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

Board Meeting Minutes

January 26th, 2016

USFS Headquarters, 100 Forni Road, Placerville

9:30 am to 11:00

1. Meeting Call to Order: 0934

2. Roll Call: Sign In

Lory, Campbell, Marenco, Hasse, Dwyer, Willis, Tolson, Stewart, Dickson and Crespo present

3. Approval of Agenda: 1/26/2016 Board Action Item

Motion by Stewart to approve agenda adding Item 9(i) Volunteer liability release and waiver form and Item 9(j) Company sponsored EDC FSC programs. Second by Marenco. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Consent Agenda: Board Action Item

a. Approve 11/17/2015 Board Meeting Minutes

Motion by Tolson to approve minutes. Second by Stewart. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Public Comment –Time limit is 3 minutes per person.

None

6. Information Items:

a. Chairman's report

- Communication from USDA urging Congress to pass wildfire funding fix
- National Forest is hiring firefighters
- Mosquito FSC is hosting a pancake breakfast/omelet bar January 30th, EDC FSC board members are invited (can eat free), will have a map of the area for community members to look at, Dwyer and Campbell will attend FSC meeting afterwards
- Apple Hill Growers Association pamphlet included an article about wildfire prevention and another on effects of wildfires and included EDC FSC website, EDC FSC wrote them a thank you note
- Communication from BOS from OES that says to be vigilant and report anything of concern
- Supervisor Veerkamp is hosting a town hall meeting on public safety on February 2 at 6:30 pm in the BOS conference room
- Georgetown is having a rural communities group meeting March 24 at 6:00 pm in the Garden Valley fire station and would like a representative from EDC FSC to attend
- Note from Frank Stewart with State FSC to meet February 24 at McClellan regarding Good Neighbor Authority and FSC working collaboratively

b. Vice Chair report

- Reminder-be aware of agencies around you and keep them informed of what's going on, they may be able to help with projects

c. Fire Chiefs Meeting – Pat

- Will be meeting tomorrow

d. FPO Meeting – Bruce

- Meeting centered around new fire safety rules for developments
- Scheduling lots of classes
- Lots of discussion about roadways

e. Web page – Update

- Events calendar has a conflict with the satellite FSC pages
- Other glitches with current website, base template is no longer supported
- Webmaster has two suggestions: 1-rebuild website, content would be the same but would look different or 2-replace “rollscoper” which is obsolete
- Hasse recommends complete redesign to eliminate obsolete parts, approximately \$750, can preview new site before accepting

Motion by Stewart to redesign website at a cost not to exceed \$750. Second by Marengo.

Motion carried unanimously.

7. Program Reports

a. Chipper – Jodi

- Slow right now, only a couple requests a week

b. Dumpster-Jodi

- Nothing in the works right now

c. Senior Assistance – Ernie

- Not much activity right now for defensible space
- Looking ahead at funding to get through summer and fall-will talk about under 9(j)
- Looking at a clearinghouse grant, would need a match for that
- Cleaning up application for request for assistance

d. Fuel Reduction Projects

i. Wentworth Springs – Pat

- PG&E funded project has been completed

ii. PP-1-Mark/Heather

- Campbell will be in the field today for the project
- Having to expand right of entry agreements
- Surveying area

iii. GF-12 Ernie

- CCC on site on alternating weeks
- GF FSC is providing some of the project management funds
- Mastication will start first week in March, will be using brand new piece of equipment

iv. LT-9a Ken

- CCC is doing work, are working today and tomorrow
- About half way through
- Logtown FSC is paying \$1,000 for administrative fees

v. Trestle Forest Health project, Teresa

- A little delayed, no report
- Possibly a decision in March

vi. CalFIRE/CCC Projects

- Four active roadside clearing projects: Volcanoville Road in Georgetown, Starkes Grade Road in Pollock Pines, Rattlesnake Bar Road in Pilot Hill and Sandridge Road in Mount Aukum
- Want to integrate FSC projects with Cal FIRE projects when we can

e. CWPP Status – Pat

GIS expert, Paul Watkins, has volunteered to help out with mapping, will help interface with SIG

i. Survey publicity

- Survey availability has been increased and advertised

ii. Community meetings

- Discussed community meetings

8. Treasurer’s Report: Ken Hasse

a. Financial reports

- \$308,326 in master account, \$66,064.86 in SRA account
- Deposits in December included PG&E funding for Georgetown project, PP1 and chipping
- Expecting new contract for Title III funds
- P&L is in the black
- Have only spent 14% of budget to date

b. Grant Funding Status

No report

c. Title III Discussion

No report

Motion by Crespo to accept Treasurer’s report. Second by Lory. Motion carried unanimously.

9. New Business

a. Board of Supervisors update, Dec 8 Pioneer Park – Presentation – Outbrief

- Update went well

b. 2015 Accomplishments – Pat

i. Board advisory committee outreach

- Now have administrative support
- Now have a physical location
- Website is being utilized more
- New Board members
- New satellite councils
- Relationship with fire agencies and FPA are being made and improved
- CWPP in process
- Improving public relations
- Held grant workshop
- Held new council start up workshop
- 4291 training scheduled again for this year
- Reached out to board of realtors and insurance industry for participation

c. 2016 Revised Goals – Steve

- Create advisory board
- Help satellite councils be successful
- Create a public relations officer position
- Satellite councils are encouraged to develop goals for 2016 and EDC FSC can assist if needed
- Will attach EDC FSC goals to meeting minutes

d. SRA Grant Applications Corrected Information

- 70 grant request numbers were issued in northern California
- 16 grants were submitted from El Dorado County, 3 of which were from the Tahoe Basin, EDC FSC was involved in 9
- Lesson learned-need to start earlier, maps need to be compliant
- \$750,000 in grant requests were sponsored by EDC FSC

- e. **CAL FIRE 4291 “Evaluator” training March 22 1:00pm to 3:00pm USFS**
 - Coming up after next EDC FSC board meeting
- f. **Community Wildfire Preparedness Day May 7th**
 - This is a nationwide event and there are opportunities for grants to support the event
- g. **Friends of Seniors Spaghetti Feed April 23rd (Ernie)**
 - Will be held for 2:00-6:00 pm at the Diamond Springs Lion’s Club, bar will be available
 - Raised approximately \$5,000 for the defensible space program last time

Motion by Cambell to support the event. Second by Tolson. Motion carried unanimously.
- h. **Home & Garden Show (Apr 29th to May 1) - Discussion**
 - Concerns with location and staffing
 - Campbell will coordinate staffing

Motion by Dickson to have Executive Board negotiate with promoter for indoor space. Second by Crespo. Motion carried unanimously.
- i. **Volunteer Liability Release**
 - Investigating need for release for volunteers at events, volunteers personal insurance is primary, FSC insurance would be secondary
 - Waiting for response from insurance company
 - Reminder that any injuries need to be reported immediately
- j. **Company Sponsors**
 - Is there funding from company sponsors to support defensible space through Friends of Seniors
 - Other counties have corporate sponsors
 - Executive Board will add to their agenda to discuss

10. Board member/ Associate Reports

Hupner-Report on the King Fire aired by KCRA noted that there were over one billion dollars in insurance claims, two billion dollars in economic costs, this can be a wakeup call for El Dorado County on effects of wildfire and should be used to continue to advocate for fuel reduction/weed abatement ordinances
 Tolson-Auburn Lake Trails FSC has a \$100,000 project starting this month on peripheral fuel break
 Willis-Will update website with a speaker/newsletter topic list
 Dickson-South County Large Animal Rescue and PG&E are collaborating for a class on February 20 at the Pleasant Valley Grange, there will be a pancake breakfast fundraiser also

11. Good of the Order

Adjourn to the February 23th 2016 Board Meeting (9:30am) and Stakeholders Meeting 1:00pm
Motion by Stewart to adjourn at 11:54 am. Second by Lory. Motion carried unanimously.

Jodi Martin, Clerk to the Board