

**Minutes for the  
Spring Meeting of the Mount Hermon Community**  
Thursday, April 30, 2015 at 7:00pm, Newton Memorial

The President, Reggie Coates, opened the meeting at 7:00pm with a welcome and introduction of Vice-President, Gordon Kvamme who opened in prayer. Due to the resignation of Janet Payne as Secretary, Paul Izor was introduced as appointed Secretary who summarized the Minutes of the Fall, 2014 meeting and thanked Janet Payne on behalf of the Community. The Minutes were approved. The Treasurer, Barbara Grensted, was unable to attend the meeting and Paul Izor recognized and thanked her on behalf of the Community for her 10 year term of service. The Treasurer's report showed that from the previously reported balance of \$462.62, there were 25 deposits from the Christmas Party ticket sales and 10 withdrawals for the graciously subsidized buffet of Mount Hermon Association as well as decorations and supplies by the Community. As of April 30, 2015, the bank balance is \$368.25. There being no questions, the report was approved.

Mount Hermon Community Announcements and Committees

1. Gordon Kvamme recounted experiences with speeding and careless driving and encouraged the Community to adhere to the 15 mph speed limit and to watch out for residents and campers that forget that our roads are a busy place to be walking. He also asked that each of us renew a respect for all the Rules of Mount Hermon Association with emphasis on keeping dogs on leashes at all times and cleaning up.
2. Paul Izor continued with a discussion of the large effort that was given in the recent revision of the Rules and that they are in large part simply emphasizing what is law under the Santa Cruz County Municipal Code. He also reported concerning a meeting that was held with Cruzio representatives about bringing high-speed fiber into Mount Hermon. There has not been a large demand expressed by residents so Cruzio is not inclined to spend the half million dollars needed to bring fiber over from Scotts Valley. Paul continued with a report on both the MHC Website (<http://mounthermoncommunity.com>) and MHC Next Door (<https://mounthermon.nextdoor.com>). He said with NextDoor, we can greet newcomers to the neighborhood and receive information regarding safety and security, or announcements, such as the free disposal days at the transfer station. In discussion with residents, there is still some confusion about Set Up and Settings and Paul offered to make house calls, if requested. Paul reminded people that there is still the email list for communication while the problems get worked out.
3. Reggie Coates invited all to the May 31 Pool Party at Redwood Camp, to enjoy a community and family time on the meadow and make new friends. Also, he reiterated that Neighborhood Watch is very active in the Glen Alpine area with non-residents coming into Mount Hermon from the quarry area and causing problems. The Sheriff non-emergency number should be used to report any activity or situation of concern.

4. Felton Fire Protection District Chief, Ron Rickabaugh entertained us with humor and his story of joining the force years ago along with his rise up the ranks. With a volunteer force of only 35 personnel, FFPD is doing a meritorious job of responding to medical situations and fires. The Chief brought printed materials for us and stressed the heightened need for clearing weeds and fire protection. We thank them all for their faithful service.
5. Bill Fernald, Guest Services Director at Mount Hermon Association presented the Summer Registration program that all residents should have received in the mail. New and better programs are being offered compared to previous years as Mount Hermon complies with California camping regulations addressing youth safety. All residents are highly encouraged to get the FREE summer badge and even upgrade to the full package of paid benefits.
6. Dale Pollock, Mount Hermon's Engineer in charge of the water system, highlighted the new California regulations concerning mandatory conservation and use restrictions. For now, our water supply seems stable but conservation will ensure that, in the coming years of drought.
7. Mark Lilley, Facilities Manager, reported on efforts to prioritize the many roads, trails and bridges projects that are pending within Mount Hermon. Gordon Kvamme and Paul Izor continue to work with him as a committee and residents are encouraged to contact them regarding suggestions and concerns.
8. Nate Pfeffercorn, Adventure Staff Manager updated the status of the Felton Meadow project and the efforts to satisfy the County planners concerns. He addressed a question concerning the Christian missional purpose of such a facility and the benefits to the larger SLV community. While maintaining strong Christian principles, they have a new philosophy for the Felton Meadow of not being as overt about it. The greater SLV residents will be excited to come experience the Community Garden, Day camp, and Bike Facility that are all planned.
9. President Reggie Coates announced the nominations of Paul Izor as Secretary and Cheri Andrews as Treasurer and called for a vote to confirm them into their positions. A question from a resident asked concerning the nomination process and if there were other nominees. Nominations were opened to anyone interested as announced at the Fall 2014 meeting. No one expressed any interest and Reggie had to recruit the current nominees. The nominees were thereupon confirmed by unanimous voice vote.

There being no New Business to address, the meeting was closed in prayer by Vice-President Gordon Kvamme and President Reggie Coates adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Izor  
Secretary,  
Mount Hermon Community