



Minutes from the August 21, 2019 Friends of Atascadero Lake Board Meeting

Present: Nancy Hair, Dena Kaigel, Cristel Wilson, Paul Murphy, Olan Kaigel, Michelle Harms, Bob Edmonds, Barbara Combs, Mark Hontz. Absent: Kathy Hontz, Jon Trumbull, Don Lynge. Guests: Dick and Wendy Pierce, Reni Dolan

- Approval of the July 17, 2019 board meeting minutes
- Treasures Report, Olan Kaigel: Beginning balance of \$35,265.52, deposits of \$225.00, withdrawals of \$4,074.96 leaving an ending balance of \$31,415.56. Our PG&E bill was \$1,123.58 quite a bit more than last year. We are not sure if it is because the pump was replaced and electric worked on or if the rates have gone up. We do know that the well is pumping more water as the lake levels have remained high especially for this time of year. Paul Murphy will contact PG&E and get more information regarding the bill.
- Algae Report, Bob Edmonds: The city did apply the dye and probiotic to the lake in July. We do know that they have gotten the permit for the algaecide but do not know when they will apply it. There has been no response from the city to the question regarding the proliferation of the “duckweed”, which is an aquatic fern, that is spreading on the South end of the lake. We all agreed that the lake looks beautiful and that the algae treatments are working. We are grateful to Nick Debar and the city for focusing on the lake and their continued support.
- Lake Perimeter Signage, Michelle Harms: Our first sign draft is completed, and the prototype draft is at the city with Amanda. We are waiting for the final approval from Richelle Rickard, City Manager. Our plan is to have the first “introductory” sign installed by December 7th for The Holiday Walk Around the Lake. Now that we have the outline and color palette, future signs will move quickly as we have been working on content and gathering photographs. Michelle has done an outstanding job on this and also working with the city. City staff have been a tremendous help with graphic design and proofreading. This has saved us quite a bit of money that would have been spent on outside graphic designers.
- Lake Perimeter Clean-up, Nancy Hair: We are waiting to hear back from the city on a Saturday October date. The perimeter path is really overgrown and with our volunteers it will be a lot of work. We are hoping that the city will provide extra help with the Conservation Corps or a similar organization. They will be able to use the needed power tools to really cut back the overgrowth. There are some areas you must walk out in the street to avoid the brush. Paul Murphy said he would also contact The Grizzly Academy about sending volunteers and Bob Edmonds will contact Dane Mumford about using his CMC crew.
- LakeFest 2020, Nancy Hair: We have been contacted by the 4th of July Bluegrass Festival Committee about partnering with them on the 4th. We are divided as to combine or not. Partnering with another non-profit helps everyone, but it would be difficult to keep our

“LakeFest” name recognition and our mission separate. We will be having another more in depth meeting with the 4th committee to discuss where we can come together or not. If you have any ideas on the subject, we would love to hear from you.

- Round Table: Paul Murphy voiced his concern with long email chains when one is sent to a board member and then another. It is too hard to follow. It was suggested we try and use the Boy Scouts for the clean up also. We want to invite Nick Debar to our September meeting.



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