



Crystal Lakes

Road and Recreation Association

CLRRA Board of Directors E-Newsletter
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President's Report

We all are anxious to enjoy our mountain with the coming of spring and summer, but please be mindful of the 6 foot distancing and the recommendation to wear masks when you are fishing or elsewhere in the community. We hope to open the office on Memorial weekend, but health department requirements will have made many changes to our operations. There will be a single point of entry for one person with a separate entry and masks will be required. The May Board meeting will be on Zoom, please watch for the link in an upcoming view. We are not sure what will happen with the annual meeting in June; 50 owners have to be in attendance at a minimum whether it is in-person or held virtually. In order for the County Health Department to reduce restrictions we need to follow their rules. If you are not feeling well or have a fever please stay home or in your cabin, follow the distancing and mask requirements. They will be monitoring locations of cases and if we show increases, they may very well shut us down further.

Election

Thank you to all who joined the virtual meet and greet, in the next event please email questions for the candidates to respond to clelection@gmail.com by May 5th. We are including the attorney's memo regarding an incident he handled regarding one of the candidates:

It has come to the Board's attention that a former Board Member has once again taken to social media to falsely state that the Board had forced him to resign last year. In fact, the resignation that was submitted by the former Board Member states that the former Board Member was resigning for personal reasons. In addition to this, the resignation letter states that the Board has agreed to not pursue damage or proceed with any action concerning actions taken by the former Board Member during their tenure on the road and rec board of directors.

The Board has remained silent throughout the repeated instances that this former Board Member has taken to social media to disparage the Board. The Association is at its best when its members are engaged and active within both community and at Board meetings. Every owner has the right to voice their opinions and we encourage those opinions to be voiced even when the Board may disagree with such opinions. However, the Board will not stand by and allow members to make false accusations. The Board did not force any individual to resign. There is a process for removal of a director in the Association's Bylaws. No such action was ever initiated by the Board. When the resignation was received, the Board did agree not to pursue civil or criminal action against the Board Member for any actions or damages the Board Member may or may not have caused to the Association during the time the former Board Member was on the Board.

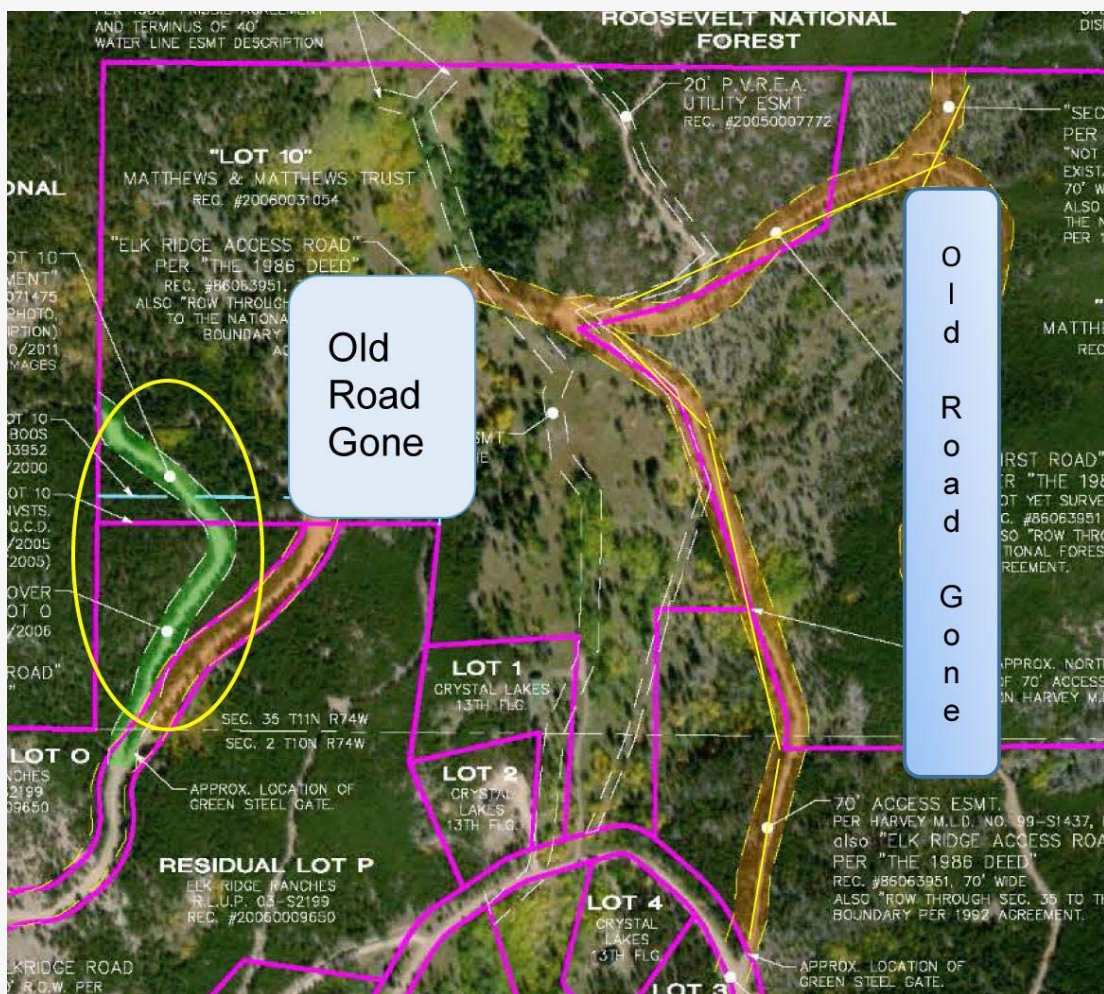
The Board regrets having to address the false statements, but felt that since we are approaching election season and the misstatements continue to be posted and spread throughout the community the Board had no option but to respond with the actual facts of the resignation letter.

Jeffrey B. Smith
Altitude Law

Bear Gulch

We are thrilled to announce that the Bear Gulch trail is now open to hiking, biking, and equestrian use, despite the postings and gate on

Osage. We are arranging for a meets and bounds survey as required by the court. The court ruling indicated that we did indeed have "Prescriptive Use" which was verified by our many owners testifying about their use and the numerous contracts. The trail is 60-70 wide with the only access on Osage Trail. Please do not wander off of the trail as the remainder of the property is private. A detailed map is linked here, please keep in mind that only the east branch of the trail which formally connected to Forest Service Road 195 is valid. Our next phase in this 4 year saga is to go back to the Forest Service and request that they open our access to ATV and other OHV access. The Forest service has a copy of the ruling and has responded that it will be the end of May before they get on site to review this. Bear Gulch Trail and the new forest access are highlighted with yellow.



Trash, Fishing, Speeding, Vandalism and Security

Our trash compacter continues to break down due to misuse which affects all owners and costs lots of extra money to all of us to repair. Our outdoor restrooms are used for trash disposal along with miscellaneous debris like clothing and shoes. These items

have required that we find an outside vendor to clean these units at additional cost. Illegal visitors is a difficult problem to monitor but if you see a vehicle without a membership sticker please report it to the office ASAP with identifying information. Speeding is a big safety problem in our community both for vehicles and ATVs including under aged drivers. If you see these violations please contact the office ASAP, take a photo if you can, get description, and get a license plate number. Fishing violations and speeding both will have increased monitoring with staff and Code 4 this summer. Code 4 will provide strict enforcement this summer. Please remember that we all pay equally to enjoy our beautiful community, and these violations impact all of us. These violations are in our CCRs, Policies, and Bylaws to protect all of us and if someone chooses to violate these, the fines will be enforced.

Short-Term Rentals

Short-Term Rentals will not be allowed until May 31st and maybe longer pending County Health Department guidelines.
