



Minutes from the October 24, 2018 Friends of Atascadero Lake Board Meeting

Present: Nancy Hair, Michelle Harms, Olan Kaigel, Dena Kaigel, Bob Edmonds, Don Lynge, Cristel Wilson, Mark Hontz. Guests: Paul Murphy, Terrie Banish, Nick DeBar, Kathy Hontz, Dave Highland, Mike Elkins

- Tamale Festival Terrie Banish: The Tamale Festival will be January 19th, rain or shine at the Sunken Gardens. This year the festival will expand to East Mall, West Mall, Entrada with a stage on Entrada and Palma. There will be 40 Tamale vendors instead of the 28 last year. The city has contacted with Matt Dalman to organize the alcohol sales. Friends of Atascadero Lake will be responsible for purchasing the alcohol, wrist bands and tickets. This is a wonderful opportunity to raise much needed funds. We will need to follow up with a meeting with Matt and will have to make sure we have enough pop-up shades.
- Algae Report, Nick DeBar: Nick, Director of Public Works attended out meeting to update us on the permits. The City is working with a consultant for a long-term management plan for the lake that should be finalized with the permit by the end of November. The plan is a preventative plan to address future issues. Right now, the algae is going dormant and sinking to the bottom. In March or April, the city will start a probiotic treatment which will neutralize existing aquatic weeds. Depending on these results it will be decided to use further treatment. The city will also be doing a survey of the lake bottom to get correct depths and temperatures. It was brought up that due to the drought the lake while empty filled with weeds and goat poop. This contributed to the algae growth. When the lake filled with water these added nutrients contributed to this algae growth. In time the lake should stabilize. Dave Highland and Mike Elkins were interested in the fish screen. When a fish screen is built at the outflow of the lake, Fish and Wildlife will stock the lake with Native sterile trout. Dave said he would be happy to work with Nick on the design and estimate costs. Once we have the costs, Friends of Atascadero Lake can raise funds for the screen. We were very pleased that Nick attended our meeting and walked us through this very important information.
- Approval of the Minutes from the September 19, 2018 Minutes
- Treasurer's Report, Olan Kaigel: Beginning balance of: \$18,610.54, debits of \$960.31, deposits of \$120, leaving an ending balance of \$17,770.23
- Lake Perimeter Sign Project, Michelle Harms: Michelle and Jon Harms are now working with a designer from the sign company who is donating their time for the final design.

Their goal is to have the first sign on the History and Preservation ready by December 01, 2018

- LakeFest, Nancy Hair: Time to gear up for LakeFest. LakeFest will be held May 18th. The board was asked to keep their eyes out for a good band as we need live music to help draw in the people. The focus of LakeFest will be at our November and December meetings.
- Lake Perimeter Clean up. We are all ready to go. Olan will bring coffee and Bob donuts. We will have a city worker to help us.
- Cristel moved to adjourn the meeting

Next board meeting will be November 14th 6:15 pm in the Ranger House

Submitted by Nancy Hair, Acting Secretary