



# El Dorado County Fire Safe Council

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"Public and Private Partners Working Together to Protect People, Homes, and Natural Resources"

## Board Meeting Minutes-FINAL

June 18, 2025

9:30 am to 12:00

American Legion

4561 Greenstone Road, Placerville

### 1. Meeting Call to Order

09:30 am

### 2. Roll Call: Sign In

In Person: Pimlott, Council, Pullin, Penn, Boal, Ball, Connelly, Johnston, Hess, Lory, Willis, Zelinsky, Osgood, Payne ZOOM: Cantelow, Gilcrest

### 3. Pledge of Allegiance

Ken Pimlott

### 4. Consent Calendar Board Action Item

a. Meeting Agenda: 06/18/2025

b. Board Meeting Minutes: 05/21/2025

c. Bylaws section 14.04 - EDCFSC Approval of Associate Fire Safe Council Boundaries

Consent Calendar approved as presented with no opposition.

### 5. New Business

PG&E Presentation - Layers of Protection – Mike Webb

Power Point presentation of the operation of PG&E related to fire prevention.

Video and PDF will be posted on EDCFSC website.

## 6. Old Business

None

## 7. Executive Board Reports:

### a. Chairman's Report & Communication – Ken Pimlott

Ken Pimlott shared that Jessica Isabel would be stepping in for Carri Lueck today for the elections, sign-ins and checks. Pimlott announced that Dorothy Fine, Vice Chair, is out on vacation and will not have a report.

### b. Vice-Chair Report –No Report

### c. Secretary Report – Angel Ball

- **Elections - Board Action Item**

- a. Board of Directors – Passed 16 Aye, 0 No, 7 Absent

- b. Executive Board – Passed 17 Aye, 0 No, 5 Absent

- **Council Renewal – Board Action Item**

Renewals – Passed 17 Aye, 0 No, 5 absent

### d. Treasurers Report: Ken Pimlott for Janet Barentson

- **Treasurer Report as of 4/30/2025 - Board Action Item**

Ken Pimlott provided a brief Treasurer's Report. Treasurer's Report approved as presented with no opposition.

## 8. Partners Reports:

### a. BLM – TBA - No Report

### b. CAL FIRE –Jeff Hoag

Crews are working to contain the Bonanza Fire. Gave a recap on the new Zone 0 regulation being implemented in January 2026.

### c. Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience – Tanya Harlow

El Dorado County Fair had a good turnout and thanked Hugh Council for his idea on passing out prizes to children who completed their fire maps. Project Coordination Group met for the first time on June 17, 2025, discussing ways to implement the CWPP. The Board of Supervisor's will vote on the CWPP August 12, 2025.

- d. EDC Fire Chiefs Association – Tim Cordero  
No Report
- e. EDC FPO Association – TBA  
No Report
- f. ENF – Brad Stewart  
No Report
- g. RCD – Courtney Jackson  
Gave report on work being completed throughout the County.
- h. SMUD – Eric Brown  
No Report
- i. PG&E – Mike Webb  
No Report-Gave Power Point presentation
- j. EDSO –Lt Morton  
No Report
- k. BOR – Zarela Guerrero  
No Report

**9. Program Reports:**

- a. Grants & Funding/Grants Committee– Tamara Johnston

Has not heard back from California FSC grant advance. Grant opportunities available for the Home Assessment program. Announced a Grants Meeting July 2, 515 Main st 12:30pm to discuss other opportunities. CAL FIRE grants are currently on hold.

b. Assistance Programs – Jessica Isabel

- Chipping – YTD  
351 completed  
660 acres cleared  
57,252 cubic yds chipped  
\$163,393 spent
- Defensible Space Services for Seniors, etc – YTD  
268 new parcels Evaluated  
225 parcels Cleared  
\$1,242.85 average cost per parcel  
\$312,612.57 spent  
Of completed jobs:  
54 Veterans  
203 Seniors  
48 Low-Income  
54 Disabled
- Hazard Tree Removal – YTD  
103 new parcels Assessed  
87 parcels completed  
314 new trees Identified  
284 trees Cut  
\$670.79 average tree cost  
\$124,409.25 spent

c. Training Committee – Hugh Council

This will be Hugh Council's last report and Elizabeth Standeven will be taking over. Council passed the microphone to Standeven. Working on a zoom-based Q&A's system for the Home Assessor's.

d. Outreach & Education –Angel Ball

- El Dorado County Fair Results

Thanked all volunteers for their work: Lester, Alice, Sandy, Chuck, Karen, Elizabeth, Deinse, Jerry, Bob, Steve, Greg, Angel, Germaine, Annette, Jeanine, Paul and Mike.

Requesting volunteers for the Summer Spectacular, June 28<sup>th</sup> 5pm-10pm. Paul Gilchrest noted he has four volunteers for the Summer Spectacular.

## 10. Community Council Reports

**Mark Almer, Grizzly FSC** – Event in Somerset June 28<sup>th</sup> 3pm-8pm, successfully transferred to the County Streamline website.

**Melissa Gates, Royal Equestrian Estates FSC** – Fire break done by Hargo's Land Management. Wildland fire started by a mower and was quickly put out.

**Ken Rogers, LogTown FSC** – Thanked CAL FIRE, OES, and Sheriff departments that supported their event yesterday. Neighborhood Radio Watch provided real-time information about fires, from members in the community.

**Jeanine Stiles, Greenstone FSC** – Successful Green Waste Event. Very impressed with how much defensible space clearing she has noticed in her area.

**Corde Wagner, El Dorado Hills South FSC** – Expanding FSC to include other communities, Carson Creek and Four Seasons. 1,055 homes and have been doing a lot of assessments.

**Elizabeth Standeven, Sandridge FSC** – Having a meeting with Aukum Fairplay FSC to talk about seasonal green waste for their area.

**Bob Hess, Coloma Lotus FSC** – Established 3<sup>rd</sup> FireWise Community last week; Woodridge. Green Waste Event went well, and Gary Boal gave a nice presentation. President of Neighborhood Radio Watch

**Hassan Ebrahimi-Nuyken, Sierra Springs FSC** – Green Waste Day went well, filled 2 ½ Green Waste bins. Commented on recording the time that community members spent on it because that could help with FireWise. 7 volunteers did Home Assessments on 212 properties, 70% met criteria.

**Bill Osgood, Serrano FSC** – Working on 20 assessments. Broke Serrano into 3 sections and Tanya Harlow helped establish FireWise.

**Mike Connely, Auburn Lake Trials FSC** – Started field work on 32 acres fuel break funded by PG&E. Green waste went well filled 3 ½ bins. Completed 785 evaluations and 640 passed.

**Lester Lubekin, Oak Hill FSC** – Started work with CAL FIRE Funds

**Tamara Johnston, Georgetown Divide FSC** – Had a fire in an area that was recently masticated and received a call from a resident thanking them for saving his home. Has drone footage on BLM Land being worked on. Eight people trained in the Home Assessment Program. Planning to put an article in the Georgetown Gazette.

**11. Public Comment** – *Time limit is 3 minutes per person.*

Ken Greenwood – Concerned about burning resources not being available and why we can't burn at night anymore. Suggested advanced burn permits. Hoping to get more people excited about why we do public outreach.

Gina Posey – Created Firewise community 3 years ago and would like the EDCFSC to reflect more data on FireWise communities i.e. maps, application, etc.

Grant Runacres – Owner of Advanced Home Hardening

Ken Pimlott shared logistics information for the BBQ lunch and thanked everyone for coming.

**Good of the Order**

- a. 12 to 1 pm - Barbecue Lunch
- b. 1 to 3 pm - "How Wildland Fire Protection Works in CA" presented by:
  - Chief Blankenheim, CAL FIRE
  - Chief Wagner, El Dorado National Forest
  - Chief Cordero, El Dorado County Fire
  - Lt Morton, Sheriff OES
- c. Next EDCFSC Board Meeting – July 16, 2025

**12. Adjourn 11:42am**

Meeting Minutes taken by Jessica Isabel, Grants Administrator