

**June Lake Citizens Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes - January 7, 2014**

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm. Committee member attendees included Connie Black, Alan Sagot, Jerrod Lear, Rob Morgan, BZ Miller, Don Morton, Jil Stark, Patti Heinrich and Ann Tozier. Tim Alpers was also present.

Minutes from the November 5th meeting were reviewed. Jil moved to adopt them, the motion was seconded by Connie, and a vote approved the adoption.

Public Comment:

There were no public comments.

Agenda Items:

Supervisor Alpers Update:

The new BOS management team is on board and they are updating a lot of items that haven't been touched in a long time. For the first time ever they are putting together a legislative platform to see what we want at the state and federal level (Jim Leddy put this together). Short, intermediate and long term goals. Documentation is posted online and in the library.

The BOS approved board rules of procedure to help deal with crazy motions, power grabs, etc. For the sake of transparency and order they have put together some rules, and will finalize them next week. One plan is to appoint a pro tempore BOS leader for emergencies when others are gone. This overhaul is long overdue. The last update was in 1978. Larry Johnston is the new chairman and Tim Fesko the new vice chairman.

It is time to take on a long term plan to tie Down Canyon June Lake, the Rodeo Grounds and the June Lake Village together. Tim met with Ed Roski (purchaser of the Rodeo Ground). Ed reaffirmed his intentions to build a year round resort, not just for June Mountain. He wants year round occupancy. Ed likes June Lake and has been coming here since he was a child. He doesn't want to lose money on the Rodeo Grounds, but he doesn't need to make a killing.

Street improvements are coming to June Lake, and the Rodeo Grounds development. Larry Johnston has been talking to Rusty Gregory about possible development at the base of June Mountain. The downtown needs dressing up, possibly with the help of a sustainable community grant. The BOS are behind this and want to develop June Mountain, summer activities, trout suppliers, etc. Tim said he wants to clean the slate and move on; it is time to move on. It won't be easy, but it will be fun. What should be the forum for this? That is a topic for discussion. It should be on the agenda each week. We should hold round tables in town. The timing is here for a General Plan update for transportation, pedestrians and bicycles. Scott Burns commented that this should be part of the JL Area Plan. Connie Black commented that time is of the essence for this. Scott was asked to help us approach this.

Trails Committee Report (Jil Stark):

Bicycling. "Multi use lanes" may be the best way to approach this. Reversed Peak area may be appropriate for mountain biking. The committee is seeking to get a crosswalk across Highway 158 to connect the Gull Lake and Reversed Creek campgrounds. They would like to see June Mountain activities expanded in Summer and Fall.

Saturday, June 21 will be this year's Trails Day.

Fundraising has raised \$5,775 between June and December. \$1,000 was used to print brochures. The new goal is to raise \$7,000. The BOS committed \$8,840 to the June Lake trails. This represents only about a week of paid trail work.

Down Canyon trail development is dependent upon the pending timber thinning.

The next Trails Committee meeting is May 6th at the Double Eagle Resort.

June Lake Gateway Sign/Entrance (Ralph Lockhart):

The signage for June Lake on Highway 395 needs to tell folks that June Lake is here. The existing sign does not indicate it is a town. The sign is too far away from the junction. He wondered if we could modify the existing sign (since Highway 395 is a scenic highway and difficult to work with). Scott Burns was to follow up.

Review of Transportation Policies (Gerry Le Francois):

The Regional Transportation Plan should be updated every 5 years. The June Lake Area Plan should be updated (last time was 2005-2006) as it relates to the transportation plan and he wants to broach this topic. Gerry would like to have meetings to go over the policies. If you get items into a plan there is a better chance of getting them funding. There are funding programs available at the federal and state levels for non-motorized transportation.

June Lake Revitalization Committee Report (Ralph Lockhart):

He would like this committee renamed, as it is really a subcommittee of the Chamber of Commerce.

Winterfest has been postponed due to lack of snow. It is proposed that it be moved to February 28-March 1.

He wants to thank Carl Williams for the donation of approximately \$3,800 from the locals June Mountain pass sale, as well as for the \$10 opening day funds.

There has been no snow for the Nordic cross country skiing.

They have been working on within and without County advertising plans; Facebook, radio, Twitter, newspapers, etc.

Report of Development Activities (Courtney Weiche):

The cell phone tower construction has started.

The BOS reviewed and accepted the communications chapter.

The Mammoth geothermal project is having opening arguments tomorrow.

The BOS approved the 3rd Transient Overlay project.

The County will be submitting comments regarding the endangered Sage Grouse.

There is a meeting regarding the endangered frog in Bridgeport tomorrow from 1-3 pm. The BOS, USFS, US Fish and Wildlife, Cal Fish and Wildlife will be there. The County's position is that they should not blanket the entire area with the restrictions.

Miscellaneous Comments:

Al Heinrich had a comment regarding the area plan. He wants to be sure that water and ground water issues are properly addressed by PUD and June Mountain.

Tim Alpers said he would be at Trout Town Joes in JL at 10 am this Friday to have open discussion about the future of June Lake.

Carl Williams said there are no plans at this point to shut down June Mountain due to lack of snow. Also, regarding summer activities, this requires capital and thus need to make a profit.

The next meeting will be held at 7 pm on February 4th.

The meeting was adjourned by BZ Miller at 8:47 pm.

Minutes taken by Ann Tozier