

Mountain Communities Fire Safe Council

Board of Directors Meeting
9:30 A.M., Tuesday, February 10, 2015
Mountain Resource Center

MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Ray Barmore, Mike Esnard, Lois Henson, Jerry Holldber, Chris Kramer, Larry Kueneman, Doris Lombard, Marvin Spreyne, Ron Perry

Staff Present:

Pat Boss, Don Patterson, Edwina Scott, ED

Others Present:

Dan Dever, Tim Lange, Marge Muir

1. President's Remarks (Chris Kramer)

The Meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM by President Chris Kramer. Chris thanked everyone for attending his first meeting as President. He then had the guests introduce themselves and they gave a short history of their backgrounds.

2. Finance & Audit (Jerry Holldber, Treasurer)

- Edwina Scott the Executive Director is trying to recover a surcharge on the bank account. The bank tellers say they have removed the surcharge but the statements show otherwise.
- Edwina also transferred \$25,000 to the BBVA account to keep operations proceeding.
- Treasurer Jerry Holldber presented the **Financial Report**. Receiving no questions, the report will be referred to the Auditors.
- The **Audit** will be held on the 25th and Chris Kramer, Director Mike Esnard and Jerry Holldber will attend the audit meeting.

3. Adoption of January 2015 Minutes

- Director Ron Perry had a few additions to the minutes.
- Mike Esnard made a motion to accept the January 2015 Minutes as amended and the motion was passed.
- Secretary Ray Barmore will temporary take the Minutes until a qualified person can take over.

4. Fuel Modification Operations (Edwina Scott)

- a. FEMA/CalEMA Roof Replacement Grant
 - In January two reroofing jobs were completed.
 - The allowable cost was \$4,600 and the reimbursable cost was \$3,450.
- b. California Fire Safe Council Grant

- The project managers worked with three property owners (19 parcels) removing hazardous fuels and creating defensible space on 20.5 acres.
- Bio-waste: 52.5 tons was removed, eight cords of firewood were left for the property owners.

c. **County Coop Grant**

- The project managers worked with four property owners (4 parcels) removing hazardous fuels and creating defensible space on 16 acres.
- Bio-waste: 18 tons was taken to the grinding station, 15.5 tons was chipped on site, 13.5 cords of firewood was left for the owners.

d. **Projects and Woodies Report**

- Project Manager Don Patterson reported that three Woodies working sessions were held last month.
- Five and one half cords of firewood were split for the Help Center clients.
- Four extra sessions were held to transport the splitters to Mountain Center for the repair of leaking drive cylinders. Also completed during the extra sessions was bucking and to improve access, logs were moved away from the wood delivery area.
- The Woodies logged 139.25 volunteer hours of work this month.
- Project Manager Pat Boss has been finding abatement jobs in Garner Valley. The contractors are now working with Edison full time. Pat has two to three jobs a week coming in for bid.
- Donations: 8 Donors gave \$380

5. **Education (Edwina Scott)**

- a. Code Committee Draft / Mt. Area Flammable Vegetation, Hazardous Vegetation, Combustible Material Abatement
The committee will be meeting tomorrow at 1:00 at the MRC with the San Bernardino Code Enforcement group.
- b. GSOB Update
A Town Hall Meeting will be held in late March or early April. The Town Hall meeting will be advertised in the MCFSC Newsletter. Edwina will construct the Newsletter and it will feature the Astro Camp Fuel Breaks. Edwina will try to set the Town Hall for April 11, but will have to check for scheduling problems.

6. **Special Goals**

- a. Board Communication Policy
The board reviewed the job description given to Edwina when she was hired. After discussion, they agreed she should be the primary spokesperson for the organization.

In line with the above discussion, Vice-President Norm Walker, who did not attend this board meeting, will be ask to renounce the title of Agency Liaison now that he is Vice President.

7. **Agency Reports**

Agency representatives did not attend the board meeting.

8. **Meetings:**

a. Brown Bag Meeting: TBD, Auditors on site Feb 24-25

b. Board Meeting: Tuesday, March 10, 2015, 9:30 AM, MRC

Meeting Adjourned at 10:40 AM

Meeting Minutes taken by Dan Dever.

Respectfully submitted,
Ray Barmore, Secretary