

Contra Costa Hills Club
Virtual Board Meeting Minutes
August 9, 2024

The August board meeting was held virtually through Zoom. President Stew Perlman called the meeting to order at 10:03am.

Board Members present: Stew Perlman, Jim Baranowski, Mike Branning, Cameron Mitchell, Patricia Derickson, Connie Gee, Mindy Svorny-Moore, Suzy Mark, Rosemary Johnson.

Committee Members present: Bill Chen, Angela Toy

Absent: Lucy Perdichizzi, Helen Wong Johe, Fran Ternus

Minutes Approval: July 12th Board Meeting; Moved to accept minutes, seconded Motion carried.

President's Report: How did we get to August already? For those of you who have grandchildren in school, you may want to consider taking them to the variety of places and events that you told them you would get to this summer vacation. School begins in many Bay Area school districts in about two weeks. July was a record-setting month for hot days above 90 degrees, so I hope that those of you who live in our warmer areas endured the heat as well as possible. And for those of you who were traveling this past month or will be traveling in August, I wish you a safe and enjoyable trip. I was traveling the North Cascades Loop recently through Washington and would recommend the journey. Of course, there are a variety of hikes to attend this month and let's hope that August will be more comfortable than July. Enjoy yourselves and stay well.

Warmest regards,

Stew Perlman

A new hike waiver (by Lynne Vogensen) should now appear on the CCHC website - good for members and guests alike; Stew sent waivers to Russ Honeyman, our insurance agent, to obtain insurance for the Board Members (up to \$1 million).

Betty Parfitt-Komisar, who passed away in 2022, has gifted the club with \$10,000. Cameron and Stew have been in contact with the lawyer who is taking care of this donation. Much appreciated donation! Possibly place into CD to gain interest while we decide what to do with it long term. Possibly a \$50,000 limit as a non-profit—Cameron to run by April for tax purposes.

Stew is requesting that the Board approve making a donation to the Conservation Committee in honor of Wiley Johe, Helen's beloved husband, who passed away August 6.

Vice President's Report: Jim presented latest newsletter version, some times 1-3 pages. It is sent out the first of every month. News and events come off the website, 2 photos, 2 hike descriptions.

Deemed definitely worthwhile (mini-Knapsack). Needs more coordination with website group. One email coordinated with President's message, add to website and groups.io.

Membership: Three new (2 returning) joined this month so our membership total is 213.

Expenses:

Conservation Committee Requests:

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| 1. Friends of Sausal Creek | \$ 100.00 |
| 2. National Parks Conservation Association | 150.00 |
| 3. Solano Land Trust | 150.00 |

Bills: Connie Gee: Postage for June monthly mailing – \$29.24

Motion to pay bills/conservation, seconded Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Total Funds as of July 31, 2024 \$ 37,651.25

Corresponding Secretary: Patricia sent 0 cards to members in July.

Old Business: None

New Business:

1. Bill Chen: Mammoth Lake trip: Sept 2-6, will be hiking at altitude, gradually climbing up to 10,000 feet. Will be a bit of juggling, due to road closures, but all is set and the hikes will go on uninterrupted.

2. Proposal to honor Wiley Johe in his passing by Stew Perlman. Wiley was a computer mentor for the El Cerrito Library, possible place to donate. Cameron to contact Helen to see if she has a preference for an organization to receive the donation. Suggested donation \$25-50 per board member?

Thank you to Jim Baranowski for arranging our Zoom meeting.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 10:51am. Moved by, seconded . Motion carried.

Next Virtual Meeting: September 13, 2024 at 10:00 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Mindy Svorny-Moore, Recording Secretary

