



The Mission of the Grizzly Flats Fire Safe Council is to preserve Grizzly Flats' natural and manmade resources by informing, educating and mobilizing all residents and landowners to make their homes, properties, neighborhoods and the community fire safe, and to provide area-wide cooperation, innovation and action in an effort to buffer the Grizzly Flats Fire Safe Council's Sphere of Recognition from catastrophic wildfire

Minutes-February 6, 2021 9:30 a.m.-
Telephone Meeting

- 1) Call to order
- 2) Flag Salute- Deputy Todd Crawford
- 3) Roll Call
- 4) Meeting Room Cleanup Volunteers & Timekeeper Volunteer Robin Kelley
- 5) Approval of the February 6, 2021 Agenda Kelly Krohn made a **Motion** to approve the agenda with a second from Kathy Melvin, **Motion** passed.
- 6) Approval of the January 9, 2020 Minutes- Kelly Krohn made a **Motion** to approve the minutes, with a second from Robin Kelley. **Motion** passed.
- 7) Treasurer's Report- Robin Kelley- The treasurer reported receipt of \$100.77 refund for Zoom with a .26 refund from the bank as funds this month with a current bank balance of \$30,641.72.

- 8) Public Comment
(Limited to 3 minutes - only for items not on the agenda)

Eileen Strangfeld stated two more people are interested in helping with the Trestle Trail clean-up. She also asked if there were any more funds allocated in the budget for new signs for the Trestle Trail. States needs an entirely new sign.

Mark Almer states he made the last route sign for the trail.

Robin Kelley advised there are funds available. Mark Almer and Phill Dayton volunteered to make a new sign.

- 9) Council Member Comments
(Limited to 3 minutes - only for items not on the agenda)

Mark Almer announced that Mary Lou Brown has resigned from the Council. Stated the Executive Board will be sending out a Certificate of Appreciation to her. Due to the pandemic, the Council is unable to have a get together at this time. Mary Lou Brown was a founding member of the Grizzly Flats Fire Safe Council and Council Chair for a year in 2004.

Steve Frazier states to remember to keep a clear path to propane tanks and Fire Hydrants.

Phill Dayton stated there are a many new residents to the community. Need an education campaign going for these residents. Also stated should contact Real Estate agents to give them information regarding Grizzly Flats Fire Safe Council.

Mark Almer stated we already have plans regarding this such as a fundraising flyer. Deb Gregory stated this flyer will be posted in an upcoming newsletter after approval as well as the Facebook page and on other neighboring Facebook pages.

10) Agency Reports

A. BOS Reports District 2 Supervisor. – George Turnboo

Not Present

B. Pioneer Fire Protection District –Chief Mark Matthews/Battalion Chief Mike Stutts/ Fire Marshal Kara Garrett

Kara Garrett stated they have an Emergency Response Workshop scheduled for Saturday, March 20th. All the local Fire Safe Councils are invited. Also, multiple agencies are invited as well such as CHP, CalFire, OES, SKLAR, JPA. Currently scheduled for 10am to 12pm but may add another hour depending on how many agencies respond.

Received the map showing where the signs are located for the routes out of the Community. Kara states she will be creating a brochure that includes the map and putting out to the public soon.

Department of Transportation (DOT) – Brian Mullens

Not Present

D. Grizzly Flats Community Service District - Kim Gustafson

Not Present

E. Sheriff – John D’Agostini/Jack Kerruish

Todd Crawford stated OES has been open and running the Covid response for the County. All the testing, vaccines and policies are coming through the Emergency Evacuation Center. Stated due to the lack of vaccine at this time it is still only available for age 75 and older in this County. Have staff and capabilities in place for a large-scale vaccination program when supply is available.

Stated there is a projected start date for the Bucks Bar bridge replacement of possibly April of 2022. They have begun making an evacuation plan while the project is in progress as it will continue through the summer months.

F. El Dorado County Fire Safe Council - Ernie Lory

Ernie states the El Dorado County Fire Safe Council had a meeting on January 20th

The County wide CWPP should be receiving a draft of it by the end of this quarter for our comment. CalFire and the Fire districts should be receiving it in the second quarter, By the 3rd quarter the Board of Supervisors and other departments should receive it for their comments.

CalFire has put together the fire history and maps of the El Dorado County area and this will become part of the CWPP.

CalFire target inspection areas this year in no specific order:

Cameron Park

Starkes Grade and Sly Park Road

Sand Ridge

Motherlode and Highway 49 and the China Hill area

Gold Hill and Lotus Road

Highway 49 in the Cool area

Meyer's South of Highway 50

Advised the county will be doing 450 parcels this year for Vegetation management inspections starting in April. There are two major areas anticipated: Deer Valley/Rescue area as well as Pleasant Valley Road/Hanks Exchange area.

The County is developing an outline for a Five-Year Risk plan for the County.

G. California Highway Patrol – Public Information Officer - Andrew Brown

The California Highway Patrol cars are getting new light bars which include a High/Low Siren. States all new CHP vehicles are equipped with them.

When CHP or Law enforcement plays a High/Low tone in the neighborhood "it's time to go" This is only played for evacuations purposes.

States when riding a motorcycle there are 3 important things to remember, Need an M1 License, a Motorcycle helmet and the motorcycle needs to be licensed/registered.

States there are also California Motorcycle Safety Programs open all over the State.

H. USFS - District Ranger Scot Rogers/Rick Hopson

Not Present

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Not Present

J. Neighboring Fire Safe Councils

1. Aukum/Fairplay

John Hess stated they held an Insurance Webinar that was well attended and will be posted on YouTube soon.

Stated there will be a Webinar on March 31st on Defensible Space regarding Home Hardening and the Vegetation Management

2. Omo Ranch

3. Pleasant Valley

11) **Old Business**

A. Emergency Evacuation Route Signage – Chief Matthews/Mike Stutts – Discussion/ Action Item

B. GFFSC Vacancies – Mark Almer/Ernie Lory- Discussion/Action Item
Mark Almer stated there has been no interest in the current vacancies. If anyone is aware of someone who is interested that can be an active participant have them get in contact with Mark and he will get them signed up to the Call to Meeting.

C. AT&T Phone Issues- Mark Almer/Kelly Krohn/Phill Dayton
Discussion/Action Item

Mark Almer stated that he was in contact with Kelly DeMarco this week and she suggested he contact the newsroom directly.

States the problem obviously continues and he will pursue this further.

D. Capps Crossing Road Issues- Mark Almer Discussion/Action

Phill Dayton stated there are a large number of trees across the road.

Advised Capps is a lot worse than Leoni road.

12) New Business

A. Annual BBQ Fundraiser/Firewise Day- Discussion/Action

Mark Almer stated the event may be changed to as late as September.

David Manske stated may have to rethink what the event will be as this is not just a fundraiser it is also a social event.

Robin Kelley stated one of the ideas that is being considered is a virtual auction. Another idea is a drive by dinner.

13) Committee Reports

A. Public Outreach Coordinator – Deb Gregory

Deb stated she has been trying to get some people involved in the Council. Has new neighbors and a couple of other people she has spoken with.

B. Defensible Space - Steve Frasier/Robin Kelley

Steve Frazier stated if anyone had a property they would like to volunteer to use for training of Defensible space purposes let him know.

C. Grants – Ernie Lory/Kelly Krohn/David Manske

Ernie reported RCD is putting together a package for homeowners including Right of Entry forms on the GF18 Henry's Diggings area Grant.

D. Public Education – Deb Gregory/Kelly Krohn/Molly Irish

E. Fundraising- Kelly Krohn/Robin Kelley/David Manske

Robin Kelley wrote a grant for the NFPA regarding a National Community Wildfire Preparedness Day. Stated will find out the results by March 20th. Stated designed the day as a Community clean up day to clean up 10 feet around propane tanks in all directions at residents' homes.

David Manske stated he contacted Interstate Address Company in Ohio and ordered the signs. Stated should receive the order in the next few days.

Stated there was an error on the part of the company they misheard the name of the City and put on the invoice "Grizzly Bear Flats Fire Safe Council". This has been resolved.

Mark Almer stated they have ordered extra sign blanks that are larger to hold 5 numbers and all of the numbers are now 4 inches to meet the requirements.

14) Public Announcements

None

15) For the Good of the Order

Robin Kelley stated everyone should wear hats for the next meeting just like Phill Dayton.

Rich Englefield stated he is in South West Washington. Has a lot of fog. Advises there are very few street signs in the area, In discussions with the Fire department about getting signs.

16) Adjourn

Steve Hupner made a **Motion** to adjourn with a second from Robin Kelley, Meeting adjourned at 11 :38am

Regular Local Fire Safe Councils and District Meetings:

Grizzly Flats FSC - 1st Saturdays 9:30 AM, Telephone Meeting (Temporary)
Pioneer Fire Protection District - 2nd Tuesdays 6 PM, Station 38
Pleasant Valley FSC - 2nd Thursdays 7 PM - Pleasant Valley Community Hall
Aukum/Fairplay FSC- 3rd Wednesdays 7 PM - Pioneer Park Hall
Omo Ranch FSC - 4th Saturdays 9 AM – Indian Diggings School

Retroactively submitted for electronic storage on July 24, 2022 and the content is fundamentally accurate to the best of my knowledge,



Mark Almer
Chairperson