Minutes of September 12, 2011 ECIA Road Committee Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM. Present were members - - Nolan Zisman Chairman, Robert Burdette, Laurie Grob, Fred Rasnick and prospective member David Brown. Excused Absence -- Joel Hopko. Unexcused Absences - - Linda Pierce and Dale Knapp. GM Bill Donahue and Board Liaison Ed Moreno were also not in attendance.

The only planned item on the agenda was an open discussion on the role of the ECIA Road Committee in the formation of County Improvement (Special Assessment) Districts (CID) within Eldorado. Points expressed by those present included the following:

- > The Road Committee should be a facilitator in the process. The "process" is to be spelled out in a document prepared by the Road Committee, publicized to the lot owners and housed on the ECIA web site. The existing Q and A will be used as a basis for this document. The document will also contain a petition template that can be used by interested lot owners to progress getting signatures. Once an interested group has been made aware of the process, the Road Committee's role will cease. The subsequent relationships will be between the lot owners and the County.
- > Some unanswered questions were raised. These will be pursued with the County before finalizing the process document. They include:
- 1. What cost estimates are to be used to help potential petitioners make an informed decision as to whether or not to pursue a CID?
- 2. To what extent are owners of lots on dead-end roads served by connecting through roads pursued for improvement to be automatically included in the "district" to be created for those through roads? Are they part of the total against which the 60% requirement is calculated?
 3. What kind of time table can petitioners expect to get a response from the County to their initial petition? From approval of the district to commencement of work?
- > Somewhere in the beginning of the process, the Road Committee may have to provide "coaching" for anyone interested im coming forward as the lead individual in pursuing the formation of a CID. It was thought the best way would be for ECIA to sponsor a community forum at which time County people could come out and help intested lot owners determine the "next steps".
- > In documenting the process we want to make sure we communicate the fact that submission of an application is no guarantee of an approval.
- \rangle The only other possible role for the ECIA would be to assist the County, if requested, to verify that petitioners are bona fide lot owners in Eldorado.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Monday Nov. 7 at 6PM. Nolan may request a road inspection prior to the November meeting depending on weather and County road crew grading activities between now and then.

Respectfully submitted – Laurie Grob