating such a project with the roundabouts construction would be economical because of the equipment already being there.

—**CDOT public meeting: Thursday, February 27th, Clear Creek High School. It can be very informative and good to offer input here.**

—**CWPIP:** consider offering incentives for wildfire mitigation, including Colorado tax incentives of 50% for fire mitigation up to \$2500:

<https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/sites/default/files/Income65.pdf>. Also, there will be a meeting on February 13th at the Fire Station with Jamie Bradley to discuss plans for 2020, including bringing in a chipper again.

—**Meadow development:** The properties have been sold. It is not clear what use new owners intend. Jim White encouraged people to become aware of how developers are using special districts. A series of articles on the topic was in the Denver Post at the end of 2019:

<https://www.denverpost.com/tag/debt-and-democracy/>

—**Membership:** Ideas were raised for how to increase membership, including ways to reach out to new residents, holding a 2nd membership drive in June, and sharing accomplishments and plans for coming year. Also, would be good to remind people that our HOA is not a typical one with lots of rules but more of a community support effort.

—**Nominations for officers:** Final nominations were taken for 2020 officers. Those running are Jim Cotsworth, President, Bill Mutschler, Vice President, Lisa Pettitt, Secretary, and Dave Kenney, Treasurer. It is worthy of note that none of these people will be eligible to serve in the same offices during 2021 as they will all have reached their 2 year term limit. A link to a virtual ballot will be emailed to current members later this month.

—**Newsletter:** We have received some positive feedback on the newsletter. It was recommended that we consider adding reports on roads and development in future editions. Note that future editions will be sent via email to reduce paper use and mailing costs.

New Business

—**Internet:** County Commissioner Sean Wood is working on better access to internet: options include Hughes.net (satellite), Century Link (DSL); there was some discussion about 5G via TMoblie and Verizon. What works can vary widely by location on the Hill. Local Improvement Districts, which are controlled by the county commissioners, might be a consideration for

increasing internet access. Commissioners are going to have a workshop to go through issues; if interested, contact Beth Luther (administrator). ~~PTP~~ ~~SEP~~—**Website**: Karen Dobel is interested in passing on responsibility for maintaining our floydhill.org website. Bill Mutschler will call her and consider taking this on. Also, Jessica North is willing to consider upgrading the website. A great thanks to Karen for her thorough, careful, and thoughtful work on the website for many, many years! It's been a great resource.

NEXT MEETING will be Monday, March 9th, 2020 at 7pm. Please join us!

The meeting was **adjourned** by Bill Mutschler.