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**Bear Valley Community Council (BVCC)  
Meeting Notes  
BVCC Meeting – October 8, 2008**  
Compiled by Angie Pinsonneault, Secretary

The council meeting was held in the Arts & Crafts Room at the Bear Valley Elementary School, 15001 Mountain Air Drive. The meeting started at 7:00 pm, with approximately eighteen people, including three council board members. Thus, a quorum of members was present. BVCC Chair, Cheri Lipps started the meeting, introduced herself, and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Cheri also stated that she was not able to get confirmation from any potential guests and so there may or may not be guest speakers.

**BVCC Updates**

**Section 36 Update:** Scott Pexton gave a brief update on Section 36:

The Section 36 subdivision plat map has been recorded! It divides Section 36 into 5 sections and can be viewed online on the MOA website.

Dowl Engineers will be preparing the Master Plan based on public input. Scott emphasized that Bear Valley community members should stay proactively involved in the process. He also mentioned that the MOA Department of Parks and Recreation (Parks & Rec) is starting the Master Planning process with a clean slate, meaning that old ideas and “agreements” need to be re-communicated to them and to Dowl.

The Dowl Engineering contact is Susan Luescher: [sluescher@dowl.com](mailto:sluescher@dowl.com).

Additional information on the project can be found at:  
<http://www.muni.org/parks/Section36MPHome.cfm>

Cheri acknowledged Scott, Rodney, Tami and Caryn for their active participation in the project.

**Hillside Area Land Owners Association (HALO) Update:** Rodney Powell gave a brief update on HALO:

- The last HALO meeting was a candidates’ forum, so the Association did not discuss any business.
- HALO has filed an appeal on the Legacy Point issue.



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Cheri mentioned that she offers the opportunity to candidates each election season to circulate information packets to the community, and to attend BVCC meetings.

**Assembly Update:** Dan Stone was not present at the meeting. Cheri was not aware of any issues needing reporting.

**Federation of Community Councils (FCC) Update:** Laurie Holland reported that she has not been able to attend any FCC meeting lately.

**BVCC Parks & Trails Committee Update:** Laurie Holland gave a brief update on the BVCC Parks & Trails Committee:

- The BVCC Parks & Trails Committee has officially been formed and currently has 10 active members! Interested persons are encouraged to contact Laurie and participate in the Committee.
- The next meeting is scheduled for November 5 – please feel free to attend.
- Bear Tracks Park is almost complete. Laurie thanked Cheri and all involved for their help in getting the park built.
- Volunteer community members finished roughing in the trail on the Kings Way and Paine Road section line easement last weekend, and work is currently underway to extend the trail to Brewster's.
- The Parks & Trails Committee is keeping an eye on the Hillside District Plan. There is also a transportation and trails supplement report on the MOA website.
- The Storck Park report card grading has been submitted to Parks & Rec.

Cheri thanked Kenny, David, Laurie and Kathleen for their help with Bear Tracks Park and the mailbox project.

**Mailboxes Update:** Cheri gave an update on the new mailboxes, which have been installed. There are currently 9 empty units in the Kings Way complex and 3 empty units in the Jamie Avenue complex. If you are interested in signing up for a new mailbox but haven't yet, contact Cheri.

The mail carrier is in the process of assigning box numbers. As soon as she is done, she will contact Cheri who will then notify community members. Once notified, community members will need to pick up keys directly from the Huffman post office – they will only release keys to the property owners. Once your mail is transferred to the new box, please remove your old box.

The newspaper "tree" got lost in the shuffle but has been picked back up. The tree should be installed soon.



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Scott, Kathleen and Caryn all extended much thanks to Cheri for the incredible amount of time and effort she has dedicated to getting this project, as well as many other projects, done. THANKS CHERI!

**Subsequent Mailbox Update:**

As of October 14, mailbox units have been assigned. Mail is planned to be transferred to the new boxes starting Thursday, October 16. Please pick up your key from the Huffman post office.  
Yipee!

**Membership Sign-In**

Cheri thanked Laurie for her hard work as Vice Chair of the Council.

Cheri gave a brief overview of last year's changes to the bylaws related to voting. The bylaws can be found at [www.communitycouncils.org](http://www.communitycouncils.org), Bear Valley link.

Cheri verified that everyone present at the meeting had signed in on the membership sign-in sheet.

**BVCC Board Member Elections: October 2008 through October 2009**

**BVCC Chair:** Cheri asked for nominations or volunteers for the BVCC Chair position:

- Kathleen Rice nominated Cheri Lipps
- David Lipps seconded
- No other nominees or volunteers
- Cheri Lipps was unanimously elected as BVCC Chair through a showing-of-hands vote

**BVCC Vice Chair:** Cheri asked for nominations or volunteers for the BVCC Vice Chair position:

- Kathleen Rice nominated Laurie Holland
- Scott Pexton seconded
- No other nominees or volunteers
- Laurie Holland was unanimously elected as BVCC Vice Chair through a showing-of-hands vote

**BVCC Secretary:** Cheri asked for nominations or volunteers for the BVCC Secretary position:

- Cheri Lipps nominated Angie Pinsonneault
- No other nominees or volunteers
- Angie Pinsonneault was unanimously elected as BVCC Secretary through a showing-of-hands vote



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**BVCC Treasurer:** Cheri asked for nominations or volunteers for the BVCC Treasurer position:

- Kathleen Rice nominated Caryn Smith
- Caryn pointed out that she is not eligible to hold the seat under the BVCC bylaws
- Cheri Lipps nominated Jackie Morrissey
- No other nominees or volunteers
- Jackie Morrissey was unanimously elected as BVCC Treasurer through a showing-of-hands vote

**BVCC Member-At-Large (HALO Representative):** Cheri asked for nominations or volunteers for the BVCC Member-At-Large (HALO Representative) position:

- Kathleen Rice nominated Rodney Powell
- Cheri Lipps seconded
- No other nominees or volunteers
- Rodney Powell was unanimously elected as BVCC Member-At-Large (HALO Representative) through a showing-of-hands vote

**BVCC Member-At-Large (Assembly Representative):** Cheri asked for nominations or volunteers for the BVCC Member-At-Large (Assembly Representative) position:

- Scott Pexton volunteered
- No other nominees or volunteers
- Scott Pexton was unanimously elected as BVCC Member-At-Large (Assembly Representative) through a showing-of-hands vote

**BVCC Member-At-Large (Committee Coordinator):** Cheri asked for nominations or volunteers for the BVCC Member-At-Large (Committee Coordinator) position:

- Kathleen Rice volunteered
- No other nominees or volunteers
- Kathleen Rice was unanimously elected as BVCC Member-At-Large (Committee Coordinator) through a showing-of-hands vote

Congratulations and thank you to all!

BVCC members are encouraged to consider volunteering, and to invite or nominate other interested members to serve as future Council officers.



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## **Open Forum**

Cheri asked for ideas for future meeting guest speakers:

- Kathleen suggested inviting developers active in the area to attend a meeting to explain their thoughts and plans for future development.
- Laurie suggested invited MOA employees to a few meetings a year to stay updated on MOA activities.

Kathleen brought up the question of how BVCC can hold people accountable to conditions agreed to in the platting and zoning process. Scott mentioned that the Assembly is the place to go to initiate ordinance changes and MOA enforcement is the place to go for noncompliance issues. He also mentioned that taking photos of examples of noncompliance is a great way to gather proof and draw attention to issues.

Cheri emphasized that it is illegal to push snow into Municipality roads or plow Municipality roads – PLEASE DON'T DO IT. And please keep the right-of-ways clear. If you feel there is a right-of-way issue, you can contact Officer Mike Walters. The Land Use Officer is Mike Billmaier.

Bob asked for an update on road maintenance. David explained that the current road maintenance contract for both the Bear Valley and Rabbit Creek View Heights LRSAs expired August 31 of this year. That contractor was determined to have been unresponsive to the contract (opted to not fix the deficiencies). The contracts have since been rewritten and modernized, and the MOA put the contracts out to bid.

The bid process has been closed and it appears that the two LRSAs will have different contractors this year. The Bear Valley contract is final and was awarded to Smithsons Enterprise Inc. The Rabbit Creek View Heights contract is currently pending a challenge but should be awarded soon. The MOA has a contingency plan in place for sanding and plowing if the investigation drags out.

David also mentioned that the LRSAs are required to have at least quarterly meetings, and that meeting notice is posted on the MOA website.

The Alta Court, Hazel Street & lower Carl Street properties (approximately 28) in Bear Valley were mentioned. These properties pay additional taxes because they have been deemed to be in a Building Service Safety Area rather than the Land Use designation that the majority of Bear Valley is in. Jennifer Johnston had mentioned at the last meeting that probably the best solution is to get the properties annexed, but that that could open another can of worms.



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Todd asked about the AT&T antenna farm and the lights on the towers. Kenny said that any related issues could be brought to his attention. Cheri said she would do some research ahead of the next meeting.

David Lipps moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:00pm. Scott Pexton seconded the motion.

The next Bear Valley Community Council meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 12, 2008, at 7:00 pm in the Arts & Crafts Room at the Bear Valley Elementary School.** Please forward any meeting topic ideas to Cheri.

Meeting minutes, notes, agendas and other BVCC topics of interest can be obtained by going to the BVCC web page at [www.communitycouncils.org](http://www.communitycouncils.org) and select Bear Valley.