

## Linda Pedersen Resignation Letter

My background serving Timberlake started in 2004 when I was a candidate for one of the three board positions open. The election was won by 3 non-candidates who obtained voting proxies from landowners unbeknown to the entire electorate. Eventually everything started to fall apart financially and internally. I was appointed in Nov. of 2005 and elected in 2006. Elected again in 2009 and 2017. Things were humming along and time to retire in 2020.

### FROM 2005 – 2020

- Revised Bylaws in 2007
- Combined 5 sets of CCRs into 1 set requiring 75% of membership in 2009
- Revised CCRs in 2019
- Resolved over 106 Covenant violations plus 81 Resolved under Steve Wills tenure
- Purchased and paid for John Deere Grader
- Purchased and paid for Ford RH truck
- Purchased and paid for Kubota Tractor
- Renovated interior of 100-year-old Ranch House
- Bath House updated 3 times
- Roofed Ranch House, Bath House and outbuildings, razed porch/poured new foundation & rebuilt porch.
- Acquired 16.2 Acres of Common Land by the lake.
- All 38 miles of Timberlake sideroads graveled and brought 1.1 miles between cattleguard and Fire Station up to county specifications.
- No Lawsuits
- **HOA dues not raised in 15 years.**

I was starting to see serious problems in 2021 with the collapsing of fiduciary responsibility (landowners losing property at delinquent tax auctions) due to failure of liens being filed in timely manner a/o filed on the wrong lots. Fortunately, several lots were saved from auction by contacting the landowners, but three were lost and bought by a realtor a/o associate.

I ran for the Board again in 2022 with the promise not to raise dues.

I took on Director of Accounts July 2022 and along with a volunteer comparing the county records with TRLA records for lot ownership, setting up communications between Title Companies and TRLA Bookkeeper Mary Ray for copies of deeds emailed to TRLA at closing which has helped immensely. It took over 8 months to make it current. There have been no lots on the Cibola & McKinley delinquent tax auction in 2023 and Cibola Co. 2024. McKinley has yet to be scheduled.

Starting April 20<sup>th</sup> at the Board Executive meeting and subsequent flurry of emails following, I began to see similarities with the 2004 election process. I called a Special Board meeting on Sat. 5.18.24 inviting the Elections Committee and 7 Board candidates to try and discuss how the original instructions set forth on the cover sheet of the Annual Meeting /Voting Packet sent out to Members in Good Standing had been changed to include electronic voting and was their fairness to all candidates involved.

I was told that I am the old guard, controversial, not welcome to be one of the two Board member observers at the counting of ballots by the Elections Committee. It was evident that 2004 is now 2024.

It is with a sense of humility and pride that **I end my service as a Board member for a total of 11 years and 8 months as of today 5.22.24.** I proudly say I am part of the old guard that has protected Timberlake through active stewardship. It is time to retire permanently and make peace with my soul- enjoy the simple things like reading a good book, truly appreciate the beauty of Timberlake and the wonderful friends who I love dearly, trust and make me laugh. Leave the drama and aggravation behind. The moral/ethical compass that was instilled in me from my immigrant grandparents, parents, teachers, and mentors throughout my life is not what I observed on Sat.

I sincerely want to thank all those through the 20 years that shared the same vision and worked side by side to preserve this “thin place”.

“Well done, **good and faithful servants**”!

Linda Pedersen