

Spearfish Canyon Owners Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Wednesday, March 9, 2016

The SCOA board of directors met by conference call on Wednesday, March, 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 7 pm MST. Present were President Steve Paula, Vice President Harry Matti, Secretary Carol Reausaw, Treasurer Pam Haugland, Dave Palmer, Doug Hendriks, Steven Fox, and Dave Johnson. Absent was Bob Morcom.

Haugland presented a treasurer's report. As of March 9, 2016, total funds held by SCOA are in the amount of \$82,978.50. There are no past due membership fees owing. She explained that the financial report she gives runs from fiscal year July 2014 to July 2015. This report is attached to these minutes. Reausaw moved and Johnson seconded the motion to approve the financial reports. Haugland states that she has secured bonding for the position of treasurer.

Reausaw presented the minutes of the regular September 20, 2015 meeting for approval. Haugland moved they be accepted. The motion was seconded by Matti and approved.

**ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**

The ARC is working with attorney, Dick Pluimer, on wording changes to the 2014 Guidelines with regard to approved square footage limits.

**FIREWISE COMMITTEE**

Matti reported that new Fire Wise plaques have been received for installation on the sign at the Fire Hall.

**NEWSLETTER**

Reausaw reported that a newsletter will be published at the end of March. She set a deadline for submission of articles, pictures, poems etc. for March 25.

**NOMINATING**

Dave Johnson has submitted that the Spearfish Canyon Owners Association is seeking nominations from our members who wish to participate on the Board of Directors for three year terms beginning July, 2016. The terms of three members will be expiring at that time and elections will be held at the annual meeting to replace them. BOD members whose terms are expiring are Harold Matti, Pam Haugland, and Steve Paula. Matti and Paula will have served two consecutive terms. Haugland volunteered to be nominated to sit on the board for another 3 year term.

**COOKBOOK**

Haugland reported that the cookbook committee has indicated that their preference is to sell cookbooks until they are gone and then decide on their future participation in this project.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Matti reported that Spearfish Canyon Lodge representatives are still working on getting a cell phone tower at the Lodge.

At this time nothing is known about the future of mining by Deadwood Standard Mine.

Paula has been in contact with Myron Rowe, retired highway patrolman and executive director of the South Dakota Trucking Association, regarding the use of loud dynamic braking (Jake Brakes) in the canyon. This has been a long standing complaint of canyon owners voiced to the board. Rowe told Paula that dynamic braking is essential to safely driving a semi-truck. He said that the problem is that adequate muffler systems are not being used by the trucks. He has asked to be able to have his association self-police the situation. Reausaw and Fox commented that the Jake Brake noise has actually lessened over the winter time, even though the numbers of trucks going by is the same as in summer.

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The grievance process with John and Vanice Erickson has been resolved. The Ericksons complied with the Amended Decision of the Board of Directors regarding their violations of Covenants, Architectural Review Committee Rules and Canyon Design Guidelines. The fine and attorney fees totaling \$19,000 has been paid to SCOA.

**NEW BUSINESS**

According to a column written by Governor Dennis Daugaard (<http://spearfishcanyon.com/news/index.html>), over the last few months, the Spearfish Canyon Foundation has been working with the state Game, Fish, and Parks Department to acquire a property from Homestake Mining Company. The Foundation will donate funds to Game, Fish and Parks for the purchase of 73 acres in Spearfish Canyon, including Spearfish Falls, as well as two other adjacent state-owned parcels leading up to, and beyond Roughlock Falls. The idea is to possibly form another state park.

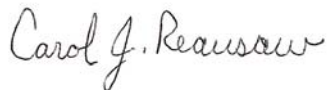
Jim Nelson, canyon cabin owner and past SCOA president, has been closely following the proposed project. He has intimate knowledge of the history of the original land transfer of canyon properties by Homestake Mining Company in 1990. Nelson has taken it upon himself to transmit to the governor, Lawrence County Commissioners, and The SDGF&P the background documents of the original land transfers. He has also supplied them with copies of the Spearfish Canyon Corridor Management Plan prepared by the USFS.

Nelson stressed that all these documents state that the original goal is to keep Spearfish Canyon open to the public with no access fees or gates. SCOA is a stake holder in the way the canyon is managed and cared for. The goal is to maintain the serenity, environmental integrity of the canyon, and the quality of Spearfish Creek. The ability of the area to withstand increased traffic is also a concern. The concept for the SD GF&P to own and maintain public areas is a good one. The concept to actually make these areas a state park is in question.

Nelson was commended for his work on this issue and urged to continue it.

The annual all-member meeting is set for July 9, 2016 at the Lead Country Club.

The meeting adjourned at 8 p.m. MST



Carol Reausaw, secretary

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<b><u>July 11, 2015</u></b>	Checking Balance (PB&T)	\$29,043.80
	CD Balance (PB&T)	<u>\$36,347.48</u>
	 Total Funds	 \$65,391.28
 Revenues:		
	Dues & Fees Collected	\$7,737.46
	John Erickson -	
	Attorney Fees	11,500.00
	Fine	7,500.00
	Pine Beetle Contributions	500.00
	Misc. Donation	100.00
	Cookbook Income	1620.00
	Interest Checking	9.32
	Interest on C.D.	<u>31.75</u>
	 <b>Total Revenues</b>	 <b>\$28,998.53</b>
 Expenditures:		
	Annual Meeting-Caterer	1,060.80
	Economy Conference Call	0.00
	Brady Pluimer-Expenses	8610.15
	Webb Creations	504.00
	US Post Office-Rent	0.00
	P.Haugland-Reimbursement Sec. of State	
	annual report fee	10.00
	P.Haugland- Misc Supplies/copy/stamps	95.99
	Black Hills Agency-Directors &	
	Officers Liability Insurance	0.00
	Black Hills Agency – Commercial	
	Crime Policy (Treasurer)	200.00
	Chicken Creek Comm – Newsletter	552.20
	Chicken Creek Comm - Dues Notice	0.00
	MS Mail - Firewise	135.43
	Lead Country Club- Annual Meeting Rent	200.00
	Harry Matti - Firewise rolls	36.00
	Harry Matti - SCOA Directory Printing	36.10
	Dave Palmer - Postage &Cookbk Reimb.	24.71
	 <b>Total Expenditures</b>	 <b>\$11,465.38</b>
 <b><u>March 9, 2016</u></b>	 Checking Balance (PB&T)	 \$46,567.20

C.D. Balance (PB&T)	<u>\$36,411.30</u>
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$82,978.50</b>

Past Due Accounts:

0

Liens In Process:

0

ARC Fee's Collected (to date):

\$500.00

Total Pine Beetle Contributions (to date):

SCOA Treasury \$10,000

S. C. Fire Dept. \$5,000

SCOA Members \$14,445.00

Cookbook \$18,766.85

Total \$29,945.00

SCOA Cookbook Balance (to date):

Revenues and expenses \$3,346.85