



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 May 16, 2017 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, Ben Smith, Kathy Smith. Absent was: Jim Emery, Hank Hallmark, Terri Hill, Bruce LaClaire.

The following agency representatives were present:

Kelly Anderson (SB County Fire), Tim Tate (Sb County Fire), Ed Edmonston (CalFire), Mary Stock (CalFire), Donna Termeer (LA County Supervisor Barger Field Rep), Vincent Jauregui (LA County Agricultural Commission)

Flag salute: The flag salute was led by Chuck Carroll.

Public comments and questions: None

Green Waste Event: Will be held June 3-10, 2017. List for people to sign up to work the event is being passed around.

California Conservation Corp Project: (Chuck Carroll) A new grant application has been submitted.

Donna Termeer (LA County Supervisor Barger Field Rep) introduced herself to the group. Donna previously worked for Rep. Sharon Runner, and has been a resident of the Antelope Valley for 40 years. She welcomes phone calls if we ever need the supervisor's help. Chuck Carroll asked if she could help get enforcement of unlicensed contractors working in the area. Chuck will provide details to Donna. Donna can be reached at (661) 726-3600, or dtermeer@bos.lacounty.gov.

Approval of minutes: The minutes of the April 18, 2017 meeting were approved as written. A motion to approve was made by John Aziz. Motion seconded by Kathy Smith. Motion passed 5/0.

Cooperative partner & agency updates:

Angeles National Forest (Matthew Bokach via email): ANF personnel currently going thru annual training. Bob Blount is the acting ranger for the Santa Clara district, although Matthew Bokach will remain the point of contact. Mike Strawhun will continue to be division chief for the Wrightwood area. Sean Wolf was promoted to prevention Battalion Chief, and will report to Glendora around June 11. Khary Allen was also promoted to Patrol 38.

San Bernardino National Forest (Lauren Blake via email): Recent fires: Tower at 150 acres, Bridge at 2-3 acres. Fire crews are bringing on seasonal employees for the fire season. Training has begun. Critical fuel moisture levels measured at Chamise at 60%. Normal range is 120-150%.

Cal Fire (Mary Stock): This will be Mary's last meeting (she is retiring on 5/18/2017). Her replacement is unknown at this time. Fenner staffing is as high as it's been in the past 5 years. Chuck Carroll asked about a tree on his property along SR-2. CalFire inspected it, and does not think it will survive.

LA County Agricultural Commission (Vincent Jauregui): Initial reports show that 73% of all LA County properties in the Wrightwood area are non-compliant as of 5/16/2017. Residents still have two more weeks to clear their property before inspections begin. The Wrightwood Guest Ranch owners were also notified of their non-compliance.

SB County Fire (Tim Tate): We discussed the county regulations regarding recreational and other types of fires.

- No residential pile burning is allowed in mountain areas.
- Recreational fires: Permits are required. Permits are available at local fire station. Permits are good for one year. Fires must be in fire rings, and other "stable" containers. Not washing machine drums.
- Bon fires: Can get a permit, but requirements are more stringent.
- All fires are subject to "burn suspensions". Permit holders must call a number on the permit, to see if burns are allowed on a specific day.
- SB County fire will update the brochure that describes the fire regulations. This should be done in the next week or two.
- The LA County supervisor's representative will see what regulations LA County has, and will provide guidance to the WFSC.

SB County Code Enforcement: No report.

Treasurer's report: No treasurer's.

New/continued business: None

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 2000 hours local time. The next general WFSC meeting will be held on June 20, 2017.

Minutes submitted by:



Robert Comperini, Secretary
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