



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 March 19th, 2024 at 1805 hours local time, at the Wrightwood Community Building, 1275 SR-2, Wrightwood, CA 92397. Audio of this meeting is available here:
<https://www.wrightwoodfsc.com/zoom/WFSC.3.19.24.mp3>

Flag salute: The flag salute was led by Jim Emery.

Roll call:

The following WFSC Board of Directors were present: John Aziz, Jim Emery, Tom Foley, Hank Hallmark, David Larkin, and Ben Smith. Absent were: Robert Comperini, and Tim Heinrich.

The following agency representatives were present: Isidro Mora, Steffen Fuller (USFS ANF), Jason Mahan, Matthew Franklin (CAL Fire), Ray Mitchison (Los Angeles County Fire), Mark Wright, Marlon Gomez (San Bernardino County Fire),

Public comments and questions:

Cert (Stretch Suba): Announced Phelan/ Pinion Hills Cert Basic training April 13th, 20th, and 27th in Phelan. WW Cert will be operating an information booth at a STEAM event at Quail Valley School, and hosting a Ham radio certification class May 17th-19th.

Beyond Prepared (Patricia Gonzalez): Partnering with SCE to assist with generators for people with special needs (medical), info on PSPS events and other low-cost programs.

Approval of minutes: The minutes of the February 20th, 2024 meeting were approved as written. A motion to approve was made by John Aziz. Motion seconded by Jim Emery. Motion passed 5/0. Hank Hallmark abstained as he was not at the February meeting.

GSOB IERCD (Kayla Thompson): Hank Hallmark requested information on social media posts for discounted or free tree removals for seniors. Spring time, and have resumed inspections. Two new infested trees were located on Lark. IERCD is hosting a GSOB training event at Wildwood State Park April 5th from 10am-12pm. A new infestation has found in Newhall Pass/ Santa Clarita.

Social Media: Wrightwood Firesafe Council has created a social media page, which will be posting information regarding WFSC events and related items.

WDAD: Saturday May 11th from 10a-3p at the Mountain Hardware parking lot. Complications with USPS saturation mailing, and discussions about process and other resources to distribute flyers- IERCD, Mountaineer Progress.

Green Waste: May 31st, June 1st, 2nd 9a-3p located at 1450 Hwy 2 (across from WW Fire Station 14 and Grizzly Café) at the San Bernardino County Yard. Tri-Community residents can drop off their green waste.

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Angeles National Forest: Isidro Mora-Fuels reduction project update along Big Pins Hwy; thinning crews continuing down by Jackson Lake. Prescribed burning resuming around Appletree Campground and Table Mountain. ANF purchased 3 new tracked chippers, and new fuels crew being trained to operate.

San Bernardino National Forest: No Representative, no info

CAL Fire: Jason Mahan announced Jon White as the new area captain. CAL Fire supporting WDAD and Green Waste events. Crews are assisting with GSOB removals as a free service, ground fall only.

LA County Fire: Chief Mitchison- Brush clearance inspections begin April 1st. Continuing ag burns in the desert for hazard remediation. Emergency radios were discussed, will revisit with updates from OEM and NWS San Diego. 3 Sisters Incident- large explosions and fireworks reported as an ongoing problem. Reporting procedures discussed including "see something, say something" and problems with reporting location/ cross streets.

SB County Fire: Captain Wright reported potentially station 14 will be receiving a new snow cat and a tracked side by side. Follow up with Chief Anderson for Jr firefighter challenge, and Explores with Hot Dogs at WDAD event.

SB County Code Enforcement: No Representative, coordinating timing of inspections to fall after Green Waste event.

LA County Agricultural Commission: No Representative, they will be attending WDAD.

Treasurer's report: \$23,542.50 reported, also received \$30 cash for 2 t-shirts

New/ Continued Business:

- Fire Hydrant Mapping/ Adopt A Hydrant- large map to be printed showing hydrant locations.
- CWPP- follow up with Chief Littlefield/ CAL Fire representative to meet with WFSC to address additional items to meet CAL Fire protocols.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1919 hours local time. The next general WFSC meeting will be held on April 16th, 2024.

Minutes submitted by:

Ben Smith, Vice President (for R. Comperini)
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