

# Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council

## Minutes

October 13, 2015

Board members present: Jerry Holldber, Chris Kramer, Larry Kueneman, Doris Lombard, Ron Perry, Marvin Spreyne, Norm Walker

Staff present: Edwina Scott, Pat Boss

Public in attendance: Brian Tisdell, Supervisor Washington's Office

Meeting called to order at 9:30am by Pres. Kramer who welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Dir. Holldber gave the financial report for September.

- After answering all questions, the September Financial Report was filed for audit.
- Check Signers - On occasions the Exec. Dir could not find a second signer for the checks. The board asked Ron to revise the Check Signing Procedure in the MCFSC Policies and Procedures Manual to include a Director as a check signer, in addition to the President, Vice President, Executive Director and Treasurer.

Minutes from the September 2015 meeting were approved.

ED Scott gave the following reports;

a. FEMA/CalEMA roof replacements

90-Total roof replaced as of 9/30/15

5-Received the notice and are in process of replacing their roofs

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b. CaFSC 2014 Grant - Received our final grant installment of \$25,000

- In Sept. Pat worked with 6 owners of 7 properties. Removing hazardous fuels and creating defensible space on 4.47 acres.
- Bio-waste 8.25 tons was chipped and broadcast onto the lots to add nutrients back into the soil and to prevent erosion; and 2 cords of firewood were left for the owners
- Status of the large job in Poppet Flats we mentioned last month. The owner of the property has not responded and we now do not have enough funds to cover the cost.
- Status of funds: Spent or committed \$168,350 (\$11,650) to go to ground.

c. CaFSC 2015 Grant - received the award letter. MCFSC requested \$200,000 were approved for \$151,726.

d. CWPP – The grant is approved, we are awaiting funding

e. Pat Boss gave the Woodies and Projects Report

- 4 working sessions, all at the Help Center splitting wood.
- 11.5 cords of split firewood were provided for the HELP Center. The cage was almost filled to capacity after the last work day in September.
- 131 volunteer hours.

Bill Baker will be leaving next week for Missouri, where he will live with his daughter. The Woodies will be helping them with a yard sale, Wednesday through Saturday.

## Education

- a. GSOB Update, Ron Perry and Doris Lombard, GSOB inspectors  
The team continues to respond to calls from the Help Line and make windshield inspections.
- b. Fall Newsletter  
The fall edition is almost done and ready to send to the printer.

## Agency reports:

President Kramer spoke with Tim Lange about the problem with Spanish Broom on the San Gorgonio Mountain. Perhaps in the future the group may want to host a community meeting to discuss this problem. V.P. Walker also suggested that the Ms. Kramer, retired USFS Botanist could provide information to the council.

Brown Bag TBD

Next Board meeting November 10, 9:30am at Mountain Resource Center

Meeting adjourned 11:30am

Respectfully submitted,  
Ray Barmore, Secretary

Note taker, Edwina Scott