



Wrightwood Fire Safe Council

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Meeting Minutes

Call To Order: The general meeting for the Wrightwood Fire Safe Council (WFSC) was called to order by Chuck Carroll on March 17, 2009 at 1900 hours local time, at 6000 Cedar, Wrightwood, CA 92397.

Roll Call: The following WFSC Board Of Directors were present: John Aziz, Chuck Carroll, Robert Comperini, Bob Fino, Hank Hallmark, Joyce Harrison, Kathy Smith, Miles Wagner. Absent was: John Bauer, Al Morrissette, Vince Pulsipher.

The following WFSC community members were present: Karin Core, Carol Goss, Dee Potter, Bonnie Ross, Ed Ross.

The following agency representatives were present: Lauren Blake (San Bernardino National Forest), Thomas Brandt (SB County Code Enforcement), Zac Cagle (Boy Scouts, troop 351), Paul Camarena (CALFIRE), Julie Crick (Forest Care), Christopher Danyow (Hazardous Tree), Rodney Delgado (CALFIRE), Matt Edmiston (CALFIRE), Darrayl Felgar (SB County FD Station 101), Julie Hernandez (SB County Code Enforcement), John Lane (ANF), Shane Littlefield (CALFIRE), Pam Morey (Forest Care), Matthew Naas (Boy Scouts troop 351), Jim Powderly (Chino Valley Fire District), Steve Turner (SB County FD Station 101), Jon Wight (CALFIRE).

Flag Salute: The flag salute was led by Zac Cagle, of the Boy Scouts.

Special Guests:

Zac Cagle (Boy Scouts, troop 351) gave a presentation to the FSC about the Eagle project he is working on. Zac's project involves promoting the Adopt-a-hydrant program in Wrightwood. His goal is to promote the program, get the unclaimed hydrants "adopted", and to increase awareness of the program. Zac and his group of volunteers, expect to accomplish this project in April 2009. The FSC will generate a letter supporting this project, so Zac can get approval for his project.

Jim Powderly, fire inspector, Chino Valley Fire District: Gave a presentation from the Carbon Canyon Fire Safe Council. Presentation included activities before and after the 2008 fires, and "lessons learned" from the disaster.

Cooperative Partner & Agency Updates:

Angeles National Forest (John Lane): Wrightwood Fuel reduction project just east of Mountain High area is in progress. FSC members voiced concerns that the community was not notified during pile burning operations.

San Bernardino National Forest (Lauren Blake): Pile burning in the Lone Pine Canyon area continues, as weather allows. Burning expected to continue over the next few weeks, and is 90% complete. Mastication phase is complete. Still working on additional gates In the Boundary Ridge area. FSC members advised that there have been reports of increased Off-road activity and shooting taking place in out of bounds areas.

Forest Care Program (Julie Crick): No report. Reminded people about the Forest Care program, and what services were available to residents.

Cal Fire (Paul Camarena): Introduced Jon Wight, and Battalion Chief Rodney Delgado. Briefed us about their upcoming training activities. They indicated that SR-2 brush clearing would begin in the near future. MOU signed with Fenner camp to provide labor for clearing projects.

LA County Agricultural Commission: Not present. E-mail message read by John Aziz. Vacant parcel property owner notifications have been sent out.

SB County Code Enforcement (Thomas Brandt): Talked about this season's weed/grass enforcement, and the new county codes regarding property clearance. Mr. Brandt will most likely not attend future FSC meetings. Bill McFarland will be attending in his place.

SB County Hazardous Tree Removal (Chris Danyow): Projects on south side of Wrightwood and in Guest Ranch area continue. They have funding for next 5 years, and expect to receive stimulus money.

Public Comments And Questions: None

Old Business:

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report was submitted, and accepted (vote 8/0).

New Business: None

Review of previous month's minutes: The minutes of the January 2009 meeting were approved as written, after corrections were made during previous review by the board. Motion to approve made by Chuck Carroll. Motion seconded by Bob Fino. Motion passed 8/0. Due to weather, the February 2009 meeting was cancelled.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 2113 hours local time. The next general WFSC meeting will be held on April 21, 2009.

Minutes submitted by:

Robert Comperini, Secretary
Wrightwood Fire Safe Council