

**ARROWHEAD LAKE ASSOCIATION  
FOREST AND PROPERTY PLANNING COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

**Meeting:** January 4, 2008  
9:30 A.M.  
ALA Conference Room

**Members Present:** Jack Cooperman—Chair, John, Henderson, Greg Naylor, Tom Olhasso, Lori Pearson, Fred Read, Harry Sherman, Ken Stowe, Stan Tomlinson

**Resource Persons:** John Rutledge, Laura Dyberg, Jim Grant, Pamela deForest

Chair Jack Cooperman called the meeting to order at 9:29 A.M.

**1. Approval of December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2007 Minutes.**

**Corrections:**

Page 2, under section 3, second paragraph, third line, change, "received that," to, "received and."

Page 3, under section 4, second paragraph, change, "County forest fire," to, "Forest Service Wild Fire."

**Motion** made by Harry Sherman (2<sup>nd</sup>) to accept as corrected. Vote. All Ayes. Motion passed.

**2. Managers' Report.**

**John Rutledge:** John Rutledge stated that Ralph Wagner submitted a letter suggesting that we subdivide a parcel that we own next to Grass Valley Lake and look into the value of the lots. Chair Cooperman asked about the state of vegetation on the property and asked if there are any grants for fuel reduction in that area. Laura Dyberg stated that there isn't any right now. Chair Cooperman asked if Forest Care funding might be used for fuel reduction on this property as a separate five acre or less parcel. Mr. Rutledge noted that some of this area burned in the Grass Valley fire. There was discussion regarding clearing up the burned area and fuel reduction on the rest of property as soon as possible.

Harry Sherman stated that due to the poor state of the real estate market right now, it would not make sense to put the property up for sale. John Henderson and Lori Pearson agreed that there should be open land in the mountains. Stan Tomlinson stated that a trade would be the most appropriate use of this land—if we wanted to exchange for property that adjoins other ALA property. Ken Stowe stated that it would be a good idea to keep the parcel in case there is ever a time where we would need the money. Fred Read stated that regardless of what we do with it, that it would be a good idea to clean it up. There was also a discussion regarding the dam and if it is sound and would not flood that area if there was a seismic event and any possible liability.

Mr. Rutledge stated the dam has been inspected by the state of California and is safe at this time.

**Motion:** made by Harry Sherman (seconded) that at this time we do not proceed with the idea of subdividing the parcel, but leave it open for future use if any situation warrants it. Vote. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Chair Cooperman asked that staff provide the committee with a map of all of the property that the ALA owns so that the committee can see it. Mr. Rutledge stated that there are maps available for view in Laura Dyberg's office. Mr. Rutledge brought in a map with what types of property we own around the lake. Chair Cooperman stated that anyone can look at the ring binders of maps with property information in them; he advised everyone to call the office in advance.

Mr. Rutledge stated that there is a request from the Dam Commission to be able to lower Lake Arrowhead by fifty percent (50%) within a 7 day period in case of an emergency. He is currently in discussion with the Commission regarding the fact that the requested draining capacity does not exist and what we could do in case of an emergency.

**Laura Dyberg:** Ms. Dyberg stated that the location for the poles for Access #7 has been staked. The apple orchard has been pruned. We have also begun working with Forest Care and the County. The County has assigned a person to work directly with us and he is in the office once or twice a week. Forest Care is working on their reimbursement program for parcels over five (5) acres—for which they reimburse fifty percent (50%). There was a discussion of what types of trees are being removed. She thanked the committee for all of their help.

Ken Stowe stated that there is a dead tree near Hwy 173 and Beaver Lane that has fallen. John Rutledge stated that he will look into it. Chair Cooperman asked if there will be clearing along the banks of Willow Creek by Forest Care or the County. Mr. Rutledge stated that both organizations do not do much, if any, work in creek beds. Mr. Rutledge will address any areas that the volunteers cannot do.

**Jim Grant:** Jim Grant stated that he had nothing to add.

### **3. Status of Demonstration Garden.**

Lori Pearson showed the article that will be in the Alpine Living magazine. There isn't any work going on in the garden right now. She spoke to the issue of the Forestscape Fair and the budget money needed to do the tree giveaway totaling about \$300. John Rutledge stated that those funds will come out of the Member Relations line item.

Fred Read stated that the garden will be done in spring, and he hopes to shut down the sprinklers after next year.

Chair Cooperman stated that there are three (3) new benches that need to be installed. He stated that he spoke to Dan at UCLA who is going to let us use their heated shop to finish the varnishing on them so they can be installed. Chair Cooperman also spoke about the drinking fountain that will be completed by spring.

#### **4. Trails and Access Report.**

Tom Olhasso stated that the trail west of the Connors house in North Bay is still taped off. Mr. Rutledge stated that he has been in communication with the homeowner to fill in the area where he removed the Trex decking. Chair Cooperman asked that it be resolved as soon as possible so that the trail can go through.

Access 41 – Tom Olhasso stated that it has not been done. John Rutledge stated that Bossio will go forward with that in January.

John Rutledge stated that Ralph Wagner is still working on the plans for Accesses 60 and 22.

Access 50 & 51 – John Rutledge stated that the bids are due this afternoon.

Access 12 – John Rutledge stated that this is still under legal review.

Tom Olhasso stated that he numbered the new access number on the lake. John Rutledge stated that the current question is what accesses are going to be numbered. He stated that Access 61 (and others like it) is questionable due to the fact that it has never been developed and probably never will be. Tom Olhasso distributed a map that was reviewed by the committee; a discussion followed. There was a discussion regarding not marking undeveloped accesses but assigning an access number where these accesses may be developed and placing that number on the back side of the map as undeveloped.

Chair Cooperman asked for a poll of what the committee thinks:

Ken Stowe – unmarked and numbers noted on the back as undeveloped

Greg Naylor – to not place numbers, put letters

Tom Olhasso – unmarked and numbers noted on the back as undeveloped

Fred Read – unmarked and numbers noted on the back as undeveloped

John Henderson – unmarked and numbers noted on the back as undeveloped

Harry Sherman – unmarked and numbers noted on the back as undeveloped

Stan Tomlinson – unmarked and numbers noted on the back as undeveloped

Lori Pearson – unmarked and numbers noted on the back as undeveloped

John Rutledge stated that he has received samples of steel plates for the new access markers. He stated that due to setup costs, etched plates for access numbers, and mileage info that it would be very expensive. He suggested placing three separate plates on the posts the logo etched, the number and the mileage to be screen printed instead to cut back on cost. This has been given to staff to handle.

Chair Cooperman asked about the homeowners that were placing a patio near Access 52. Laura Dyberg stated that a stop work order was given and we are waiting for plans from their contractor.

Chair Cooperman also asked about the trench for a sewer drain line that had been dug by a member's contractor next to a 100 ft. pine tree on ALA property that they had been told not to cut down or damage in any way. There are also several new yard drainage lines from this home and neighbor's home that empty on to our property above the ALA trail. John Rutledge stated that there was no update on that item at this time.

**5. Status of any Non-permitted Electrical in Trees, Irrigation and Landscaping on ALA Properties.**

John Rutledge stated that there has been progress on Mr. Fields electric attached to our trees. Trenching has been corrected and Mr. Rutledge will be in contact with him.

**6. Status of any Illegal Tree Removal and Trimming on ALA Properties.**

Chair Cooperman stated that there is still an open landscaping issue with Mr. VanDale. A property line survey was again requested.

Tom Olhasso asked about the Tashner's non-permitted improvements on our property. Mr. Rutledge said that there is a new owner of the property who has hired a contractor to correct the problems. Mr. Rutledge has requested to meet with the new owner when he is in town.

There was a discussion regarding the stairs by the Ginger patio area. Chair Cooperman asked about opening the wall impeding the ALA trail near the Ginger dock house. Mr. Rutledge stated that this has not been done yet.

**7. Correspondence.**

Chair Cooperman stated that he received a letter from Jaime Wellner who was offering to do photography around the lake at a cost. He will bring in the letter next week.

**8. Old Business.**

Chair Cooperman stated that there is still an open item with trying to determine if we are going to get a 501 C3 status. Laura Dyberg and John Rutledge are in communication with the member who is working on this.

Fred Read asked about the landscaping/irrigation plan at the Simms property. John Rutledge stated that he met with Cumorah to determine a minimal plan for the establishment of some ground cover. Chair Cooperman stated that whatever is placed

there should reflect a forest setting. He stated that it is important that our property in the area does not appear to become an extension of a members' property.

Chair Cooperman asked about the property markers that we were looking into. Laura Dyberg has been in the process of looking into pricing and information.

Chair Cooperman asked if the swale in the Demonstration Garden had been completed at Tavern Bay. John Rutledge is under the impression that it has been done. Chair Cooperman asked about the unleveled DG path at Tavern Bay that still needs to be corrected. John Rutledge noted the job is not completed and final payment has not been made.

## **9. New Business.**

John Rutledge stated that due to the low lake level and erosion we are starting to see old black drainage pipe. The ones that have been removed are full of silt and he feels that they are not helping erosion control. He stated that he wants to start looking into other options to help prevent erosion.

Greg Naylor asked if there will be a shade structure in Tavern Bay. John Rutledge informed the committee that Rotary stated that they are interested in placing a structure in the park—we are currently waiting for a plan from them.

There was a discussion regarding placing the property line makers.

The next meeting will be on February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008 at 9:30 A.M.

Meeting adjourned at 11:49 A.M.

Minutes prepared by Pamela deForest.  
Reviewed by Jack Cooperman.