

Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council

Board of Directors Meeting

June 14, 2016

Minutes

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

Staff present: Edwina Scott and Pat Boss

Public in attendance: Kayanna Warren, USFS; Gregg Bratcher, CAL FIRE; Greg Ross, Woodie; Dan Dever; and five crew members from CAL FIRE/RVC Fire Station 23

1) Opening Remarks (Chris Kramer, President)

President Kramer welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2) Financial Report

a) Treasurer Spreyne gave the financial report. The board had no questions and will file the reports for audit.

b) The board reviewed the IRS Form 990. There were no questions or corrections. The board authorized our Auditor, Terry Shea, to file the form on behalf of MCFSC.

3) **Adoption of May 2016 Minutes**

The Minutes were reviewed. Motion by Director Holldber to approve Minutes as submitted, approved.

4) Fuel Modification Operations (Edwina Scott)

a) FEMA/CALEMA Roof Replacement Grant

Ninety-nine wood roofs have been replaced with one more in process.

b) California Fire Safe Council 2015 Grant

No jobs were done in May, due to the nesting birds. MCFSC hired Davey Resource Group, to inspect perspective jobs. If there are no active nests, they will OK the work to proceed.

c) CWPP

Dave Kehrlin, ESRI Consultant, gave a presentation to MAST about "How to Update the CWPP". Members of MAST elected to have a meeting of the Steering Team before we start updating the information.

d) County funds to assist low-income individuals

There are currently two pending jobs, waiting for the nesting birds inspection.

e) SRA Grant applications

The council has submitted all required documentation and Tim Morin is in the process of completing the CEQAs required for the projects.

f) Projects and Woodies Report

The Woodies had four working sessions, cutting and splitting 6 cords of firewood and donated 161.5 hours.

5) Education (Edwina Scott)

- a) GSOB Update, Ron Perry and Doris Lombard, GSOB inspectors
Directors Perry and Lombard and Chief Bratcher gave an update on the GSOB.

6) Old Business

- a) MOU with Skyland Ranch, Girl Scout Camp
This item is tabled

7) Approve new and revised policies for the 2016 CaFSC Grant (submitted in January)

The board discussed the revised Federal Procurement Policy and the following new policies: Interest Bearing Account Threshold, De Minimin Indirect Costs and Single Audit Threshold. The Motion by Director Holldber to approve the policy revision and new policies, approved.

8) Agency Reports

Forester Warren gave an update on USFS activities

- The Strawberry Fuel Break is on hold until after summer. The Forest Service doesn't want to create piles during fire season.
- Pine Cove Fuel Break to start soon.
- The USFS has found 15 GSOB oaks on federal land.

Chief Bratcher gave an update on CAL FIRE/Riverside County Fire activities

- CAL FIRE is currently working off the hill with SRA money
- CAL FIRE has recently found 12-15 GSOB oaks

9) Public Comments - related to items on the agenda.

Meet adjourned: 11:00 A.M.

10) Meetings:

- a) *Tentative* Brown Bag Lunch Meeting: Wednesday June 29, 12:00 PM
b) Next Board Meeting: July 12, 9:30 AM

Respectfully Submitted,
Ray Barmore, Secretary

Note takers: Director Spreyne and Edwina Scott