Persimmon Hill Board Meeting Minutes November 9, 2023

All Approved actions were unanimous unless otherwise indicated

- 1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Darrell Ralston at 6:00 pm
 - a.) Board members present: Darrell Ralston, Petter Romming, Dean Wigger Clay Creasey, and Stephanie Gustavson
- 2. Reviewed minutes of September board meeting: Approved by board
- 3. Reports / initiatives:
- a. Treasurer's Report (Clay Creasy):
 - i. No major expense surprises for the year-to-date through September ii. The board approved the 2024 draft budget. Operating expenses are projected to be \$47,675 and reserve expenses are \$50,885. Member dues will be increased to \$160 per month, starting in January. Approval of the draft 2024 reserve report was held in abeyance, pending further discussion on this topic at the January board meeting.
- b. Architectural Committee (Troy Becker)
 - i. 380 Longhorn: The construction fencing is still up and nothing new to report on the start date from the project manager.
 - ii. 481 Saddle: ADU is still in the planning stage.
 - iii. 400 Buckboard: Project nearing completion.
 - iv. South entrance landscaping project: Removal of Pine trees on Saddle lane and Creek road entrance is being estimated and notification and permission sought from Cookie.
- c. Fire Safe Council initiative (Petter Romming)
 - i. Petter reported that the applications have been submitted to the USDA Wildlife Defense by Chris Densch of the Fire Safe Council.

 Another application will be submitted for a grant from CAL Fire in early January. The Ventura County Fire Department did a drive by and site review and determined that we are not in a high fire zone, and a new manager coming in 2024 Larry Williams, fire prevention supervisor. Recommendations to remove overgrown landscaping, clear within 5 feet of structures & remove mulch

- d. Rules and Regulations / FAQ's (Clay Creasy)
 - i. Darrell Ralston made a motion to approve the draft of the rules and regulations, and Dean Wigger seconded the motion. All present were in favor.
- 4. Next meeting is scheduled for January 18 at 6pm in the Ojai library.
- 5. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.