

January 26, 2006- Meeting Minutes for Golden West Community Services District
Held at El Dorado Community Church, 4701 Church Street, El Dorado

The meeting was called to order at 7:00. Directors Chuck Roati, Ken Beam, Rae Gamble, Barbara Lea and Mike Willis were present. General Manager Al Sanford and Secretary Pat McClintock were also present.

The minutes of December 15 were approved by a vote of 5-0.

Gamble gave the Treasurer's report. The District has a negative balance of \$54,360. Payment of \$34.01 to the Registrar of Voters was approved.

Sanford reported that the striping on Crystal and stop bars on Galena, Oak Ridge South and North were completed. All of the District's dots were used up, but there are still glass beads and some old, probably unusable, paint left. Sanford also has one valve box.

Beam has asked several residents about permits. One driveway is causing water to leak under the road; he is unsure if it is being caused by EID work, the resident, or a spring. A culvert extension is being installed at the corner of Barite and Crystal. There are continuing drainage issues on Crystal.

Beam has improved the readability of the District sign.

Roati gave a report on the work done in the past year, up to the striping done in January 2006. He explained how the increase in the cost of fuel was a major factor in the higher maintenance costs in 2005. Roati feels that the highest priority for work in 2006 should be Mica and the Fire Road, including a decision on the gates. Proposals included asking Cal Trans to berm the road, upgrading the gates in conjunction with Mr. Regelbrugger, and opening the road to through traffic. Lea suggested asking CDF for camera surveillance to find out who is cutting the locks. Roati asked that the next priority be Oak Ridge Circle South, and third, work on Dolomite. It was noted the any work will have to be done with material the District already has.

Roati stated the District is seriously underfunded. Since the El Dorado Grand Jury noted this in 2002, costs have doubled. There was one unsuccessful attempt to raise the assessment that cost \$1800. He suggested polling residents about what would be an acceptable increase. The directors must make residents aware of the consequences of continuing deterioration of the roads, and find alternatives for getting work done. Another ballot measure would have to be submitted to the Elections department by May.

Beam brought up the fact the directors never had a closed meeting to discuss his issues with the completed roadwork. Scheduling the meeting was tabled at the September board meeting, and will be added to the February agenda.

Lea reported on a meeting of the El Dorado Fire Safety Council. Al Sanford also attended the meeting. Amador, Placer and El Dorado counties were involved. Golden West is part of the Logtown area that goes from Ore Court to Post Road, and east to Union Mine. She would like Golden West to participate in an effort to create a book that will assist fire and sheriff's personnel in case of any type of emergency. There is also the possibility of funding through the group for fire abatement work.

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Roati questioned the directors regarding changing offices for 2006. Beam does not want to serve as Road Manager this year. Lea will take over that position, and Beam will assist her. There were no other changes.

There was no report from the Records Committee. A date will be set to move the donated filing cabinet into the storage area as soon as possible.

Volunteers are still needed for tree trimming and patching on Dolomite. A resident from Barite added her name to the volunteer list.

Phil Miller asked that a letter he sent to Directors be noted as received. A copy was submitted for the minutes. McClintock brought up the proposed widening of Hwy. 49 that will affect Ore Court. Ed Stanton commended the directors for completing the striping on Crystal.

Beam would like the agenda sent by email, and signs on the turnouts. Phil Miller will make the signs for the district at a discount.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20.

2006 Meeting Schedule

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March 23
April 20
May 18
June 29
July 27
August 24
September 21
October 19
November 30
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