

Minutes of Caspar Community Board of Directors Meeting  
Sept 9, 2005

1. Present were: Paul Schulman, Paul Reiber, David Alden, Judy Tarbell, Dalen Anderson. A quorum was declared.

2. Minutes: The Board minutes for the meeting of 8/26/05 were reviewed and approved.

3. Correspondence: Correspondence was received from Chubb informing us there was no terrorist coverage in policy and from Grange in re solar project.

4. Reports.

A. Finance: As of 9/1/05 account balances were:

CC \$2,628

CSavings \$3,188

CCCenter \$7,800

The Profit and Loss Analysis shows an operating loss of about \$1,600 for the year to date, probably due in large part to problems with dropping contributors under the new PayPal system. Finance committee will review the situation and report.

Total utility costs have also increased significantly, maybe because of new freezer.

Ray Duff was nominated and approved unanimously to join the finance committee. The current finance committee is therefore comprised of Judy Tarbell, Dalen Anderson and Ray Duff.

The CC needs to get contributions up. A pitch will be made at the next community meeting. We also need to sponsor more community activities. The possibility of having movie showings and starting a program for the provision of emergency services will be explored. Ray Duff and Mary Flannery Kraut were identified as people potentially interested in this.

B. Manager's Report:

The Alice Di Micele fundraiser only produced a \$51 profit. Additional bills which have come in for the Folk Festival have reduced its profit to \$ 7,436.

The event by Mambo this scheduled for Oct. 29 is still on. We are co-sponsoring a Hurricane victims benefit on 9/30 with Kevin and the coconuts, mambo this and some New Orleans music.

Weddings are set for the next three weekends. A meet Your Neighbor session is set for 10/23 with May Johnson

The next community meeting is set for 10/16

The CCC has been giving a 10% discount to pledgers.

c. Children's Garden—no report.

- D. Bakery/Café Michael Potts has promised to do elevations by next week. A meeting for interested parties is set for 4:00 on 9/20 at the CCC
- E. Community Garden – no report.
- F. Solar Project – no report. This subject will be raised at the next community meeting.
- H. Greenhouse. – no report.
- I. Septic system—no report.
- J. Folk Festival – Two possibilities for headliner acts are being explored for the Sat. night event. Joe Craven indicated his availability with a trio for \$1500. Maria Muldaur can perform with a trio or quartet for \$2000 plus hotel accommodations. Craven has also offered to do a workshop on the subject of incorporating world folk music into modern compositions. The last Craven event yielded a \$900 profit for the CCC.
- K. Website – Judy Tarbell will be issuing a report concerning the results of the committee meeting on the website.

L. Community Coordinator Position—Judy Tarbell is researching the availability of grants. Priority for fund raising however, should be the bakery/café and the water system issue. The question of available grant funding raises the whole issue of where we want to go with these issues. Does the community wish to own a water supply system? It was noted that Pt. Arena has always had a lot of controversy surrounding its privately owned water system.

It was also noted that one reason fire insurance is so high in Caspar is the distance to the nearest fire station and the absence of fire hydrants. Insurance rates could be as much as \$200-300 lower if a water system with hydrants were available.

Another factor to consider is that ownership of a major piece of the community infrastructure provides quite a bit of influence over development and growth. We need to carefully think through the extent to which CC wants to expand its mission to include broader infrastructure matters.

#### L. Other items

A newsletter is planned to announce the community meeting on 10/16 and to plug the Halloween festivities. Jan Boyd has volunteered to take over the newsletter. Target will be 10/1 for the mailing.

The next meeting will be on Sept. 23, 2005.

The meeting was adjourned so that the board members could have an informal meeting

with Spike Wheeler and his son, who have expressed some interest in the development potential of the Caspar Cattle co. property, to give them background on the community.