

## SSOA 2008 Annual Meeting Minutes

August 16, 2008

1. 12:35 President Virginia Carpenter welcomed property owners and introduced the members of the SSOA Board of Directors.
2. 12:40 President Virginia Carpenter asked all property owners to review the minutes of the 2007 Annual Meeting, which was included in the owner's packet, and requested any changes or a motion for their approval. The motion for approval was made and the 2007 minutes were approved.
3. 12:45 Treasurer Tom Koch presented the financial report, which was also included in the property owner's packet. The topics presented were:
  - a. Cost of the 2008 clean-up day at \$1,295;
  - b. The SSOA financial status sheet, with a total balance of \$11,678.24;
  - c. And the proposed 2009 annual budget which listed projected income at \$3,900 and projected expenses at \$4,145, which would indicate a loss of \$245 for the year 2009.
4. 12:50 Daniel Kunkel of GivingTreeCare was unable to attend so the only presentation made by a guest was on noxious weeds by Ben Pleimann of Summit County Weed Control. The following items were discussed by Ben:
  - a. The noxious weeds which Ben found within the Silver Shekel Subdivision were Chamomile, Toadflax and Oxeye Daisy. He recommended pulling the plants before they develop seed heads or to use herbicides which do not kill grass to eliminate noxious weeds. The Summit County Weed Control office has numerous publications to aid in the identification of all noxious weeds which can currently be found in Summit County.
  - b. The Summit County Backpack Herbicide Program was discussed. This program allows individuals to pick-up a backpack sprayer containing herbicides mixed specifically for the noxious weeds found on the individual's property for the cost of \$20. The individual may then take the backpack sprayer to his/her property, add water, spray the noxious weeds and then return the empty sprayer to the weed control office.
  - c. Ben discussed the Summit County spraying program which includes spraying along county road right of ways. It was reported that some residents experienced an allergic reaction to the chemicals used in this spraying program and requested that the county notify individuals when spraying was scheduled to occur on roads adjacent to their property. Ben explained the problems in accomplishing this notification as the spraying schedule changes frequently due to various factors not under the control of the weed control office. This problem will remain under study.

- d. It was suggested that a noxious weed reference section be established on the SSOA website. Rich Ferris suggested that individuals access the Summit County website([co.summit.co.us](http://co.summit.co.us)) to obtain information concerning noxious weed control. The SSOA Board of Directors will discuss the possibility of initiating a noxious weed control program in 2009 in sufficient time to allow individuals to eliminate noxious weeds on their property before the weeds develop seed heads.
5. 1:12 Virginia opened a discussion concerning tree spraying and removal of dead trees. Loren Goodheart mentioned there are some grants available to aid individuals in the removal of dead trees. Also, a reference was made concerning the possibly of some State funds being available for reforestation in the wake of the number of trees killed by the pine beetle. These grants, if available, are apparently obtainable by individuals through organizations such as home owner associations. In order to define what funds might be available to individuals through home owner associations, and how those funds may be obtained, it was decided to allow the board of directors to form a committee to investigate the issue and make recommendations. Also, it was stated that Xcel will trim tree limbs which are in danger of falling on their power lines, but normally will not remove trees which are on their utility easement.
6. 1:35 An election was held to replace the three outgoing members of the SSOA Board of Directors. Loren Goodheart and David Gray have completed their three year tenure as board members and Don Janes is in the process of selling his home and moving from the subdivision. The election resulted in both Loren Goodheart and David Gray being re-elected to new three year terms and Wayne Randall, who resides on the third filing, being elected to a new three year term. (Note – the status of the current eleven members of the SSOA Board of Directors is as follows: beginning their first year of a three year term on the board are Loren Goodheart, David Gray and Wayne Randall; beginning their second year of a three year term on the board are Michael Joannides, Molly Lee, Norman Prince and Ken Taylor; beginning their third and final year of a three year term on the board are Darrel Baker, Virginia Carpenter, Eric Degerberg and Tom Koch.)
7. 1:38 Considerable concern was expressed relating to the tremendous increase in turning traffic at the intersection of Hwy 9 and Fairview Blvd. This has occurred since the opening of the new Breckenridge Building Center Store, which is in the Northwest quadrant of the commercial property served by this intersection. The intersection is in desperate need of a traffic light to control traffic before a serious or fatal accident occurs. Virginia placed calls to various governmental agencies and all were extremely vague concerning when a traffic light will be installed. Virginia will send Silver Shekel Property Owners the names and contact information of officials who need to be contacted in order to influence the situation. The larger the number of owners who contact these officials and express their displeasure with the situation, the more likely a traffic light will be installed in a timely manner. A question arose concerning dual occupancy of homes within the subdivision. It was explained dual occupancy is allowed as long as the property owner met the Summit County code requirements allowing dual occupancy. Property owners were instructed to contact Summit County Planning if they have a question in this area of concern.
8. 1:46 The motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.