



PLACER SIERRA FIRE SAFE COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES: December 12, 2019 Combined Nov/Dec Meeting

Attendance: Don Beldon (Secret Town/Emigrant Gap) Mark D'Ambrogi (Colfax-Greater), Sean Lomen (Colfax-City), Rob Zaucha (Meadow Vista), John Lippold (Placer Hills FPD)

Quorum: Yes

Representatives: Luana Dowling, FIREWISE/Fire Alliance

Guests and Members of the Public: None

1. Meeting called to Order: 6:00PM

2. Approval of Agenda: John/Sean unanimous

3. Approval of Minutes: Rob/John unanimous

4. Public Comment (5minutes): None

5. Action Items: None

6. Local Agency reports:

PHFPD- Snow related incidents, many occurred during storm. Structure fire at Weimar Inst. Due to discarded ashes. Many fire incidents related to discarded ashes.

Colfax City- New water tender should be in process about June/July 2020.

Fire Alliance- New RCD director. RCD will continue with the fiscal sponsorships regarding grants for the FSC's. The dumpster program is still in place and running, some still left. The County is holding off on generator permits for now due to PSPS. RSG grant for communities is available, looking at various communities that are interested. Moving forward with the Michigan Bluff grant and project venture with USFS.

FIREWISE- Luana has revised the listings of the FIREWISE communities and their status. A review was conducted on the FIREWISE communities within the PSFSC. Discussion occurred regarding the Alta FIREWISE process and Casa Loma.

Lauraine submitted a written article for the local Dutch Flat/Alta paper that was reviewed by the council. It promoted who and what the PSFSC does, everyone was in favor of doing more of this and will look into various source that can be tapped into.

7. Information/Non-Action Items/Adjournment:

PSFSC website info- Placer County OES is still in the developing stages for websites for all the FSC's. Mark and Lauraine are monitoring the PSFSC website and will submit info once they are developed fully.

PSFSC CWPP Project List- A review of the project list was completed. There are 36 projects on the list in various stages. The list was updated as so it can be submitted for the CWPP update.

CA Fire Foundation Grant- The grant that was submitted to CA FF was reviewed. This will be an outreach grant consisting of a mailer/handout with information to citizens on what to do and provide vendor resources to accomplish work on resident's properties. It is anticipated that the council will know the status of the grant before the end of the year.

PSFSC Mission Statement- It was decided to hold off on reviewing the mission statement until the website is fully functional and the FSC can review existing documents before changes are proposed.

Expiring Terms in 2020- D'Ambrogi and Harvey terms expire in 2020. D'Ambrogi will re-submit to remain active. Harvey was absent but will be contacted as to his status.

Burn Permits- A discussion occurred regarding burn permits. It gets confusing to some residents as to when an actual permit is required. Open burning in SRA areas do not require a permit. When permits are required it is best to check with Cal Fire and the local Fire agency as to permit requirements. All open burning is to follow Placer County Air Pollution guidelines.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30