

**RESORT IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #1**  
**SHELTER COVE, HUMBOLDT COUNTY, CALIFORNIA**  
*Electric, Water, Sewer, Fire Protection, Search & Rescue, Airport, Golf Links, Recreation*  
**FEBRUARY 2012 NEWSLETTER**

**FIRE DEPT ASSISTS TECHNICAL RESCUE**

On Saturday evening, January 28<sup>th</sup>, the Fire Department and Southern Humboldt Technical Rescue responded to a call reporting a group of three hikers and two dogs stranded on a bluff above the beach in the vicinity of Point No Pass, just south of Shelter Cove. After evaluating the scene it was determined to be too dangerous to attempt a rescue at night given the victims were not in any immediate danger. The next morning emergency response teams, along with the Sheriff's Dept., coordinated a very successful rescue in what was described as one of the most difficult rescues the crews have performed to date due to steep, slippery terrain and the fact that it was hard to find good anchor points for rescue ropes.

At first light, crews used ATVs, and rescue swimmers used the Fire Department's jet boat, to get to beaches on either side of the rocky point, 100 feet below the hikers.



They shot ropes over the point using a rescue rocket and anchored them to rock outcroppings,

enabling rescuers to ascend up to the hikers and safely assist them down to the beach using a harness and pulley system. For links documenting the incident and more photos please visit the District's website @ [www.sheltercove-ca.gov](http://www.sheltercove-ca.gov) and click on Fire Department under Department Information.

**RECREATION COMMITTEE FORMED**

At the January RID Board meeting, Directors Michael Caldwell and Nanette Corley were appointed to an advisory committee to review and discuss "Community Recreational Opportunities" and funding options with members of the community and report findings to the Board at a future meeting.

The first Committee meeting was held on Tuesday, February 7th in the Sinkyone Room at the Inn of the Lost Coast. If you were unable to attend but have ideas for recreation please contact Michael Caldwell @:

707-986-1389 or cell 530-518-0210

Email [mcldwll@aol.com](mailto:mcldwll@aol.com)

Thanks to all the folks who have already volunteered suggestions.

**Holiday Announcement:**

The District offices will close on Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup> in observance of President's Day.

**COMMENTS**

Your comments are always welcome. Please use your invoice stub to provide feedback to the District regarding matters within its authority.