

Minutes
SVPORC BOARD MEETING
April 1,2025
Virtual Meeting at 6:00p.m.

Attending: Mike Johnson (President, Activities, Dam and Legal Affairs), Meghan Engdahl (Treasurer and Dam), Caroline Trani (Secretary and Welcome), Ken Richardson (Lakes/Fishing), Jerry Doby (Covenants. Architectural Control and Insurance), Shaun Gordon and Jill Cochran (non-voting Office Coordinator and Welcome). Absent: Jeff Perry (Vice President, Lakes/Fishing and Legal Affairs).

Community Members Attending: John Blankenship, Jen McNerney (Activities), Peter Byrom, Bill Burton, Kenny Case, and Travis Trani.

Call to order: Mike Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:03p.m.

Community Comments:

No Community Comments.

Valley Maintenance Corporation – Water Augmentation for Burges Reservoir:

Travis Trani explained the past inspections, maintenance and work that has been done on the dam and asked that the letter sent to VMC members be posted on the SVPORC website also. The letter details the following: “Per the VMC water augmentation decree that was issued by Water Division 1, District Court, on January 29, 1993 VMC is required to release water from Burgess Reservoir based on a percentage of water used from our wells, and to release water based on calls from senior water right owners downstream. These releases occur monthly from May 1st to October 31st each year. You may notice significant fluctuations in the water level of Burgess Reservoir during this time frame.” The fluctuations could be up to 2 feet. VMC has contracted with a water engineer to help ensure that they are following the court issued water augmentation decree and to track and report the water releases to the Colorado Division of Water Resources. As required, there have been bulk releases of water taken out once per month during the summer months. Kenny Case added that the water engineer hired approved the plan to catch up on water released and to fix the spread sheet documenting the releases. Contact VMC at vmcdivide@gmail.com with any questions.

Shaun Gordon expressed concerns over the amount of water required to be released. He will check with the Water Commissioner to get clarification. He had concerns about the 2-foot drop and also what it might do downstream.

The Board approved posting the letter on the website. VMC contact information will be included for any questions.

Board Meeting Minutes: March 4, 2025 SV Board Meeting minutes were approved via email and posted on the website.

Board Reports

President's Report

Mike Johnson reported that the Board approved filling the vacant SV Board position with Shaun Gordon. Shaun Gordon accepted the position. He brings a wealth of knowledge, experience and expertise as a past board president. Welcome back Shaun!

Mike Johnson reported:

- That he encountered a teenager riding a white ATV. His father gave his first name and street only and refused to give his address. His name could not be found in our records. He asked the Board to keep an eye out for this individual.
- He will arrange for a meet and greet of the dam committee in the spring.
- He talked with the owner in response to a complaint that the renters were feeding the wildlife and leaving trash cans at the road. The owner has updated their renter information to stress that wildlife must not be fed. He is also considering a trash structure. He will submit a plan for the structure to the ACC. The owner shared that he does not permit fires of any kind on his property.
- Per the email from Lisa Williams about fire mitigation, Mike Johnson attended the Trout West Fuels Reduction meeting. There will be a prescribed broadcast burn of 3100 acres in the fall in the Trout West Fuels Reduction area. More information and education will be coming. He is also arranging to have Fire Chief McLeod come to a community meeting to talk about the need for fire mitigation either at a SV Board Meeting, Clean Up Day on June 7th or the Annual Meeting in the fall.

Vice President's Report

Jeff Perry was absent.

Treasurer's Report

Meghan Engdahl reported that we are below budget on what we should be collecting in dues but overall, we are above budget. We are in the black by \$2,300. Next month the billing will begin from Solitude Lake Management for maintenance on the lake. The portable restroom service will begin this month as well.

Secretary's Report

Caroline Trani reported that she will begin working on the ballot for Board Members in May and June.

Committee Reports

Activities Committee Report

Jen McNerney reported that the next activity will be the Clean Up Day on June 7th and the Kid's Fishing Derby on July 12th. She will be preparing a letter to distribute for donations for the Derby. Game Nights will be changed to Community Hangouts/Get Togethers and possibly be moved to Saturday. Community members will be encouraged to participate/coordinate a night. If you have ideas, suggestions or questions email info@myspringvalley.org.

Welcome Committee Report

Jill Cochran reported that there was one new owners since the last board meeting.

Lakes and Fishing Committee Report

Ken Richardson reported that:

- He is was successful in negotiating with Solitude Lake Management to finalize the new contract reducing costs, There will be 4 weed control applications instead of 5 (a reduction from \$2,545 to \$2,000 per application) and reducing the aeration maintenance from monthly to every 3 months (a reduction from \$206.50 x 12 to \$250 x4).
- The aerators are not working properly. There are some broken compressors. He has an appointment on April 15th with Solitude to see what needs to be done.
- The fish patrol is in desperate need of volunteers to protect the lakes and ponds from trespassers and to collect fishing fees. Please consider volunteering. Those that make a regular commitment will be rewarded with an annual fishing pass for themselves and their spouse for the year.

Covenants Committee

Jerry Doby reported there are some specific complaints that need to be discussed in an executive session at the end of this meeting.

Architectural Committee

Jerry Doby had nothing to report.

Legal Affairs Committee

Mike Johnson had nothing to report.

Other Business

Open Board Position: As stated above, Shaun Gordon will be filling the open SV Board Position. Thanks to Shaun for being willing to fill the position.

Executive Session:

The Board went into an executive session at 7:02pm to discuss complaints, trash and lighting. The Board came out of executive session at 7:13 p.m.

The next SV Board Meeting is May 6th at 6:00p.m. at the Pavilion.

The Meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.