



**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 July 21, 2009 at 1900 hours local time, at San Bernardino County Fire Department, Station 101.

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

The following WFSC community members were present: Deschenne Cecil, Larry Cecil, Karin Core, Jerry Engelen, Dee Potter, Bonnie Ross, Ed Ross, Jack Smith, Tom Suttlemyre

The following agency representatives were present: Wayne Bennett (SB County Fire), Bob Blount (USDA FS ANF), David Brackin (LA County Agriculture Commission), Julie Crick (Forest Care), Rebecca Tennison (Assemblyman Steve Knight), Roger Williams (USFS)

**Flag Salute:** The flag salute was led by Kathy Smith.

**Review of previous month's minutes:** The minutes of the June 2009 meeting were approved as written, after corrections were made during previous review by the board. Motion to approve made by Bob Fino. Motion seconded by Vince Pulsipher. Motion passed 8/0. hank Hallmark abstained.

**Guest Speaker:** Justin Simpson from Thermo-Gel, gave a presentation and demonstration of the Thermo-Gel product. For more information, visit the company website at: [www.thermo-gel.com](http://www.thermo-gel.com)

**Cooperative Partner & Agency Updates:**

Angeles National Forest (Bob Blount): Fuel projects continue. There have been some incidents of illegal campfires. ANF is still working on making the Big Pines facility available for public use. ANF realizes that this has been an issue for a long time. They expect this issue to be resolved by mid 2010. The meeting room can be made available to the Wrightwood FSC now, for meetings. The Wrightwood FSC will meet with Bob Blount soon, to discuss this in more detail.

San Bernardino National Forest (Roger Williams): Discussed current projects. Helicopter Hill gate is being constructed now. Lone Pine Canyon Road 2010 clearance project: Design continues. Shoulder clearance along Lone Pine Canyon Road maybe widened as a result of this project.

San Bernardino National Forest Association (Julie Crick): Described the Forest Care program, and what they offer.

Cal Fire – No report

Los Angeles County Agricultural Commission (David Brackin): Los Angeles County property inspections continue, with good compliance percentages.

Los Angeles County Fire – No report

San Bernardino County Code Enforcement – No report

San Bernardino County Fire (Wayne Bennett): Station responded to small vegetation fire in the Lone Pine Canyon Road area. They also responded to one small structure fire. Local station staffing is down by one person (to 4).

San Bernardino County Hazardous Tree (NRCS): Emailed report filed by John Aziz. The agency is being renamed. New name is "Fire Fuels Management Program". Highway 2 mastication project has been completed. An additional 13 acres on the water district land along Highway 2 has been added to the project. Area excludes the water tanks, and the wash. It will be worked on this week. \$13 million in funding, for the next 5 years, has been approved by the Board Of Directors. This funding will also be used to fund County slash crews. Apple Creek project is still ongoing.

**Public Comments And Questions:**

Kathy Smith mentioned the passing of Jeffery Allen Mellinger, on 7/15/2009. He has been an Assistant Chief in charge of the Fenner Canyon Conservation Camp since 1997.

**Treasurer's Report:** One Transaction during this month. \$100 was spent on the Wrightwood Art Walk ad. Beginning balance: \$6369.82. Ending balance: \$6269.82.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 2030 hours local time. The next general WFSC meeting will be held on August 18, 2009.

Minutes submitted by:

Robert Comperini, Secretary  
Wrightwood Fire Safe Council