

Newsletter

Clear Creek Community Services District
5880 Oak Street, Happy Valley, CA

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Board of Directors Meeting Highlights

Highlights are from the meeting of the Board of Directors, Wednesday, July 20, 2011. A complete set of minutes, once approved by the Board is available at the District Office.

Attendance: Four directors were in attendance; one absent.

Consent Agenda: Items reviewed and unanimously approved.

Old Business: None.

New Business: *Report of Effort to Purchase Alexander Mansion—Sandy Winters*—Ms. Winters gave a brief history on the Alexander Mansion and said she and the other members were asking for a letter of support for the group's efforts from Clear Creek. The group has received some grant money and is in the process of writing another grant. If the money cannot be raised, the property will go up for public sale. Ms. Winters said the property is 41+/- acres and is an ideal place for a community park. The home is going to require extensive remodeling but the land is ideal for school field trips, picnics, walking trails and even weddings. Ron Jolliff is working on a \$200,000 grant with a deadline of July 29th. Ms. Winters was asked who would hold title to the property if funds are raised to purchase it. She responded the Happy Valley Foundation would own it. It was also asked if the Happy Valley Park Committee is interested in joining forces on this project. The board was told not at this time and it is rumored the group has disbanded. The board was in agreement in drafting a letter of support for the committee. Ms. Work-

man-Flowers said she would like to give the group contact information of two developers that have been very supportive of the community.

Staff Reports—Ms. Workman-Flowers and Kurt Born met with the developers from Cottonwood Estates. They are planning to move forward with their project. The district's attorney, Walt McNeill was also in attendance. Ms. Workman-Flowers said the district is very close to issuing a conditional will serve letter. Staff is working with the attorney gathering information to draft a response by August 12th to the motion to dismiss filed by the Bureau.

The mainline extension on the Butterfield project is approximately half way completed; staff is working on it as time allows.

Notary Service

Clear Creek currently has a Notary Public on staff and is offering Notary Services as a courtesy to our customers during regular business hours. **Please call ahead** for an appointment and/or cost information.



Farmer's Market

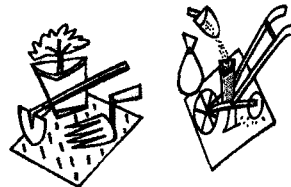
The **Anderson Farmers' Market** is open every Thursday at the Factory Outlet Stores. The market hours are from 7:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. For more information call Myron @ 357-4314.

New "Green" Rate

If you are a domestic customer who desires to grow a garden, trees, etc., but have been hesitant to do so, the Board of Directors has adopted a pilot program referred to as the "green" rate to encourage you in your efforts. This rate will be limited to the growing season from the June through November billing cycles. For more information please contact the District Office. The form may be picked up at the office or you may download it from the District's website:

www.clearcreekcsd.com and then mail or drop it by.

Forms need to be returned no later than the 10th of the month to be considered for the next billing cycle.



Water Usage In Acre Feet Water Year: March 1st to February 28th

Month	Previous Year	Current Year	+/-
March	122	107	- 15
April	114	137	+ 23
May	428	289	- 139
June	582	395	- 187
YTD	1246	928	- 318

Figures reflect meter readings at Whiskeytown Dam, less water diverted to Centerville CSD.

Board of Directors

Johanna Trenerry, Chairwoman

Irwin Fust, Vice Chair

Ronald Asher, Director

Calvin Ciapponi, Director

Doug Evans, Director

Monthly Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for **Wednesday, August 17, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.** The public is encouraged to attend.

Contact Us!

- Phone: (530) 357-2121 (24 hour emergency #)
- Fax: (530) 357-3723
- cccsd@shasta.com
- www.clearcreekcsd.com





Weather Observations
***June 2011**

Rainfall Totals	2009	2010	2011
MTD	2.07"	.03"	1.95"
*YTD	34.78"	22.29"	41.31"

Monthly High & Low Temperatures

High Temp. 103 Low Temp. 42
Avg. High 82 Avg. Low 56

**Year to Date Rainfall Totals are from July to June
Weather Information Provided by Clear Creek Staff*

Happy Valley Lions Club
Sunday Breakfasts

The Happy Valley Lions Club's monthly breakfast is the third Sunday of the month at the Happy Valley Elementary School. Breakfast is from 8:00 am to 11:00 am; and is \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under age 10 with your choice of (#1) Biscuits and Gravy with Sausage and Eggs or (#2) Pancakes with Sausage and Eggs. Meals include juice, coffee and eggs cooked your way! All proceeds stay in the Happy Valley area.



Happy Valley Happenings

2011 FARM TRAIL MAPS ARE AVAILABLE ON THEIR WEBSITE:

www.happyvalleyfarmtrail.com



FRESH FRUITS & VEGETABLES AVAILABLE NOW FROM LOCAL GROWERS!



*******Water Conservation*******

13 Ways to Conserve Water at Home

- Evaluate your water habits—do you leave water running while brushing your teeth? Do you take extra long showers?
- Look for leaks and repair them right away—most leaks are easy to detect such as dripping/leaking faucets and running toilets. Replace washers and fixtures as needed.
- Check your outdoor watering system for leaks—your meter has a leak detector. Make sure all water is off and take a look at the meter; if the little detector is turning, you have a leak.
- Install water-saving devices— aerators, low flow shower heads.
- Save water while preparing food—use a brush and a bowl. Save used vegetable water for soup stock!
- Flush toilet only when necessary and don't use it for trash.
- Know the proper settings on your washing machine—choose newer water/energy saving models.
- Wash dishes wisely—only run full loads in your dishwasher. Most newer models don't require pre-rinsing. If washing by hand, don't let water continually run. Compost instead of using garbage disposal.
- Be efficient in the shower and bath—plug drain while running water for bath and take shallow baths. Cut showers shorter by a few minutes.
- Use less water to clean your home— use water in a bucket. Use sponge mop vs string mop to use less water.
- Check hoses and irrigations systems—use adjustable hose nozzle; check hoses and connectors for needed repairs. Consider drip irrigation and do regular maintenance on system.
- Minimize watering outdoors—water when the sun is down to avoid evaporation and don't water when windy. Let grass grow taller in warmer weather; use mulch in shrubbery; plant items such as native grasses and other drought tolerant plants.
- Keep up with pool and hot tub care—don't overfill! Use a cover to slow evaporation. Repair leaks.

Be sure to call 811 before doing any digging!
Underground Service Alert

Lending Library Available

A lending library has been made possible through Clear Creek's water conservation program. There are several books available for customers to check out. Topics range from "The Small Farm Handbook to Irrigation Pumping Plants". There are also a few DVD's and several catalogs available. Several new books and gardening guides have been donated; come by and see what has been added. Office hours are Monday through Friday 8-5.

