



Minutes from Friends of Atascadero Lake board Meeting January 20, 2015

Present: Nancy Hair, Olan Kaigel, Joni Walter, Paul Murphy, Don Lynge, Jon Trumbull, Barbara Combs.
Guests: Devin Best and Dave Highland, Chris Walter. Absent: Bob Edmonds and Pat McQuaid

- Approval by email of the November 18th 2014 Board Meeting
- Treasurer's report by Joni Walter: November 2014 balance was \$3722.36 (credits: \$3263 no debits). Our December 2014 balance is: \$10,970 (credits: \$7300, debits \$51.37).
- It was decided to upgrade our website to a paid site to give us more visibility.
- Moved by Nancy Hair and seconded and approved to rent a P.O. Box in Atascadero and Don Lynge will set it up.
- Devin Best gave a report on the progress of his 319H Grant to the Regional Water Quality Control Board. We were close, but rejected. He is pursuing a new grant with California Department of Fish and Wildlife for planning and engineering the wetlands. He suggested we work on letters of support for the project: City Manager, Resource agencies, Fish and Wildlife, Regional Water Quality Control Board, Audubon Society, ALPS, Native Tree Society etc. We greatly appreciate the hard work Devin is doing on our behalf.
- It was moved by Paul Murphy and seconded and approved renewal of our SPOKES membership for \$250.00.
- Paul Murphy gave a report on our presentation to Quota Club and our upcoming Kiwanis presentation. It was moved by Don Lynge and seconded and approved to focus our fundraising efforts at the Kiwanis meeting specifically for the aeration system for the lake.
- Don Lynge and his grandson are still working through the permits for our informational Kiosk that will be located in the park.
- Jon Trumbull is still working on Friends of Atascadero Lake adopting the lake perimeter (brush clean up to improve viewshed) and installing a sign with this information on it.
- We are waiting to hear from the city about approval for a lake perimeter clean up in spring.
- Construction and building of fish habitat and re-stocking of the lake is a future project. First an engineered "overflow and outlet screening plan" would need to be presented and approved by Fish and Wildlife.
- Sadly the Board of Directors accepted the resignation from Patricia McQuaid. Work schedules are in conflict with Board meetings. She will be missed and we thank her for all her efforts help restore the lake.

- Jon Trumbull has a weather station on his property near the lake. He said that for the last 24 years the average rainfall was between 24-25 inches per year. Records were also kept by Charles Paddock. You can go to Weather Underground, choose the city "Atascadero", then on "choose your station" choose "Atascadero Lake". There is a lot of information and historical information to access.
- We will have our annual board meeting in March where we will elect our officers. We are also actively looking for more board members. If you, or anyone you know, are interested please contact Nancy Hair 674-3050. The restoration of Atascadero Lake is a "legacy" project for future generations to enjoy. It is very exciting and fulfilling to be involved with such an important and lasting project.
- Next board meeting: February 17, 6:00 pm at the Pavilion

Please check out our website: www.friendsofatascaderolake.com