

CCSPOA Annual Meeting Minutes  
Saturday, April 27, 2013

CALL TO ORDER (1:00 PM)

WELCOMING REMARKS AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

GUEST SPEAKERS

- Jo Karr Tedder, President, Central Texas Water Coalition (CTWC) reported on bills that are currently before the legislature. Politics are blocking some of the bills. CTWC has been asked to testify at most of the committee meetings about the various bills. CTWC hired a hydrologist, and this study shows there is 31% less water than previously believed in the lake. LCRA and TCEQ will not use this data so CTWC is doing a briefing at the capitol for various legislators this week. CTWC also thinks this will change the way water is dealt with in the entire state. Emphasized that this is apolitical process. Perry has refused to pull the LCRA plan at this point. Hydrology study shows that if next 3 summers are as bad the lakes will be dry. We cannot afford to wait until the drought is over to act. Predictions are that we may have 5-10 more years. Hydrology study will be available on CTWC website. Water management plan has been released by LCRA and people need to do comments and ask for a hearing.
- Bill Neve reports that he has also been attending CTWC meetings. Waterfront owners can protest the waterfront property tax, and when property value drop the value on pass through lakes will go up. About 30% of population here is not counted as “demand” for water, because they are not fulltime residents. He also reported on county budget, which looks pretty good at this time. Part of budget is based on new construction growth and there has been an increase in growth this year. Bill reported on how road and bridge money is divided-at this time areas with few road miles for work get more money and Bill would like the money to be divided more equally. He notes he is not advocating for a tax increase at this time.
- Frank Clawsner from Bonanza Beach spoke about organizing POAs on east side of lake to participate in the ESD (Emergency Services District). ESD gave summary of the activity to POAs. The

POA coalition was put together to share information and see if common goals could be met by working together. One issue being looked at is a study about providing drinking water. Feral hogs and firewise are also issues that are being looked into. They are discussing meeting quarterly. Corex, a water company out of Canada is looking into buying the water companies around the lake.

- East Lake Buchanan VFD- Nowell Maluski updated members on the VFD and the new fire truck at our station. Please call the sheriff dept. if you are burning so that VFD doesn't get called out for concerns. VFD will also stand by if there is a large community burn.

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES from 2012 ANNUAL MEETING-**  
These were emailed to members before the meeting and there were no comments or corrections.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. Treasurer's Report- this was handed out and is available on the website. We have been working to clean up who the owners are and get records in good shape. Ron Brannan has been working closely with our CPA firm to make the process smoother. CB Harrah noted that we have been able to offset a lot of the cost of the CPA by cuts elsewhere. Large part of the decision to outsource bookkeeping was due to the need to keep up with liens and property owners who are in arrears.
2. Firewise Committee Report-Claire Harrah- she notes that property owners and POA have made a tremendous effort to be Firewise and we have achieved that status this year. She explained that an "x house" will not be able to be saved in a fire and there are several "x houses" in our neighborhood. Our neighborhood is in great danger from tree top fire along 137 which will leave the majority of our neighborhood trapped. People should leave immediately in case of neighborhood fire. Neighbors are encouraged to continue to trim and cut back cedar and dead wood. Remember to notify Claire of any time or money you spend to improve your property.

## OLD BUSINESS

1. Park -CB Harrah reported on park maintenance update. Clearing out cedar and road easements of cedar in the park was done this year. Park also had road base topped with 2 layers of chip and tar. VFD and ESD contributed to this project as well (park road).
2. Roads- Whistle and Paul were also improved this year. County added tinhorn on Paul to collect water. Chipping took place on Echo, Whistle and Eagle. Ledge was cleared by forest service-they provided chipper.

## NEW BUSINESS

1. Election of Directors -Susan Cowan and Jim Smith are running for office this year. Nominations made and seconded to approve Jim and Susan as new directors.
2. The Board thanked CB Harrah, outgoing Board President, for his years of service.

## PARKING LOT ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT-Meeting was adjourned due to rain and not all items were covered. Information is available at the website at [councilcreeksouth.org](http://councilcreeksouth.org)