



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 October 20, 2009 at 1900 hours local time, at the Big Pines Lodge, 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 Morrissette, Vince Pulsipher, Kathy Smith, Miles Wagner.

The following WFSC community members were present: Cindy Aziz, Margot Baker, Paul Bauer (Mtn High), Gary Blake, Terry Comperini, Karin Core, Danna Cruzan, Beverly Ferdinand, Clark Fletcher, Carol Goss (WWPOA), R Hallett (WW Guest Ranch), Kenny L???, Krista L???, Garry Meluski, Linda Meluski, Ernie Mogg (WWPOA), Sandy Mogg, Katlin Paterson, Kerrie Paterson, Dee Potter, Bonnie Ross (CERT), Ed Ross (CERT), Jack Smith, Loretta Thompson (A Rhinestone Rose B&B), Whitey Trask, Patrick Martin (CERT), Virginia Martin (CERT)

The following agency representatives were present: Valerie Baca (SBNF), Glenn Barley (CALFIRE), Lauren Blake (SBFS), David Brackin (LA County Agricultural Commission), Luke Claus (Asst Fire Chief, LACO Fire), Todd Cook (ANF), Evan Conklin (LACO Fire), Julie Crick (Forest Care), Chris Danyow (SBCO Hazardous Tree), Tom Delgado (BPCA), Pat Dennen (SBC Fire), Jim Emery (BPCA), Dennis Felger (SBC Fire), Dan Filter (SBC Fire), Gabe Garcia (SBFS), John Heil (USFS), J Lopez (LACO Fire), Jim Kross (LACO Fire), John Lane (ANF), Carmen Mackey (LACO Fire), Gary McCord (SBC Fire), John Miller (SBNF), Pam Morey (Forest Care), Steve Roeber (SBC Fire), Jim Stalwaker (SBSO), Mike Stansell (LASO), Tim Wessel (SBC Fire), Mike Wakoski (BDF), Jim Wilkins (SBC Fire)

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

Sheep Fire Presentations:

This month's meeting was devoted to special presentations from various agencies, concerning the recent Sheep fire. The following people made presentations:

Jim Wilkins (SB County Fire PIO): Gave a slideshow presentation with an overview of the fire. During the presentation, various fire officials discussed their initial responses and roles during the fire.

Mike Wakoski (BDF): Gave a presentation on fuel reduction programs, and their effectiveness in the areas of the Sheep fire. Mike presented slides that showed the boundaries of the Sheep fire were influenced by fuel reduction programs in both the Lytle Creek and Lone Pine Canyon areas. Mike said that while the fuel reduction efforts would never have been able to stop the fire, they were effective in reducing the fire's advance in the areas that were treated.

Carmen Mackey (LA County Fire): Gave a video presentation on the "Ready, Set, Go" program.

Gabe Garcia (SBFS): Stressed the importance of citizens making authorities aware of illegal activity going on in forest areas that are off-limits to people.

Julie Crick (Forest Care): Gave a presentation on Forest Care, and the services they provide to property owners.

John Aziz (Wrightwood FSC): Talked about the increased threat of floods, in the burn areas. Residents should expect to see more road closures during flooding conditions.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 2115 hours local time. The next general WFSC meeting will be held on November 17, 2009.

Minutes submitted by:

Robert Comperini, Secretary
Wrightwood Fire Safe Council