

**SOTHA Board Meeting**  
**July 24, 2023**  
**Minutes**

Meeting called to order online at 5:00pm at 707 Shield O Rd and via Teams

- Attending Board Members:
  - Kevin Michelson
  - Stewart Holmes
  - Eric Hansen
  - Mark Regan
  - Ross Pingatore (virtual)
  - Riccardo Abate (virtual)
  - Susan Holliday (virtual)
  
- Attending Members:
  - David Berkey
  - Lisa Gutner
  
- Minutes of Prior Board Meetings 12/6/2022
  - Minutes posted on website and notification given to membership by email  
- Approved
  
- Treasurer's Report
  - As of July 9, 2023
    - Balance Sheet - \$75K cash
    - P&L – \$34K expenses to date
    - A&R - \$1k
  
- Receivables
  - No current outstanding dues.
  
- Payables
  - No current payables

### Old Business:

- **Road Maintenance**
  - **Snow Plowing** – The snow removal budget for the 2022-23 winter was nearly \$8,500 over budget. Kevin Michelson reported that Hal Hartman was trying to negotiate a fixed fee for Master Maintenance to perform the snow removal for 2023-24 including a large piece of equipment to be stored where Shield O Road and Mesa Road meet (at the top of the T). The Board agreed to evaluate any proposal by email prior to agreeing to any fixed amount.
  - **Grading/Roadbase** – Kevin Michelson reported that Hal Hartman organized at least \$22k for road improvements including mag chloride to above Rick Muller’s home. The Board was generally pleased with the work completed. The final bill for the recent work has yet to be received.
- **Wildfire Mitigation** – Eric reported that minimal work was required on the Terraces side, but Mesa Road needed wildfire mitigation. Kevin Michelson agreed to reach out to Dave Hale and the Mesa Road Association about wildfire mitigation along Mesa Road.
- **Weeds** – Eric has already organized two (2) weed spraying cycles for the summer.
- **Roadside edge grass/weed cutting** – The Board agreed to forgo the cutting due to the relatively wet summer and lower fire hazards.
- **Upper Shield O Expenses** – These expenses were discussed as part of the grading and road base discussion. The Board restated that the roadways above the intersection of Shield O and Blue Sage are improved to minimal standards.

### New Business:

- **2023-2024 Fiscal year Budget** – The Board approved the proposed budget for the next fiscal year setting the annual dues at \$2,000 per member.
- **Annual Meeting** – Tuesday, August 15 was decided for an annual meeting to be held in person and virtually.

Meeting adjourned @ 7:00pm