

CASOLAR BOD MEETING 1/12/15

Meeting was called to order by President Kenny Friedman at 9:03 AM. All BOD members were present via teleconference thereby establishing a quorum.

The December meeting was cancelled due to lack of business to discuss.

Old Business

Kenny reported that wildfire tree mitigation project is now complete and Casolar is no longer in the High Risk category, the "Red Zone". It is now considered to be in the Moderate Category, "Yellow Zone", the lowest categories the HOA can achieve. **Because of the topography of our location, a "moderate" fire zone rating is the best we can achieve."**

Kenny said that in the spring we will need to spend money to remove 4 trees from behind Mulligan's and Pierce's homes and to replant in that area. This might be a cost of between \$2,000 and \$3000.

Nancy said we need to announce to owners that it is necessary as of January 1 to buy bear proof recycling containers before they are fined by the town of Vail.

The Telemark dumpster is now gone and the remaining concrete will probably become covered by grass after several seasons.

New Business

It was requested at the Annual HOA meeting to form an audit committee to review the budget and bookkeeping. Marshall reported having 2 good meetings with Gerald Merfish and Allen Mulligan regarding the budget. A discussion led to these possible options:

1. Hire an outside agency to keep the books and pay the bills
2. Go to a different software program which might not be transferrable to another person.

Marshall reported that most billing is auto paid. Donna commented that we need to make sure the bookkeeper is honest. John Uhley had said previously that he has a person in mind who could do the accounting work. In summary, Kenny suggested that we talk to Gerald or John to see if one of them would be willing to handle our money. Marshall said that we don't need a CPA but do need an honest, knowledgeable person. He says the job would require about 4 hours per month at an estimated cost of \$1200 per year. Marshall would contact H and R Block who has filed our taxes in recent years so we could clean up all old numbers and start fresh.

A short discussion was held stating that we should get bids for summer maintenance from Ceres, Pristine and Scott Halstead to determine who will be doing the job this summer.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:48 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Bigsby, Secretary, Casolar HOA