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## SIERRA PARK NEWS FOR AUGUST 1996

SIERRA PARK LODGE #376 Odd Fellows meetings are held the 2nd & 4th Sat. of each month at 7 PM in the Rec. Hall.

RECREATION - The Annual Barbecue is usually held on Sunday of Labor Day Week-end, which will be September 1 this year. We now have a very large crew bivouacked here for fighting the wild fire caused by lightening. They take up all the area between the Rec. Hall and the picnic grounds as well as all the space from there to the Meadow including the lake area - and whatever other space they can find to pitch tents and park other equipment. We are still planning the barbecue for Sept. 1 from 4 to 6 FM. The fire crew think they will be out of here before that time.

SPECIAL NOTICE Before the meeting a general discussion was held on the method of distribution of gate cards. (t was decided that the original distribution policy should be amended to replace purchase of two electronic openers for \$30.00 each by two cards for \$30.00 each; that is, there will still be two cards free per lot as before, but owners have the option of purchasing any combination of two other openers - electronic or card - for \$30.00 each.

<u>WEATHER</u> — As many of you have suffered through 100+ heat: we have had temperatures of nearly 90 during those days. Now with the fire imminent we still have many vacationers who brave the smoke that we have every day. It will probably be two weeks before things get back to "normal".

ATV'S - In the letter you received regarding these vehicles it was mentioned that an envelope was enclosed. Somehow that got overlooked when they were sent out. The Board members apologizes for that oversight. There have also been other comments (which were expected). So many persons have become "sue-happy" that the Board - at the insistence and requirement of the insurance carriers - had to make these restrictions. Society has become exceedingly complex - Government has taken over so much of our lives - and we are forced to accede to these requirements. All of this has brought us to the situation (that we are not happy with) regarding motorized vehicles. IMPORTANT NOTICE: TO EXIT THROUGH THE GATE ON LEAVING THE PARK In order for the gate to open properly you must stop with your bumper at the white line.

Hope to see you at the park on Labor Day week-end............Sierra Sue

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## CHECKS DISBURSED AUGUST 1996 (TIMBER FUND)

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## REPORT OF FUNDS AUGUST 18,1996

RECREATION ACCOUNTS \$ 105,425.00

ROADS/WATER RESERVE 40,301.00
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The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Fresident Edward Smith. All members present except Zobel, excused. The meeting was opened with prayer by Richard Bonner. MINUTES -The minutes of the 7/14/96 meeting were approved as printed. MEMBERS BEFORE THE BOARD - 1. Tracy & Cathy Bowman - request for use of Rec hall & Picnic area July 15-19,1998. 2. Bill Kilgore - request for picnic grounds Sept. 20,1996. 3. Richard Bonner - request for picnic grounds for last week-end of July 1997. MSC to grant all three requests. 4. Verdina & Gerald Hague - observer CARETAKERS REPORT - The fire crew is using about 14,000 gallohs per day of our water over the usual amount used by residents. They also have some of their own supply, but observe all state requirements regarding potable water. We are getting extra sand for the playground area. Trock on the gate building should be completed during the coming week. The work was done primarily by Dale Smith, Edward Smith, Bill Smith and Richard Bonner. Closure of the gate has been postponed due to the fact that the fire crew has invaded the park. <u>CORRESPONDENCE</u> -1. Lionel Mattos - re: gate cards & openers. 2. M.& T. Dietrich - re: gate cards & openers. 3. Sonora Insurance Co. - Five acres is covered. 4. High Country Builders - Martin Parking problem. 5. State Farm Ins. Co. - re: Canales road problem. 6. Facific Bell -Information on gate. COMMITTEE REPORTS WATER - Water use: 644,000 gals. ROADS - Morrison- There was some discussion on the road back of the Canales property with regard to insurance liability. There should be some guard rail placed around the part that is caving off. There is a need for work soon on West Jordan at the foot of Deborah. BUILDINGS - Hawke - We have acquired new cabinets for mouse-resistant storage. TIMBER -Zobel - No report. RECREATION -Snell -The fire crew is inhabiting all of our recreation area. At the time of this writing they believe they will be out within a week unless the fire changed their minds. That should mean that we can go ahead with our plans for the annual Labor Day Barbecue. HEALTH AND SAFETY -Coleman - In regard to needles left on lots: the CDF can issue a 30 day notice; then a 15 day notice, then if not cleaned they can issue a citation. They have asked us to form a committee to evaluate the situation then issue these notices before they issue a citation. It was MSC to form such a committee. There was an accident at the bridge in the park recently. The driver was a visitor to the park. Fred Coleman and Daryl Clark assisted in getting the driver out of his vehicle. The blood from the victim brought out the necessity of the need for certain first aid equipment to be available for such emergencies. The Miwuk Fire Department was the first to respond to a 911 call, followed by an ambulance. From this experience the Board felt strongly of the advisability of a substantial annual donation to the Miwuk Fire Department. EQUIPMENT -Smith - The pick up still needs front end work. There was discussion as to the advisability of repairing or replacing the pickup. The one we have is somewhat small for the work that it has to do.l FINANCE -Zobel - Bills for the Recreation Association #27,402.20. Bills for the Timber Fund \$27,684.00. MSC to pay the bills. There was further discussion as to revising the accounts to earn better interest. CLD BUSINESS -There were 50 remote gate openers that had to be recalled ; all but 4 have been returned to Sharon and she is working on those 4. Thoy will be replaced at the manufacturer's expense, We are still working on the easement through the Boy Scout property for emergency This is a condition required for development of the five acre parcel. NEW BUSINESS - Cover is to clean up the upper part of the lake where it comes from the creek. The General membership dictated at the 1995 meeting that a committee be formed to recommend removing some of the trees around the lake and meadow. - Cover will also remove trees recommended by that committee at the same time. No further business appearing, the meeting closed at 10:50 AM. The next meeting will be September 15,1995 at 9:00 AM. Following the meeting three of the administrative staff of the fire crew met with the board to discuss the financial arrangements for their stay. Those administrators were Richard Danielson, Ruby Metcalf and Lorie Bennett. They outlined the general operation of the camp and answered all questions to our satisfaction. The entire crew has exhibited the attitude that they do not wish to disturb us in any way if they can help it; they are here to do a job and wish to be as neighborly as possible. They have contract services for as much as possible; however, they will pay for the water they use and will pay us for the days that they must be here.. Respectfully submitted, Bill Kilgore, Secretary

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