



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 Jim Emery on July 20, 2021 at 1800 hours local time. This was a virtual meeting, held live using the Zoom service. This meeting was recorded. Audio of the meeting is available here:

<https://wrightwoodfsc.com/zoom/WFSC.7.20.21.mp3>

Roll call: The following WFSC Board of Directors were present: John Aziz, Robert Comperini, Jim Emery, Kathy Smith. Hank Hallmark, David Larkin. Terri Hill and Ben Smith were absent.

The following agency representatives were present: Mathew Brossard (ANF), Seth Mitchell (ANF), Michelle Palmer (SB County Code Enforcement), Ariel Verayo (LA County Agricultural Commission), Chief Bill Vloria (SB County Fire)

Announcements: None

Public comments: None

Approval of minutes: The minutes of the June 15, 2021 meeting were approved as written. Kathy Smith made a motion to approve the minutes. John Aziz seconded the motion. Motion approved 6/0.

Future Meetings: Return to in-person meetings: Emery said that because of recent developments and delta variant of Covid spreading, the WFSC will continue to hold remote meetings via Zoom for the time being.

WFSC Wildfire Evacuation Steps document (Jim Emery): The current evacuation document is available for download on the Wrightwood FSC website:

<https://wrightwoodfsc.com/evacuation/WFSC.Evacuation.Steps.7.14.21.pdf>.

SB Fire Hazard Abatement Inspections (John Aziz): 742 first notices were issued this year. This number is in line with results of previous years. Re-inspections begin 7/26/2021. Residents that wish to submit complaints about properties that are not compliant, can file an anonymous complaint on the county website.

Cooperative partner & agency updates:

Angeles National Forest (Seth Mitchell): New fire restrictions have been put into effect as of 7/15/2021. All fires, BBQs and smoking are now prohibited in the forest. These kinds of restriction are common, but the restrictions normally are put into effect later in the year. That means that this is a very dry year. A contract has been awarded, to treat 333 acres on the north side of Big Pines Highway, between the Forest boundary west of Camp Elk and the Big Pines area. The Rivers and Mountains Conservancy received money from the state for fire prevention purposes. ANF will be working with them to continue fuel reduction projects along the south side of Big Pines Highway.

San Bernardino National Forest: No report.

CCC: No report.

CAL FIRE: No report.

LA County Agricultural Commission (Ariel Verayo): 64 parcels of land south of Highway 2 in the Wrightwood area, have been declared a public nuisance by the LA County Board of Supervisors. 29 of these properties will be cleared by the county. The remainder will be cleared by the property owners. The department will be clearing 4 illegal dumping sites in the Antelope Valley area. These sites are located in the Sun City and Black Butte areas. Property owners have been contacted, to grant access to the county so they can be cleared. Properties are scheduled to be cleared in December 2021. The department estimates up to 200 tons of waste will be cleared from those 4 sites. Last year, the department cleared 431 tons of waste from illegal dump sites.

LA County Fire: No report.

SB County Fire (Bill Vioria): Bill Vioria was present, because Chief Corbin was unable to attend the meeting. Nothing newsworthy to report this month.

Treasurer's report: None

New/continued business: None

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1858 hours local time. The next general WFSC meeting will be held on August 17, 2021.

Minutes submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert Comperini". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "R" and a long, sweeping underline.

Robert Comperini, Secretary
Wrightwood Fire Safe Council