



Lake Don Pedro Trailblazers

August 19, 2010
Meeting Minutes

Meeting opened at 7:05pm.

Attendees:

Terrie Booten	Vickie Eiland	Monica Fay
Diane Chalklin	Jeanne Jenkins	
Jane Cloud	Steve Alexander	
Brenda Nathaniel	Christine Hansen	

Agenda:

The agenda for the evening covered the items listed below:

Update with LDPOA: Terrie reported that the Board did meet in July, and she was able to get a line item of \$5,000 approved for Parks and Trails for the upcoming budget year.

It was also reported that LDPOA Board member Ron Hunt was able to get new playground set donated by the City of Merced for El Prado Park.

Update with LDPOA – Terrie

- Ron Hunt and Terrie met with Public Works Director Peter Rei regarding future signage in T-2. Duke & Terrie will work on where signage is needed soon.

2. Treasurer's report – Monica Fay

Monica Fay reported that the LDPTB had received \$99.00 in donations. To date, \$1,028 has been received. Terrie mentioned that the Trailblazer signs made and donated by Marie Hallieb really helped with the donation account.

Terrie asked for fundraiser ideas. Some suggestions were: trail trials hosted by LDPTB. Comments: trials would have to be sanctioned by CSHA or Corral 49. Could be set up as a schooling event.

The group discussed the possibility of LDPTB operating under the 501.c3 certificate/status of the Foothill Saddle Club. It was agreed that it would be beneficial for LDPTB to do so. Jane Cloud suggested that LDPTB take steps to achieve non-profit status, insurance and affiliation with CSHA.

3. Grant Update – Vickie Eiland

- a. AQHA/STEP grant – Vicki Eiland reported that the AQHA/STEP grant was submitted and received by the July 15th deadline. The LDPTB application is requesting \$17,000.

4. Update on easements: Diane Chalklin and Terrie Booten reported that the owner of lot #940 M2 off of Laredo has infringed on water district easement. Action: letter to owner regarding our concerns or possibly a phone call.
Lot 596, M2/21 on Banderilla, no obstructions, but the trail goes nowhere. Question: Will they dedicate an easement? Terrie has spoken to owner and they are willing to dedicate one.

Terrie reported that a trail can be dedicated with written agreement from the owner and the Owners Association. The agreement does not have to be recorded with the County.

Lot #519, Zelma Way: Brenda agreed to talk with Chuck Telford regarding allowing trail users to infringe on his property line by the trail.

Lot#261, Blanchard Rd.: real rocky area. Cannot cross on easement.

Lot #507, M2: access road off of Torre to trails on Lazo; 21 acres bought at auction; Action: Ask owner if he would dedicate an easement. Could call realtor or Assessor's office for contact info. Diane will follow up with Coldwell Banker.

Tank access road, T2: County line access; Not a dedicated easement. Action: Letter to the CSD to request access to road. Then send info to Tuolumne County/Public Works.

Jane Cloud suggested that LDPTB request a briefing on how to request access to an easement. Mariposa County will do paperwork and run through the system if we bring a written agreement between an owner and LDPTB.

Diane mentioned that the Public Works Department could advise LDPTB on the easement request process. She will look into it.

The group agreed that eventually we should develop a protocol for requesting easement changes or access.

Kiosks: Terrie reported that Mariposa County is undecided about funding a kiosk since it would be placed on LDPOA property. However, the Foothill Saddle Club is willing to donate \$ 1800. She suggested that we ask the Foothill Saddle club to purchase the kiosks and we would install at Horse Camp & Gregoris Park. Monica suggested that we decide if we want to take over the Foothill Saddle Club's 50lc3 first. It was suggested that we also consider Lozano and Granite Springs area.

It was suggested that we have work days to clean up other parks such as Lozano and dedicated March and April as clean up months.

5. Website update: Send requests to Eric for website posting of events no matter the discipline.

Mapping: Banderilla and Ranchito need to be marked so County can finish mapping from Dolorosa to Ranchito and then up to Merced Falls Road.

Flyers Update: Need to get flyers to realtors. Need volunteers to distribute flyers. Brenda volunteered to help distribute flyers. Terrie will ask if we can print additional flyers at the LDPOA.

New Business:

Terrie met with Supervisor Gray, Duke York and Peter Rei of Tuolumne County. The County is willing to work with LDPTB but will be very conservative with their assistance on supplying and placing warning signs in T-2. The County suggested that LDPTB submit an improvement plan for the entire T2 open space area. Submit one development plan and pay a \$2500 fee. The filing fee would be a one-time fee.

Duke and Terrie will work together to get a final “crossing list” completed. Where do we need signage? Get info to Terrie.

It was suggested that LDPTB draft and send a project letter from the Association to the County confirming that we have permission to use the open space.

Next ride: The group decided that a ride to the Lumberyard Café will be planned for Saturday, October 16, 2010.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

HAPPY TRAILS!