

# THE RETREAT RUNDOWN

Official Newsletter of the Retreat Landowners  
Association



## Vice President's Message

BY RACHEL BALDUZZI

Greetings Fellow RLA Members,  
As 2020 closes and a new year begins, Glen Haven residents have proven again that they are not only resilient but filled with hope and a tenacity that transcends times of struggle. We, the HOA Board, sincerely hope that the holidays brought peace and a respite from the challenges that last year tossed our way and again want you to know that we are here for any questions or concerns you may have about your properties going forward into 2021.

Moving forward is always easier when you have the support of those around you and this community consistently proves that our strength lies in our willingness to help one another, and the connectedness we feel as residents of The Retreat. May you all feel that connectedness in the coming months and know we are all in this together, here's to 2021!

Rachel Balduzzi  
Board Vice President



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# December 3rd 2020 Meeting Minutes

## RETREAT BOARD MEETING AGENDA

December 3, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Virtual via Zoom

Board Members: Kent Mills, Rachel Balduzzi, Bunny Beers, Kristen Berg, Ron Spurlin, and Katie Phillips were in attendance.

6:15 p.m. Call to order

Adopt Agenda – It was moved and seconded to approve the agenda as presented.

Approval of October 12, 2020 Minutes – It was moved and seconded to approve the October 12, 2020 meeting minutes.

Board Member Comments – The Board discussed excess membership fees collected and returning funds back to the membership. Additional discussion was heard regarding donating the funds to the Glen Haven Fire Department and hydroseeding easements along burned areas in The Retreat.

Landowner Comments – Paul Besson requested an update on the status of a revote on the amendment to prohibit short-term rentals in The Retreat. To which President Mills stated the Board is in discussion with Legal counsel on bringing the issue forward for a vote prior to the annual meeting. More information would be distributed to the membership when determined.

### Reports:

a. Treasurer – None.

b. Architectural Control Committee – None.

c. Roads Committee – A brief discussion ensued regarding the recent road blockage and contact which was made with contractors. The Board discussed the Roads Committee request for additional/updated “Private Road” signage outlined in the report. Discussion ensued regarding enforcement and cost. It was determined not to allocate funds towards signage.

d. Environmental (no report) – There are two individuals which have shown interest.

e. Newsletter Editor – To be distributed at the end of 2020, beginning of 2021.

f. Nominating Committee – None.

### Unfinished Business:

a. Delinquent Membership Issue – A letter was sent in November with no response. No further action would be taken at this time.

b. Slash Chipping– The Board would request additional chipping to occur along roads.

c. Insurance for 2021 – Insurance quotes would increase approximately 16% due to market premiums. The Board approved insurance premiums.

d. Short Term Rental Re-Vote – Discussed during landowner comments.



Meeting minutes continued...

New Business:

- a. Variance Letter from Bennet-Woods – The structure on 31 Sheep Ln was a total loss as a result of the Cameron Peak Fire. The request would approve a travel trailer on the property for use during reconstruction efforts. The Board approved a non-transferrable 2-year variance expiring January 31, 2023.
- b. Meeting with Bruce Brown – Member Bruce Brown was introduced to the Board showing interest in appointment to the vacant seat on the Board. It was moved and seconded to appoint Bruce Brown to the vacant position on the Board.
- c. Letter to All Members about Wood on Dunraven Glade – An email would be distributed and information posted to the website regarding the wood which is available to members for personal use only, not to be sold. The wood would be available for approximately one year.

Miscellaneous Business:

- d. Cindy completed the Directory which is available on the website. Hard copies are available upon request.

Next Meeting Date: The Board approved a tentative date of March 2, 2021 for the next Board meeting via Google Hangouts. Agenda to be determined.

Adjourn: 7:15 p.m.



# Cameron Peak Fire

BY:  
KRISTEN BERG~  
NEWSLETTER EDITOR



We would like to take a moment and acknowledge the residents that have lost their homes or have sustained property damage due to the Cameron Peak Fire. Our hearts ache for your loss, in a year that was already highlighted by more challenges than we thought we could handle. As a board, we are here for you. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to assist you as you rebuild and recover from this tragic event.

On the positive side, we would also like to thank all of our land owners who prepared their properties to be Firewise in the months before the fire approached our beautiful community. Your efforts saved countless properties. In the months and years to come we will continue to request your vigilance to keep up the good work. Lastly, it is hard to find the words to acknowledge the brave men and women who risked their lives to protect the Retreat. GHAVFD and crews from around the country fought for weeks on our behalf. They were estranged from their families, exhausted and stressed beyond normal human capacity. Their efforts are nothing short of heroic. We hope that everyone continues to support and recognize the impact they have had on all of our lives. A very special thanks to all the GHAVFD firefighters who currently reside in the retreat: Kevin Zagorda, Brian Berg, Geoff Elliott, Nick Gooch, Evan Borell, Linda Lambert, Kyle Forbes, Shawn Phillips, Chuck Reynolds and Brian Martens





# MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

A friendly way to get to know each other a bit better

## Meet the Goochs!

Hi! We are Allan and Mary Gooch the older Gooch family. We are on Streamside Dr in the A frame. Allan is a former A&P mechanic. He worked for Goodyear Airship Operations in Pompano Bch and was on the road traveling for 6+ months out of the year. Missing out on the children's activities we knew we needed a life change. We moved here in Oct 1992 from Delray Bch, FL with our 4 children. Allan found his dream home here in the Retreat. He had designed a house very similar to ours when he was in HS. All 4 of our kids graduated from the EPSD. Our oldest daughter has told me how happy she is that she was given this great opportunity to live in such a beautiful place. Our favorite activity is anything that involves our 6 grandchildren.



We would love to feature your family!

Please send a photo & quick blurb about yourselves, where you came from, why you chose to live in the retreat and any other fun facts you'd like to share and you can be the next neighbor we meet.

Send info to:  
[retreatboard@gmail.com](mailto:retreatboard@gmail.com)



# Upcoming Meeting

MARCH 2ND  
6:00 PM

## RLA REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The next regular board meeting will be held on March 2nd at 6:00 p.m. via Google Meets. Please email the board if you would like to attend virtually and we will send the link.

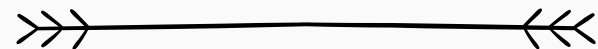
## \$500 Wildfire Grant Opportunity:

Click on this link to access information about applying:

<https://www.nfpa.org/Public-Education/Fire-causes-and-risks/Wildfire/National-Wildfire-Community-Preparedness-Day>

## RETREAT LANDOWNERS CAR DECAL REMINDER:

PLEASE REMEMBER WE ASK ALL RLA MEMBERS TO DISPLAY THEIR VEHICLE STICKERS ON THEIR CAR. THIS ALLOWS US TO IDENTIFY THOSE WHO LIVE WITHIN THE RETREAT AND THOSE THAT DO NOT. IF YOU NEED TO REQUEST ADDITIONAL STICKERS, PLEASE CONTACT THE BOARD OR OUR OFFICE MANAGER, CINDY GRIGGS.



## ANNUAL ASSESSMENT REMINDER

HAVE YOU SENT IN YOUR DUES YET?

Annual Dues: \$300

GHAVFD: \$100



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