

Board Meeting Minutes
Boulder Creek Business Association

Boulder Creek Pizza & Pub

Friday, August 17, 2012

12:00pm

Board Members:

Officers: President – Vice President - Chris Currier, Secretary - Tonya Silvestri

Directors: Hallie Green, Ann Marie Conrad, Tamara O'Kelly

Quorum Present: yes

Others Present: Nancy Currier, Jack from Public Work

Absent: Karen Mayer, Carolyn Sanborn

Proceedings:

1. *Meeting called to order at 12:04 pm. by Chris, welcomed all*
2. *Meeting Minutes: Minutes of Board Meeting May 18, 2012, submitted by Karen Mayer; quorum for those in attendance at meeting not present, vote postponed.*
3. *President's Report: Welcome to all. Community forum regarding lighting, Poles are 50 years old, PGE & Caltrans & Public Works need to replace. Wood replacement is not an option, street lights only, County has 2 payment tiers. County would like to convert to LED as soon and if possible, currently only steel supports LED. If we want LED now only option is 32 ft. pole, but other could be converted. Factors wattage & location. About a dozen will be replaced in Boulder Creek on Highway 9 and 236. At intersection the large lights with maximum wattage could be used. Eric asked the cost difference between what PGE is funding, what the decorative lights. Jack said the cost difference would be in switching to LED. Rates must be approved by the PUC. Manufacturers do make conversion kits. Jack also noted that the lights in the Boulder Creek town plan, calls for decorative lights 100 ft on center, the current ones are not spaced according to the town plan. Safety requirements need to be met in replacement. Eric asked if the County would help Boulder Creek to place historic lighting. Skip Mathes asked what the current "highway safety & lighting tax" goes to, Jack reports that this pays for clean up and electricity. Karen clarified that the existing lights would be replaced under the currently & asked about the fill in lights to meet the town plan, Caltrans & the Dept of Public Works would help seek grant funding for additional lights. Eric noted that replacing the current light at first, but the additional lighting would need to be added to get the full brightness. Tamara clarified that the decorative light are not available that meet the standards for the intersection. A decision need to be given to PGE by the middle of September so that PGE does not lose funding for the replacements. Kevin noted that safety for pedestrians & vehicles is important. Eric noted that while we are wanting to improve the ambiance that safety should not be sacrificed. Linda asked about the funding for the Felton Covered Bridge, and who would secure the additional funding needed. Jack said that by 2014 PGE will have a new rate for LED lights, this is just replacing the LED lights not the pole itself. In terms of getting money to fill decorative lights & the County Public Works will seek funds for the CSA to get grant funds as a local match. It depends on how Caltrans is funding at the time it is pursued. Eric asked what an increase in lighting would affect the electricity need and how the funds for electricity would needed to be funded. Jack also noted that there will be sidewalk disruption during construction. The County Department of Public Works will outreach to the community once a scope of work is established. Jack asked us to consider banners, shields and that the drop deco lights have an arm which will go into the roadway. A thank you to Jack for attendance; Eric noted that we have already halted PGE date. Nancy asked Skip what his concern was for community awareness. Eric put out a summary email to the community and membership to gather input.*

4. *Treasurer's report.*

Checking \$10,562.53

Savings \$4,110.33

Motion by Chris, Karen second. All accepted.

5. July 4th Parade: Ann Marie broke even, final reports even. Ann Marie noted that next year we need to address candy and daredevils safety.

6. Golf Tournament – Estimated approximate \$5K for each organization. Final report to follow.

7. Halloween – Karen & Hillary are organizing safety.

8. Black Friday – Needs lights for the tree, Eric suggested rope lights. Ann Marie will look into light options. Eric asked

7. Rescheduled meetings -

Next general meeting is July 11th 6-7pm at The Rec Center Annex room.

Next board meeting (NOT third Friday in July because of Golf Tournament, but not a good date for Ann Marie/Tamara) next is July 9th.

Meeting adjourned at 1:32 pm, Motion by Tamara, Second by Haille, all accepted.
Minutes submitted by Tonya Silvestri, Secretary.