



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 April 21, 2009 at 1900 hours local time, at 6000 Cedar, Wrightwood, CA 92397.

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

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

The following agency representatives were present: Russ Bell (SB County Fire), Wayne Bennett (SB County Fire), Lauren Blake (San Bernardino National Forest), David Brackin (LA County Agricultural Commission), Paul Camarena (CALFIRE)

Flag Salute: The flag salute was led by Al Morrisette.

Presentation: David Brackin (LA County Agricultural Commission) gave a presentation on the proper way to trim trees. He discussed various considerations to be made, when trimming for the health of the tree, or when "shaping" the tree. He advises not to trim in late fall. Best time to do major pruning is the January/February timeframe.

Public Comments And Questions: None

Cooperative Partner & Agency Updates:

Angeles National Forest: No report.

San Bernardino National Forest (Lauren Blake): LPC fuel modification, and boundary ridge pile burning has stopped, because of weather and fuel moisture concerns. Burning will resume if conditions improve. 437 acres remain to be treated.

Forest Care Program: No report.

Cal Fire (Paul Camarena): Normal staffing levels. Spring training has begun. No progress on SR-2 clearing, because of these ongoing efforts. Expect that to begin shortly after the training period. Calfire has already responded to some small brush fires in the southern California area.

LA County Agricultural Commission (David Brackin): No additional report.

LA County Fire: No report.

SB County Code Enforcement: No report.

SB County Fire: No report.

SB County Hazardous Tree Removal: No report. John Aziz spoke about the Wrightwood Project. Work being curtailed due to "spotted owl" concerns. There has been no progress on Wreight Mountain Road clearing issues.

Report from John Aziz: Discussed brochures and advertising that has been done to promote our Wildfire & Disaster Awareness event. John mentioned that CR&R has no "green waste" program. Residential green waste they haul is placed in landfills.

Review of previous month's minutes: The minutes of the March 2009 meeting were approved as written, after corrections were made during previous review by the board. Hank Hallmark pointed out one correction in the Boy Scout presentation (change reference from "Matt" to "Zac"), and one spelling error (the word "area" misspelled) in the most recent version of the March 2009 minutes. Motion to approve minutes with corrections was made by Hank Hallmark. Motion seconded by Al Morrissette. Motion passed 11/0.

Old Business:

Treasurer's Report: Deposits from Mountain High and Lion's club were made. Expenses included printing expenses, projector and software purchases.

Hank Hallmark: Gave a brief update on the adopt-a-hydrant program. Hank has been updating hydrants location documentation and maps.

New Business:

John Aziz: Discussed the "Ready, Set, Go" document, prepared by Chief Dennen, which discusses the "Stay and defend" concepts. This document makes recommendations for cities and areas to consider.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 2108 hours local time. The next general WFSC meeting will be held on May 19, 2009.

Minutes submitted by:

Robert Comperini, Secretary
Wrightwood Fire Safe Council