SOTHA Board meeting

Started: 7:30

At: Kevin Michelson's home

- Attending:
  - Emily Smith (guest)
  - o Buddy & Jill (stopped by)
  - Dave Nixa
  - o Eric Hansen
  - o Joy Hartman
  - o Stewart Holmes
  - o Mark Regan
  - Kevin Michelson
- Prior minutes
  - Will post on the internet for approval
- Treasures report
  - Reviewed accounts
- A/R
  - o Board moved to remove late fees & finance charge
    - Of Harvey and Doughty
    - Some statements were not being received by the correct person
  - o Pingatore
  - o Ross Tare
  - o Laurcella
    - Death in family
- Budget and discussions related
  - o Discussed
    - Fire mitigation over budget
    - The Mesa road was not paid pending future agreement
    - Snowplow over budget
    - Grading paid nothing, against 11,000
      - Grading will come Monday and see if they can bill out
      - Franz, Aspen Digger will grade the road
      - Might want to have more work done using next years budget
      - Water ditch for old pond or culverts
        - Let Franz and Hal suggest.
      - Will get scope with meeting of Franz and Eric
        - o Old pond way to buddy myers
        - o Shield o way,
          - bottom to blue sage
    - Blue Sage Road

- Discuss Speed limit
- Dog control
- Weed Spraying
  - Under budget
  - After years end will still have under budget
- Mowing of road side
  - Stewart is mowing now as a good neighbor
  - Discuss hiring person to mow for aesthetic and fire mitigation, and weed control.
  - Board agrees :Put in on the annual meeting
- Legal Fees.
  - Ben to look at the memorandum of understanding for agreements for properties allowing access for safety places during wild fires.
- Surplus of \$15,000
  - no refund for members this year
- o 2014-2015 budget
  - discussion of dues
    - keep the dues at \$1000
      - o with explanation that this is a reduction
- o Wild Fire
  - Safe zone work by Dave
    - Eagle's rise ranch
      - o Will provide safe area after next year
    - Smith Ranch, signed
    - Wild Cat, approved
    - Excluded monastery
  - Need to encourage Pitkin County residents to sign up for county alert, this is important for the use of safe zone.
    - Dave will volunteer to assist people in signing up for the service if they need help.
    - Present Pitkin alert system at owners meeting.
  - Discuss insurance rates with fire mitigation plan
  - Drywells,
    - Owners should call Basalt Fire Department to have them locate the drywells for fire mitigation on their map.
- o Shield O Mesa Road Agreement
  - SOTHA submitted a letter to Mesa on 6/8/14 to renegotiate and review road agreement
    - No response
    - No further action required
  - Road Fire mitigation on Mesa
    - Discuss sotha doing the work for fire mitigation on the mesa roads

- o using the mesa road association money that Sotha in the past had reimbursed for the Mesa's work on old pond way access.
- Board decided to wait until fire mitigation plan is finalized.
- New Business
  - Lundevall has signed papers to be included in HOA
    - Father Tom's old property
  - Mail Boxes
    - Frank Laurcella should approve of mailboxes on his property
    - Discuss, 30 day notice of non response, then the HOA could proceed to build mailboxes
    - Kevin has communicated with post office as to design
    - Mail box types
      - Who pays?
        - o Discuss HOA paying for all mail boxes
        - Individual owners paying for their type of mail hox
        - Owner can supply or HOA can supply as a service to the owner.
      - Board approved \$2000 as budget to build mail box structure.
    - Bring up for review at the owners meeting for input, discussion
  - Annual owners meeting
    - Tentative at the Smith house
    - Early August 5, 2014
    - Location to be Buddy Meyers, or Hawley Smith.
  - Land use
    - Comments on Sanson property (beginning of Casey Court)
    - Possible building permit
      - Pitkin County Requesting any comments from HOA
- Meeting adjourned
  - o 9:30pm