

**Berry Creek Community Association
Volunteer Fire Station 61
May 15, 2010
Minutes**

9am: Call to order

Treasurer's Report: Savings: \$265.50, Checking: \$90.12

Minutes of April 10, 2010 approved

Committee Reports:

Parks and Recreation:

Maidu Nature Center

*Mary: Mary has prioritized items for funding strategies for Maidu Meadows for ongoing expenses and utilities. We will meet in committee. First thing is to get use permit and signage that show this is funded by Prop 84.

*FRRP has received letter from State that our application is complete! Great news! It states that we will hear in August or September.

*FRRP would like us to be non profit 501c3, so we need to work on that in the coming future. Roger Cutler has experience with forming a 501c3 non profit.

*We will be working on a contract with FRRP for what they will cover besides insurance and docent.

*Security system for Maidu Nature Center: Robert Daniels will be installing.

*We still need letters of support for Maidu Meadows from people who did not support it originally.

*Committee to work on prioritizing next steps: Mary, Cathy, Bonnie

Old Harts Mill:

***The FRRP meeting on May 12th was extremely well attended by the Berry Creek community. FRRP also received a large volume of support emails from the community. The result:**

*General Manager at FRRP is talking with California Department of General Services about purchasing Old Harts Mill property. Benefit assessment district fund to buy Old Harts Mill. Steady money source. Money is there for purchase.

* There is discussion from FRRP regarding them applying for a grant beyond purchase to improve property.

*Building Needs: clean up property and paint exterior to encapsulate the asbestos siding.

*Areas of development for museum: elect officers, newsletter, 501c3

Items that have already been donated for museum: signage, windmill and tower, old tractors, photos, personal donations and artifacts, substation, complete office, 2 computers, conference table with glass top and office chairs, file cabinets

*Old flour mill in original mill at Berry Creek Road: can we talk to Kennedy family about fencing it in to preserve it?

*We also have “Welcome to Berry Creek” signage. It was originally created and bought for us to install high up on the mountain when you drive into Berry Creek at the Bidwell Bar Bridge. Caltrans is the entity we need permission from to install the letters. Action: Talk to Bill Connelly.

Public Health:

*Vet clinic May 22 at Grange

*Dental Clinic free at school for young children and pregnant women. Permission slips have gone home to kids.

Roads and Trails:

*Andy: met with Joel Ostrofsky about trash in area of Zinc road loop to Bald Rock Trailhead. Dirt road has a lot of appliances and trash. We would like to close that road to vehicle traffic. County is meeting in the future about roads designation. The CCC has demolished the rock house. Why was that done without discussion? Perhaps because it was not stable and a danger to visitors. Rocks have been vandalized by overnight campers. Took fire rings out in the parking area to discourage overnight camping. Signage is needed for day use only.

*Concrete picnic tables will hopefully be provided. Cleanup day in mid June to be announced.

*Solstice Ride: coming up: Andy, can we contact them to coordinate with Sugar Pine to promote it?

Planning and Zoning:

*General Plan 2030, June 7th comments: go to Butte County website for more info

*Pat Keuhner’s café: mobile kitchen? When it is up and running, discuss possibilities with Pat for periodic mobile kitchen at Old Harts Mill to help with revenue for museum. Great way to promote local businesses and help our parks budget.

*Pat Moore discussed that FRRP also has a mobile café that we may be able to use periodically to make money for museum and Maidu Nature Center.

*Air Quality: meeting at the Grange went well. Small parcels (in town) are affected with burning restrictions. We are waiting to hear the outcome but Berry Creek residents made their voices heard.

*Noise Ordinance regarding off road vehicles is coming up.

*Feather River Rec and Parks is accepting applications for the oversight committee. Meets quarterly to oversee money that we pay. For application, email Sheryl@FRRPD.com

******On behalf of the BCCA council and community of Berry Creek:
Thank you Loren Gill for all of the hard work you have put in on behalf of Berry Creek over these many years. We very much appreciate it.***

***Our condolences go out to the Starick family on the tragic loss of their parents. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.**

Meeting Adjourned