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# Replacing Trees on Irena

The Camarillo Springs Common Area Association (CSCAA) recently replaced all of the Liquid Amber trees (considered a safety hazard) in the median on Irena. This was a major undertaking as these photos by Lorraine Villarreal clearly show.





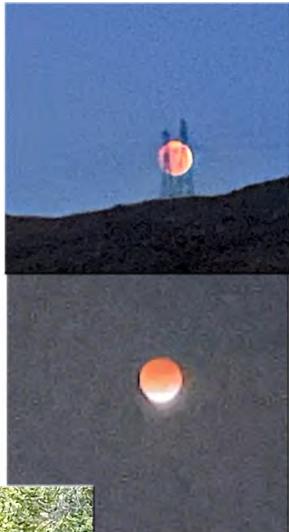


#### **Mark the Date**

Monday, June 20, 9:30am ~ Ticket Sales for 4th of July Party begin



Lorraine
Villarreal took
these photos
during the recent
lunar eclipse.
Photo at left
is just prior to
the start of the
eclipse. Other
two are the Red
Moon during the
eclipse.





Lisa Clark captured this photo of a pair of foxes who are frequent visitors

#### Water. Our Most Precious Resource

### "Don't Let Life Slip Down The Drain"

What are YOU doing to preserve water?? Have you come up with any innovative, or even not so innovative yet effective, methods to conserve? Our Springs Board of Directors would like to share ideas from residents, no matter how small (since every drop counts). Please email Robbie at jonrobdor@gmail. com so we can include your ideas in future newsletters. If you have photos, please send in .jpg format to the same email.

Thanks in advance for the dozens of submissions I'm sure you'll be sending!

### The Springs Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

#### Seeking Volunteers

The Springs CERT is continuously seeking Springers who are willing to join our team. Ideally, we'd like those who wish to attend formal CERT training through the Ventura County Fire Department. There is also a need for those who don't wish to make that commitment who might be willing to assist your neighbors as a CERT Neighbor Leader. Over time we've lost members through attrition (moving, illness, simply aging or simply a lifestyle change).

If interested, please contact Robbie Dornick at jonrobdor@gmail.com or Lorraine Villarreal at lorivilla@gmail.com.

## The Springs Social Committee

#### Seeking Volunteers

The Springs Social Committee is also seeking Springers to help with our various social events throughout the year. Some events, such as the 4th of July party, require more volunteers than we have members. Shocking though it may be, some of us are getting older and less physically able so we are in particular need of some of our younger residents. Working the events is fun and provides an opportunity to meet new people. WE NEED YOU!

If interested, please contact Judy Krieger at ourford38truck@aol.com.

# The Springs Homeowners Association Financial Report for April, 2022

| 1  | 1 /   |
|--|---|
| Beginning Operating Balance  | \$88,522.13   |
| Cash Receipts  | \$64,853.89   |
| Reserve Trans from Operating   | \$<18,750.00>   |
| Cash Disbursements   | \$<59,526.06>   |
| Transfers/Misc.  | \$<4,260.28>  |
| Interest Earned  | \$1.08  |
| Ending Operating Balance   | \$70,840.76   |
| Beginning Reserve Balance Reserve Trans from Operating Cash Disbursements Transfer/Misc Interest Earned Ending Reserve Balance Reserve Liability | \$1,082,144.52<br>\$18,750.00<br>\$<18.25><br>\$0<br>\$118.77<br>\$1,100,955.04<br>\$<1,100,955.04> |
| Reserve Overage or Shortage  | \$0   |
|  |   |

# THE SPRINGS HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors Meeting March 14, 2022, 3:00 PM Clubhouse

#### **REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER Ron Kester called the meeting to order by Ron Kester at 3:00 pm. He opened the meeting by thanking the Social Committee for providing refreshments for the meeting.

#### 2. ROLL CALL

| Ron Kester      | President      | Present |
|-----------------|----------------|---------|
| John Gardner    | Vice-President | Present |
| Barry Gilbert   | CFO            | Present |
| Jack Sheehan    | Director       | Present |
| Stephanie Kroll | Secretary      | Present |
|                 |                |         |

Malisa KundinOn-Site ManagerPresentSheldon ChavinCommunity Property ManagementPresentSydney CattonCommunity Property ManagementPresent

- 3. **EXECUTIVE SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT**: Ron Kester reported that the Board discussed legal and contractual matters at the executive session meeting on January 10, 2022.
- 4. MOTION CONSENT CALENDAR: On a motion made by Jack Sheehan, and seconded by Stephanie Kroll, the Board accepted items A-C of the consent calendar. The motion passed 5/0. (Ron Kester-Yes, John Gardner-Yes, Barry Gilbert-Yes, Jack Sheehan-Yes, and Stephanie Kroll, Yes)
  - A. Approval of Regular Minutes from January 10, 2022 Approved as part of the consent calendar.
  - B. Treasurer's Report for the Period of October, January & February 2022

The Board of Directors has reviewed monthly for the operating and reserve accounts, the bank statements and reconciliations, current year's actual income and expenses compared to the current year's budget, check registers, general ledger and delinquent assessment receivable report.

The Board of Directors approves future monthly expenditures by CPM on behalf of the Association, of \$10,000 or more from either the operating or reserve account to pay, based upon the Association's approved budget, Board-approved contracts calling for monthly or progress payments and any other expenditures as required for the Association to operate.

|                          | Operating Fund | Reserve Fund   | <u>Total</u>   |
|--------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| January Ending Balance:  | \$86,108.22    | \$1,048,315.75 | \$1,134,423.97 |
| February Ending Balance: | \$71,693.87    | \$1,063,302.86 | \$1,134,996.73 |

Barry Gilbert reported that the Operating Fund balance is over \$71,000 and Reserve Fund is over \$1 million. The Balance, as of the February Financials was \$1,134,996.73. He reported that "we are in good shape for the shape we are in"; homeowners dues are \$250 per month as they have been for the last 6 years, and that delinquencies are negligible if not non-existent.

Barry Gilbert also reported that the annual Audit report has been received, and that they gave a clean opinion after reviewing the financial statements of December 31, 2021.

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Barry Gilbert thanked the Board, past and present for their hard work on maintain the associations financials, assets, and maintenance. He reminded those present that after the fire and debris flows, the Association was nearly bankrupt. We are, happily, now over 100% funded in our Reserve Account and home values are rising, currently selling at over \$800,000.

#### Expenses Exceeding \$10,000 12/31/2021 -3/1/2022: Approved as part of the consent calendar.

- Check #404654, Frontier, Cable TV \$14,496.09
- Check #404671, Frontier, Clubhouse Cable \$14,499.55
- January Transfer from operating to reserves \$18,750.00
- February Transfer from operating to reserves \$18,750.00

#### Future Expenses Exceeding \$10,000: Approved as part of the consent calendar.

- March Transfer from operating to reserves \$18,750.00
- April Transfer from operating to reserves \$18,750.00
- **C. Manager's Report:** Approved as part of the consent calendar.
  - 1. Repair and Maintenance Report
  - 2. Escrow Report:
    - a. Closed: 6309 Gitana Ave. (02/4/22)
  - 3. Phone Log
  - 4. Delinquent Report

#### 5. OLD BUSINESS

A. Clubhouse Stair & Monument Repair Bids: On a motion by John Gardner, and seconded by Stephanie Kroll, the Board moved to approve a price not to exceed \$65,000 for the replacement of the Clubhouse stairs, 2 Springs Monuments, and landscaping of those areas. After some discussion, John Gardner modified his proposal of same at a cost not to exceed \$60,000 to be paid from Reserves. The motion was seconded by Barry Gilbert was approved 5/0. (Ron Kester-Yes, John Gardner-Yes, Barry Gilbert-Yes, Jack Sheehan-Yes, and Stephanie Kroll, Yes)

#### 6. **NEW BUSINESS**

<u>Architectural Applications</u> On a motion made by Stephanie Kroll, and seconded by Jack Sheehan, the Architectural applications were approved 5/0. (Ron Kester-Yes, John Gardner-Yes, Barry Gilbert-Yes, Jack Sheehan-Yes, and Stephanie Kroll, Yes)

| 202149b | Hendon, Lynette           | 6022 Gitana           | Tile window boxes                          |  |
|---------|---------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|
| 202201  | Flippen, Mark & Janice    | 6175 Gitana           | Increase height of block wall              |  |
| 202202  | Olahcea, John             | 6008 Gitana           | Landscaping                                |  |
| 202203  | Palmer, Val               | 6439 San Como Ct      | Replace windows                            |  |
| 202204  | Hendon, Lynette           | 6022 Gitana           | Replace roof                               |  |
| 202205  | Olachea, John             | 6008 Gitana           | Install flagpole                           |  |
| 202206  | Whitney-Coleman, Allison  | 6511 Lada             | Install back yard trees                    |  |
| 202208  | Purcell, Chuck/Foley      | 6076 Irena/6062 Irena | Extend hardscape                           |  |
| 202209  | Coon, Vickie              | 6036 Gitana           | Replace driveway/walkway/patio with pavers |  |
| 202210  | Nasta, Joe                | 6445 San Como Ct      | Replace driveway and back deck             |  |
| 202211  | Hargreaves, Rich & Marcia | 6330 Gitana           | Extend fence and pavers, install gate      |  |
| 202212  | Tuttle, David & Phyllis   | 6063 Irena            | Replace slider with french door            |  |
| 202213  | Nottingham, John & Sharon | 6416 San Como Lane    | Install flood lights in back yard          |  |
| 202214  | Hendon, Johnnie           | 6092 Gitana           | Install gate                               |  |
| 202215  | Trujillo, Ramiro & Maria  | 6048 San Como Lane    | Repaint home                               |  |

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- B. Community Cable/Internet Agreement: Ron Kester reported that the agreement with Frontier FiOS for the bulk rate cable and internet ends at the end of 2022. A committee will be formed to analyze the options available with regards to a community bulk contract vs. individual service and report back to the Board. On a motion made by Barry Gilbert, and seconded by Stephanie Kroll, the Board established Jack Sheehan as head the committee. He will fill it out with another Board member as well as homeowner volunteers from the community. The motion passed 5/0. (Ron Kester-Yes, John Gardner-Yes, Barry Gilbert-Yes, Jack Sheehan-Yes, and Stephanie Kroll, Yes)
- C. Weed Abatement Bid from R.A. Atmore: On a motion made by Barry Gilbert, and seconded by Jack Sheehan, the Board approved the proposal of RA Atmore for the weed abatement of 150 feet for \$11,664 to be paid from the operating account and completed prior to June 1, 2022. The motion passed 5/0. (Ron Kester-Yes, John Gardner-Yes, Barry Gilbert-Yes, Jack Sheehan-Yes, and Stephanie Kroll, Yes)
- <u>D.</u> <u>Liquid Ambar Removal Bid from Natural Wonders Trees (\$1,950.00):</u> After some discussion the Board decided not to remove the tree. Landscapers will be alerted to increase cleanup during the 3-month period when the tree drops the balls.
- E. Annual Tree Maintenance Bid from Natural Wonders Trees: On a motion made by Barry Filbert, and seconded by Stephanie Kroll, the Board accepted the proposal from Natural Wonders for the annual tree maintenance for \$15,140.00 to be paid from the Operating account or the Reserve account. The motion passed 5/0. (Ron Kester-Yes, John Gardner-Yes, Barry Gilbert-Yes, Jack Sheehan-Yes, and Stephanie Kroll, Yes)
- **F. GPM Street Resealing:** Sealcoat and striping of Paquita, Belleza, Itamo, Fino, and Lada is due. This work will be done April 11, 2022-April 13, 2022. GPM will post notices and information will be sent out via email.

(Note: Barry Gilbert had to leave the meeting at 4pm.)

#### G. Updates:

- 1. Committee Reports
  - a. Ratification of members for the Architectural Committee- John Gardner reviewed recent changes to the Architectural Committee and was delighted to introduce 4 proposed members to be appointed to the Committee. Several homeowners applied. Member selection from all of those interested in serving on the Committee was chosen by the homeowner's tenure in The Springs. In addition to their personal experience, they all have great looking homes.
    - i. Andy Cromer- (2017) with 34 years' experience with Los Angeles Building and Safety.
    - ii. Gail Edwards- (2012) with experience in residential real estate, and manager at a Fortune 500 company.
    - iii. Ed Niedzwiecki- (2012) with 40+ years in construction and maintenance and educational background in landscape and architecture.
    - iv. Susan Spann- (2013) with experience in public utility work as well as managing yard and garden plans.

Additionally, John Gardner noted that this committee would be conducting a review of the current rules and will be scheduling a community wide review in May. Those homeowners that received courtesy notices following the last review will be contacted in advance of that review expressing the hope that the committee will find those items addressed.

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On a motion made by John Gardner, and seconded by Jack Sheehan, the board approved the 4 members of the Architectural Committee. The motion passed 4/0. (Ron Kester-Yes, John Gardner-Yes, Barry Gilbert-Absent, Jack Sheehan-Yes, and Stephanie Kroll, Yes)

- b. Stu Krieger, Clubhouse Chairperson, reported that the handheld showers in the restrooms have been removed, and flow restricting devices have been installed on the static showerheads to hopefully mitigate the water that has been seen running out of the shower areas into the walkway in the restroom.
- c. Jean McNair, Common Area Representative, reported that the Common Area approved the removal of 25 Liquidambar trees from the center median of Irena. Those trees will ultimately be replaced with white, red, and pink Crepe Myrtles, and irrigation will be addressed. Further landscaping of the median will not occur until the budgeting for 2023 is completed.
- d. Judy Krieger, Social Committee Chairperson, reported that the Social Committee would be meeting soon to discuss future events. The first of those, possibly being the 4<sup>th</sup> of July party.
- 2. Community Questions and Issues (limited to 3 minutes per person) Items discussed were the better use of the microphones at the meeting and status of hiring a handyman.
- 3. Ron Kester announced that normal activity Is reinstated at the Clubhouse. All activity, social events, band night, and private parties may resume without masking requirements. Masks at the Clubhouse are no longer required regardless of vaccination status. Those that feel more comfortable wearing masks should feel free to do so.
- 7. **NEXT MEETING/ADJOURN**: On a motion made by John Gardner, and seconded by Jack Sheehan, the Board adjourned to Executive session at 4:18pm. The motion passed 4/0. (Ron Kester-Yes, John Gardner-Yes, Barry Gilbert-Absent, Jack Sheehan-Yes, and Stephanie Kroll, Yes) The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 9, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. at the Clubhouse.

#### Rules of Decorum

- 1. 3-minute per speaker time limit during Public Open Forum portion of Board Meeting.
- 2. 60-minute maximum time allowed at Public Open Forum at Board Meetings.
- 3. Speaker must observe rules of decorum and not engage in disruptive behavior.
- 4. If a speaker is in the middle of a sentence when time is called, he/she may finish their thought before sitting down.
- 5. Speakers will sign in before the Board Meeting starts and may not allot their time to others.
- 6. A director or manager may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed.
- 7. No audio or video recording is allowed by attendees.
- 8. The secretary may record the meeting to aid in the preparation of minutes, however the recording will be deleted once the minutes have been prepared.
- 9. As provided in the "Open Meeting Act", members may observe the meeting but do not have the right to participate in the Board's deliberations or votes.
- 10. Members may address issues during the Public Open Forum portion of the meeting.
- 11. If attendees become disruptive, they may be expelled from the meeting and/or fined.
- 12. Disruptive behavior includes interrupting a homeowner speaking during the Public Open Forum or a Board Member speaking during the Board Meeting.
- 13. These meeting rules will be attached to every future Board Meeting.



# **Birthdays**

| Herman Blank     | 1  | Bronx, NY          |
|------------------|----|--------------------|
| Betty Metzger    | 5  | Indianapolis, IN   |
| Sally Shore      | 6  | Cleveland, OH      |
| David Larkin     | 7  | London, England    |
| Louise Purpura   | 8  | Detroit, MI        |
| Bob Kelly        | 9  | Hollywood, CA      |
| Harold Baker     | 10 | Ottawa, Canada     |
| Joanne Blaney    | 14 | St Paul, MN        |
| Judy Krieger     | 14 | Los Angeles, CA    |
| Lucienne Scarbro | 14 | Casablanca, Monoco |
| George Mayhew    | 17 | Downey, CA         |
| Jan Thornton     | 18 | Glendale, CA       |
| Patricia Carney  | 19 | Phoenix, AZ        |
| Carole Dunlop    | 19 | Toledo, OH         |
| John Wenger      | 27 | Milwaukee, WI      |
| Theresa Heyes    | 28 | Chicago, IL        |
|                  |    |                    |



# **Anniversaries**

| John & Doris Thompson | 6  | Granada Hills, CA  |
|-----------------------|----|--------------------|
| 23 years              |    |                    |
| Stu & Judy Krieger    | 11 | Hollywood, CA      |
| 62 years              |    |                    |
| Steve & Sonja West    | 13 | Simi Valley, CA    |
| 7 years               |    |                    |
| Paul & Ann Eisler     | 14 | Studio City, CA    |
| 58 years              |    |                    |
| Ken & Patty Ford      | 24 | Ventura, CA        |
| 11 years              |    |                    |
| Richard & Kathy Buck  | 28 | Portola Valley, CA |
| 54 years              |    |                    |
| Sam & Pat Bernstein   | 29 | Los Angeles, CA    |
| 65 years              |    |                    |
|                       |    |                    |

Note: If your birthday/anniversary information is incorrect or incomplete, please contact Malisa in the clubhouse office to have it corrected.

## 4th of July Party

This is our largest event of the year because there is seating both outside around the pool and inside. This is the first one we've had since 2019 and will be catered by Red's BBQ and Grillery in Simi Valley. See flyer which has been delivered both at your home and electronically for details.

Sign-ups begin Monday, June 20 at 9:30am.

#### **VC ALERT**

Everyone in The Springs should register with VC Alert in order to receive emergency notifications.

Register online at *vcalert.org* or by calling (805) 648-9283.

### THE SPRINGS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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| June 2022  |   |   |  |  |   |   |
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