



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 John Bauer on April 19, 2011 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, Robert Comperini, Hank Hallmark, Joyce Harrison, Al Morrisette, Vince Pulsipher, Kathy Smith. Absent was: Chuck Carroll, Bob Fino, Miles Wagner.

The following WFSC community members were present: Stephanie Carroll, Karin Core, Dee Potter, Bonnie Ross, Jack Smith, Helen Wulff, Otto Wulff

The following agency representatives were present: Pam Bierce (San Bernardino National Forest), Bob Blount (Angeles National Forest), Thomas Bradt (SB County FHA), David Brackin (LA County Agricultural Commission), Paul Camarena (CALFIRE), Julie Crick (Forest Care), Chris Danyow (SB County Hazardous Tree), Darrayl Felgar (SB County Fire), Dan Filter (SB County Fire), Don Fish Jr. (News Plus), Michelle Fox (Forest Care), Julie Hernandez (SB County FHA)

Flag Salute: The flag salute was led by John Bauer.

Public Comments and Questions:

John Aziz: Kevin Turner has been approached to discuss the Goldspotted Oak Borer, perhaps as early as our next meeting in May 2011.

Cooperative Partner & Agency Updates:

Angeles National Forest (Bob Blount): Tree replanting from recent fires, is under way. Over the next 10 years, over one million trees will be planted. Staffing levels are the same this year, as they were last year. ANF District office will be relocated to the Acton area, in fall of 2011. ANF still has plans to reopen the Big Pines hall to public groups, but no timeline has been set yet. Bob will provide a copy of the pile burn prescription to John Aziz.

San Bernardino National Forest (Pam Bierce): Sheep fire tree replanting was supported by approximately 40 people. Almost 1,000 out of 5,000 trees have been planted already. Fire season staffing will be the same as last year.

Cal Fire (Paul Camarena): SR-2 and Highway 138 Cleanup work continues, using Fenner crews. Fire season training has begun. Additional staffing will be in place around May 2, 2011. Engine crew will be reduced from 4 to 3 people (removing one firefighter from each engine). Staffing could be increased, if an event required it.

LA County Agricultural Commission (David Brackin): Will attend WDAD.

LA County Fire: No report

SB County Code Enforcement (Julie Hernandez): 405 compliance notices were sent to Wrightwood residents in 2010. 2011 inspections will begin shortly after WDAD. Working with Forest Care, and CALFIRE on the "demonstration property".

SB County Fire (Dan Filter): 107 calls last month (44 in Wrightwood, 10 to Phelan, 11 to Pinion Hills, 42 to LA County). New Fire Chief is Mark Hartwig. SB County Fire will participate in WDAD.

Forest Care Program (Julie Crick): Introduced Michelle Fox, marketing coordinator for Forest Care. A "demonstration house", which will be used to show residents how to comply with County fuels ordinances, will be available on June 11, 2011. Flyers will be mailed to announce this event.

SB County Hazardous Tree (Chris Danyow): Discussed fuel reduction programs currently underway along Highway 138, in the West Cajon Valley area. Chris also talked about other areas in Wrightwood (behind the camps, and in the guest ranch area) scheduled for treatment later this year.

Treasurer's Report: No treasurer's report was submitted.

Mountain High Event: No final numbers yet, although sales were good this year.

Wildfire Awareness Week: 5/2/2011 at 10:00am- "kickoff event" at fire station. 5/7/2011 - WDAD from 10:00am-3:00pm hours at Mountain Hardware. Green Waste Roundup scheduled for 5/14-21, 2011.

Review of previous month's minutes: The minutes of the March 2011 meeting were approved as written. Motion to approve made by John Aziz. Motion seconded by Joyce Harrison. Motion passed 8/0.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1955 hours local time. The next general WFSC meeting will be held on May 17, 2011.

Minutes submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert Comperini". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'R' and 'C'.

Robert Comperini, Secretary
Wrightwood Fire Safe Council