



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

August 5, 2023, 9:30 a.m.

Meeting Location: Leoni Meadows, Cascade Room

The meeting will be held in the Cascade Room in the main administrative building, directly across from the main entrance doors.

- 1) Call to Order - the meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chairman Mark Almer
- 2) Flag Salute - was led by Roy Rodgers
- 3) Roll Call - roll was taken by Secretary Deirdre Girardi and Second Vice-Chairman David Manske
- 4) Timekeeper Volunteer - Second Vice-Chairman David Manske was timekeeper
- 5) Approval of the August 5, 2023 Agenda - Kelly Krohn moved and Liz Lawless seconded the approval of the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.
- 6) Approval of the July 8, 2023 Minutes - Liz Lawless moved and Kelly Krohn seconded the approval of the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.
- 7) Treasurer's Report – Secretary Deirdre Girardi read the Treasurer's report
  - a. Bank Balance as of July 31, 2023, is \$46,919.78
  - b. All checks have cleared the bank
- 8) Public Comment – Limited to 3 minutes for items not already on the agenda - Chairman Mark Almer welcomed new attendees from the community.
- 9) Council Member Comments – Limited to 3 minutes for items not already on the agenda - Chairman Mark Almer's comments:
  - a. Thank you to Second Vice-Chairman David Manske for leading July's meeting
  - b. The executive board accepted Jennifer Hibbard's resignation and she accepted honorary membership.

- c. Roster updates and requests for any changes to personal information be submitted by Sunday, August 6, 2023.
- d. September's meeting will be via zoom.
- e. Council member, Charlene Ank, asked for a neighbor about tree-cutting regulations. Mark Almer stated that he wasn't aware of any specific regulations about tree cutting on personal property other than CalFire recommends all power tools be used before 10:00 am in order to decrease the likelihood of fires starting from sparks.
- f. Ernie Lory shared that he enjoyed being part of a National Night Out in Camino. He shared the Home Hardening video at this event.

### Agency Reports

- A. BOS District 2 Supervisor – George Turnboo - no present
- B. Pioneer Fire Protection District – PFPD Chief Dave Whitt/Fire Marshal Ken Earle - not present
  - 1. Reporting of overview information from Pioneer Fire Protection District board meeting - David Manske/Robin Kelley - David Manske shared meeting minutes from the July 11, 2023 meeting
    - PFPD Meeting Notes 07-11-23.pdf
  - 2. Information sharing with PFPD about GFFSC projects and events - David Manske/Robin Kelley - this item will be updated at each council meeting as information is provided
- C. El Dorado County Department of Transportation – Dep. Director Maint. Brian Mullens - no present
- D. Grizzly Flats Community Services District – District Manager Kim Gustafson - not present
- E. El Dorado County Sheriff's Office / OES – Deputy Scott Bare/Deputy Greg Almos/Deputy Kristopher Kersmarki were in attendance -
  - a. OES Deputy Greg Almos gave an update on current events pertaining to the El Dorado County Office of Emergency Services (OES).
    - i. OES will have Town Hall meetings; the next meeting will be on August 8th at 5:00 at the Community Room at the El Dorado Sheriff's office, 200 Industrial Drive, Placerville. The purpose of these meetings is for the community to get to know who OES is and address questions from the community.
    - ii. August 19th at 10:00 there will be a dedication ceremony at the El Dorado Sheriff's office, 200 Industrial Drive, Placerville.
    - iii. El Dorado county residents need to make sure they are signed up for the El Dorado County Emergency Alert System that replaced the Code Red. It is recommended that residents subscribe in order to get more specific type of alerts in their area. <https://ready.edso.org/>
    - iv. County Sheriff's office is starting to prepare a local hazard mitigation plan with evacuation routes for each community.

- b. Sheriff Deputy Kersmarki introduced himself as the new resident deputy and that he will be attending all of the Fire Safe Council meetings so that the south county community gets to know him.
- F. El Dorado County Fire Safe Council – Ernie Lory - Ernie Lory shared the following information from the July 19, 2023 El Dorado Fire Safe Council meeting;
  - a. Title 3 funds are available for community chipping and green waste disposal
  - b. El Dorado county Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience will prepare and coordinate with revised CW-CWPP by next year
  - c. OWPR is fully staffed. A mapping tool is being worked on.
  - d. Defensible space development, residential chipping, and hazard tree removal funds available - EDCFSC website for information and on-line application
- G. California Highway Patrol – Public Information Officer Andrew Brown - not present
- H. U.S. Forest Service – Placerville Dist. Ranger Scot Rogers - not present
- I. CAL FIRE, Amador-El Dorado Unit –Battalion Chief Josh Vickers / PIO Wendy Oaks - not present
- J. Neighboring Fire Safe Councils
  - 1. Aukum/Fairplay - no present
  - 2. Omo Ranch - Sheila Triebull provided an overview of the wine signage project and how this fundraiser will raise funds for all of the FSCs.
  - 3. Sand Ridge - not present

## 11) Old Business

- A. GFFSC Vacancies -Mark Almer – Discussion/Action - Mark Almer reported there are still vacancies on the Council and for the members to let their friends and neighbors aware of the opportunity to join the Council and serve the community.
- B. Time Sheet Submittal – David Manske – Discussion/Action- David Manske reminded everyone to turn in their timesheets as soon as possible.
- C. Routes out of the Community Signage - Mark Almer – Discussion/Action - no new information; item will be carried to the next meeting.
- D. Community Clean-Up Day – Craig Heinrich and Robin Kelley – Discussion / Action - Craig Heinrich shared that he is optimistic that this event will go well and feels that all involved are prepared.

## 12) New Business

- A. Topics for the PFPD - David Manske/Robin Kelley- Discussion/Action - David Manske requested topics for discussion at the next PFPD.
- B. Ideas for \$5000 West Slope Foundation Grant - Ernie Lory / David Manske - Discussion/Action - Mark Almer opened up the discussion about brainstorming ideas for the West Slope Foundation Grant. He requested that members think of ideas and submit them to him no later than August 12, before the GFFSC Executive Board meets on August 17.

**13) Committee Reports**

- A. Public Education - Mark Almer / Jennifer Hibbard - nothing to report
- B. Defensible Space – Robin Kelley / Liz Lawless / David Manske / Matt Nunley - nothing to report
- C. Grants – Ernie Lory / David Manske - nothing to report
- D. Fundraising – Robin Kelley / David Manske / Jennifer Hibbard - David Manske reported that one sign has been purchased.
- E. Website – Jennifer Hibbard / Robin Kelley / David Manske - Deirdre Girardi be on the website committee. Kelly Krohn volunteered to help out with the website.

**14) Public Announcements** - no announcements

**15) For the Good of the Order** - none

**16) Adjourn** - Mark Almer called for the meeting to be adjourned at 11:46. Liz Lawless moved and Charlene Ank seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

*Mark Almer*

Chairperson/Secretary Pro-Tem