

HOMEWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

Newsletter

September 22, 2014

The Annual meeting took place over the Labor Day weekend. The Draft minutes are on the website .

About a year ago Dave Powell said to the board that he preferred that this would be his last year, and true to his word, after the close of the annual meeting Dave solicited volunteers to take over. I volunteered, so Dave stepped down as president. The board held an election and I would like to introduce myself to you as your new Homewood HOA President.

My name is Allen Sayles; our home is 5020 Sacramento Avenue, between Trout and Silver. I am the newest member of the board. While I have only been on the board a few years, I have been a fixture at Homewood since I was 5 years old and now claim to be a "senior citizen". During high school I was able to convince my parents that Herb and Jake depended on me and I spent 3 summers pumping gas at Obexer's. Much later as a Homewood Mountain Ski Patroller I came to know the in's and out of the mountain resort and it was there that I met Dave Powell, my neighbor. My wife, Kerri, is my right hand and we have 3 adult sons. Jay, Spencer and Matt that share the same love of Homewood we all do. Jay serves on the Beach Parcel committee. I'd like to thank my mom and dad, Elda and Jim Sayles who purchased our lot in 1960, for bringing me to this point.

My goal today is to let you know about the change in administration of your HOA and to thank Dave and Ted for their dedication to the Homewood HOA. Ted Grebitus has retired after many years of service. I will miss Ted on the board. I am happy to announce Dave has agreed to continue on as a board member through the remainder of his term.

Thanks to Dave and the HOA Board we have been left in fine shape. We are not fighting any developments; we are financially strong and ready for whatever comes next. I hope I can say the same when it's my turn to say good-bye.

The turnout at the annual meeting was lighter than in the past, which usually means things are going well. Here is a brief summary if you were elsewhere. We entered into an agreement with Cal Trans for two drainage easements across the street ends at Oak and Silver. These will handle the treated runoff from the realignment work starting in 2015. We were paid for these two 10 ft wide easements. A representative from Tahoe City PUD gave an update on the bike trail project. Construction of the trail will take place after the highway work is completed. This is not expected until 2016. Anne's bear report included good news for Homewood. Thanks to all your concerted efforts Homewood has enjoyed a bear free summer. Judy with FOTWS spoke about the County General Plan Update. Homewood was spared any drastic changes to our density and housing element, although Tahoe City was hit with a huge density increase including a new 7 story height limit. FOTWS and Sierra Club as well as others are not happy about this. Art Chapman spoke on the current status of the mountain resort. It looks like they have worked through their legal issues with one last 10% reduction in the overall size. We can expect phase 1 to start in the near future.

Dave wants to address the membership and we have agreed to share this newsletter. Look forward to meeting each and every member.

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Dear Members,

First, I would like to recognize your support and suggestions over the last four years. I feel the community has come together nicely. Thank you all!

I will remain on the board until the end of my term in September 2015 to help transition and I remain open to suggestions from you all. I am sure that Allen will carry on the mission of our Association well, and I hope you continue to support him as you've done for me.

Thank You!

Dave Powell