# SVPORC ANNUAL MEETING Minutes August 10, 2019

**Call Meeting to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Zug Standing Bear at the pavilion at 9:00 a.m. on August 10, 2019. The members present at this meeting did not fulfill the quorum requirements. The meeting proceeded with sharing of information.

**Zug Standing Bear announced the election results**. Incumbents Zug Standing Bear and Shaun Gordon were reelected to the board. He bid Becky Chaney a reluctant farewell and thanked her for her service. He introduced the SV Board members Shaun Gordon, Deb Schnieder, John Chaney and Jeff Perry. Dick cope was absent. He welcomed Jan Richardson as the newest member to the Board as a result of the writein on the ballot. The 2020 budget passed. The board will decide on officers following this meeting.

#### President's Message: Zug Standing Bear

Zug reported that there was a larger than usual winter kill of fish due to the long and cold winter. He thanked Shan and Roni Gordon and the group of volunteers that helped to clean up the fish.

#### **Vice President: Shaun Gordon**

Shaun had nothing to report.

#### **Treasurer: Becky Chaney**

Becky reported that the 2020 Budget was approved by the members. The Board does a good job staying within the budget.

Community Question: What is the payroll for on the budget? The payroll is for the Office Coordinator only who handles all mailings, banking, phone contacts, data entry, financial documents, minutes, pays the bills, files, etc.

#### **Activities Committee Report: Roni Gordon**

Roni reported that they could not do the activities without the volunteers. She thanked the volunteers for all they do!

The first activity was the Clean Up Day in the spring. It was a wonderful success. The volunteers showed up prepared to work hard. The dam for potty pond and the big dam were gopher treated and reseeded. All the picnic tables and benches at the Pavilion were repainted (between rain and grapple). The shed and port o let shelter look brand new thanks to the fresh coat of paint. Thanks to our donut runner and lunch cooks and servers, the volunteers were well fed and taken care of. Leaps and bounds were made in boat registration too. It was fun to work together. Again she emphasized that Spring Valley depends on its wonderful volunteers for such events!

The Smoke off was held June 15<sup>th</sup>. \$1,400 was raised from the silent auction and donations to be used for the Fishing Derby for fish, lunch, raffle prizes etc. The silent auction items are all donated. \$320 was raised from entry to vote which helped pay for the meat that was smoked and that money went back into the activities budget. Approximately 75 people were served.

The Kid's Fishing Derby on July 13<sup>th</sup> was also a success with 86 children registered.

The next event will be the End of the Summer Bash on September 14<sup>th</sup>. Information will be available on the SV website: myspringvalley.org. Trunk or Treat will be in October 19<sup>th</sup>, where car trunks are decorated, adults and children come in costume. The children trick or treat from car to car.

Again, thank you to all the volunteers.

The community members thanked Roni for all she does.

# Welcome Committee Report: Roni Gordon

Roni thanked Jill (SVPORC) and Vanesa (Valley Maintenance) for working with her to update new owner's information. She reported that she received notice of 12 new property owners this year. New owners receive a welcome letter, directions to the website, information on helpful phone numbers and fishing/boating regulations. The website gets a lot of questions that opens the communication with the new owners even before they close on the property. If you would like to be on her email list, please let her know.

## Improvements to SV Committee Report: Shaun Gordon

Shaun reported that we are conducting a boundary survey to find the property lines that abut up to private property at both end of the lake for liability issues. Pins will be set up to make the boundary lines visible. A split rail fence may also be considered.

The algae and weed treatment in the lake is with chemicals not dangerous to fish, animals or people. More treatment will be applied when the weather allows. The thistle treatment on SV property was extremely successful. Milestone is used mixed with water as directed. It is the chemical recommended by the Coalition for the Upper South Plate. They are the organization that since 1998 has worked to protect the 1.6 million acre watershed that reaches from the Continental Divide to Strontia Springs Reservoir, southwest of Denver. Let Shaun know if you would like to volunteer to carry a sprayer for use on Corporation properties. Sorry, we do not have it in our budget to treat private property. If you purchase the chemical that has been approved, the Board would entertain loaning you a sprayer to apply the product to your private property.

## **Architectural Committee Report: Shaun Gordon**

Shaun reported most residents have been very good about following the regulations and asking questions about architectural needs even before purchasing a property. The website has been a great tool to realtors and residents.

#### **Covenants Committee Report: Shaun Gordon**

Shaun reported that although we are still addressing some issues, most residents have been very good about following the regulations. While storage of RV's and Camp Trailers have been conditionally approved, they must meet the County setbacks for a structure (25' from the front, 15' from the sides and 35' from the back property line.). In addition, they cannot be lived in or otherwise occupied. The storage must not block views or be an eyesore or nuisance per the Policies.

## Lakes and Fishing Committee Report: Dick Cope was absent.

Shaun reported that we did two fish stockings this year. The first was \$4,500 and the second was \$4,000. We budget \$3,500 per stocking but were able to do a larger stocking due to the special access fishing fees paid by 3 rental property owners. He also shared that the fish that died this year were mostly carp, expected to die and that the problem was that they all died at once due to the winter conditions we had. About 100 trout also died as they likely were in a localized bad spot, but rest assured, there are plenty of fish in the big lake. He thanked the volunteers that helped to clean up the dead fish.

#### Legal Affairs Committee Report: Zug Standing Bear

Zug shared information about the web site "Next Door Spring Valley" which was started by a resident. It is in 7 subdivisions and has about 100 members. It has no connection with the Spring Valley Property Owners and Recreational Corporation (SVPORC). Our website is myspringvalley.org. While there is good information, animal sightings or questions posted on that site, Board Members monitor the site to make sure the information posted is as accurate as possible. If misinformation is posted, we do our best to address any concerns.

#### **General issues/Community Comments:**

Shooting in SV? We have a policy about nuisances. Fire arms are prohibited. If you have any concerns or complaints it must be submitted in writing before the SV Board can act on it.

Noise problems such as motorcycles are considered and covered by the nuisance policy. Concerns or complaints should be submitted in writing to the SV Board. It should be noted, State registered vehicles are not "licensed" vehicles. These are County roads in the neighborhood and the laws do not allow un-licensed vehicles on the

roads. This would include ATV's, UTV's, Snowmobiles or anything that is not a State licensed vehicle.

Are air guns allowed? If they are being used unsafely it was suggested that if you are comfortable with talking with your neighbor that would be the best first step. Otherwise, contact the Board.

What can be done about the firewood rolling down the hill and the steel building. Shaun responded that not much can be done about the firewood by SVPORC. He has talked with the owner of the steel building. They are under construction and have two years to complete the build per the County and HOA regulations.

What is going on with the trailer on SV Drive. Shaun has talked with the owner and they are storing their parents' things in the trailer. No one is living in the trailer. They will be moving it down their property and farther from the road.

The Community Members thanked Shaun for contacting the county for signs of no national forest access. It has helped to reduce the number of people turning around on the road.

What is being done about Remwood Circle being lower than the dam. Shaun responded that the state inspection of the dam went very well except for that road (Remwood Circle). The dam inspector said he would contact the County to take care of the height of the road.

What can be done about a culvert in the wrong place. Shaun responded that they should contact the Teller County Department of Transportation Road and Bridge Division.

Is open burning is allowed? Shaun responded that open burning on private property is not allowed. Contained fire pits are allowed, but not for burning trash.

Could the pavilion cover be closed in? Several issues including property taxes would prohibit permanent enclosure. Temporary screens are being considered.

The car counters are to document road usage for road maintenance.

Roni emphasized that the boats at the lake are private property. SVPORC Policy states that all boats need to be registered, locked and secured. Contact Dick Cope to register your boat. Boats that are not registered will be removed from the bank, stored and locked up near the Pavilion. If you find that your boat is locked up, it was not able to be identified as registered. Please contact <a href="mailto:info@myspringvalley.org">info@myspringvalley.org</a> or call Dick Cope whose number is listed on the Corporation Property Policy for fishing and boat registration.

There is a slash pile in Divide for a fee.

The Board was thanked for all they do.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:50 a.m.