



Alpine Fire Safe Council

Providing community leadership, resources and a forum to improve wildfire preparedness and prevention in eastern Alpine County.

Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 15, 2021

5:30 pm, Markleeville via Conference Line (in compliance with COVID-19 directive)

Present:

Kris Hartnett – FSC Chair / Coordinator, Markleeville Resident	Teri McAlpin – Administrator (minutes)
Steve Yonker – FSC Board Member, Woodfords Resident	January Riddle – BOS Liaison (guest)
Tom Sweeney – FSC Board Member, Woodfords Resident	Scott Kizziar – Forest Service (guest)
Mark Quillici – FSC Board Member, Woodfords Resident	
Matt Tremayne – FSC Board Member, Alpine Resident	

Absent:

Terry Hughes – Eastern Alpine Fire and Rescue	John Dion – FSC Board Member, Alpine Resident
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- I. Call to order** – K. Hartnett
Kris Hartnett, Chair, called the meeting of the Alpine Fire Safe Council (AFSC) to order at 5:30 pm via the Conference Line (phone meeting due to Covid-19 restrictions)
 - II. Introductions**
All present (on phone) were introduced as listed above. Process reviewed regarding how community members can become a member of the Alpine Fire Safe Council
 - III. Volunteer Time Sheets**
Timesheets were updated by Teri McAlpin (Administrator) for all members present on the phone. **Members will verify the entry at the next in-person meeting.**
 - IV. Eastern Alpine Fire & Rescue Report** – T. Hughes
 - A. Status of Volunteer Fire Department
 - a. Mr. Hughes was not present at this meeting, but Mark Quillici spoke on his behalf
 - V. Board of Supervisors Report**
 - a. Supervisor January Riddle presented on the following:
 - i. Status update on the Short-Term Rental Ordinance
 - VI. Oral Communication**
Each member of the public shall be allotted three minutes to address the AFSC on no more than one topic. The topic cannot be a listed agenda item. *Members agree that public comment may include more than one topic area, at the discretion of the Chair.*
 - A. Public comment was solicited by the Chair
 - a. No public comment at this time
 - VII. Agency Presentation for Projects under CWPP**
 - a. Forest Service – Scott Kizziar presented on the pile burning operations.
 - VIII. Approve 1/18/2021 regular meeting minutes**
 - A. K. Hartnett provided updates on all action items in the minutes.

- a. Action items from the January meeting were reviewed and updated:
 - i. FireWise is being pushed by other fire councils in California and Nevada and strongly suggests Alpine County is able to adopt a FireWise community.
ACTION ITEM: Members will write a paragraph and send it to K. Hartnett explaining how their community would benefit as a FireWise community, and the possibility of this happening.
 - ii. Beehive Insurance - No action was taken on this item.
ACTION ITEM: This topic will remain on the agenda for March 2021.
 - iii. ACTION ITEM: T. McAlpin will report at the March meeting regarding the status of the taxes
 - iv. ACTION ITEM: T. McAlpin will pay the Chamber of Commerce Membership for 2021

Motion to Approve 1/18/21 Meeting Minutes: Matt Tremayne

Second: Mark Quillici

Ayes: Steve Yonker, Tom Sweeney, Matt Tremayne, Mark Quillici, Kris Hartnett

Motion Carried

IX. Financial Report

Financial reports were provided to members and reviewed.

- A. General Fund
 - a. Status update on the general fund was provided
- B. CALfire Grant
 - a. Status update on the CALfire Grant was provided and the spreadsheet was reviewed
- C. Title III
 - a. Balance Report and Expense Report were provided and reviewed

Motion to approve all financial reports: Mark Quillici

Second: Tom Sweeney

Ayes: Steve Yonker, Matt Tremayne, Tom Sweeney, Mark Quillici, Kris Hartnett

Motion carried

X. Review & approval of staff vouchers & invoice statements

Discussion for T. McAlpin voucher: No discussion at this time.

Motion to approve all financial reports: Mark Quillici

Second: Tom Sweeney

Ayes: Steve Yonker, Matt Tremayne, Tom Sweeney, Mark Quillici, Kris Hartnett

Motion carried

Discussion for K. Hartnett voucher: No discussion at this time.

Motion to approve all financial reports: Mark Quillici

Second: Tom Sweeney

Ayes: Steve Yonker, Matt Tremayne, Tom Sweeney, Mark Quillici

Abstained: K. Hartnett

** Administration of the meeting was turned over to S. Yonker, while the item of K. Hartnett's Coordinator voucher was on the table. K. Hartnett abstained from vote for this topic item.*

Motion carried

XI. Unfinished Business

- A. Continued Discussion with Possible Action: Strive to select a FireWise Community in Eastern Alpine County
 - a. Report from K. Hartnett, S. Yonker, and M. Quillici
 - i. This topic was not discussed at tonight's meeting
 - ii. **ACTION ITEM**: This item will remain on the agenda for May 2021, or a special meeting prior to the May meeting
- B. Update: County fire Mitigation Plan County Approval and AFSC Continued Involvement
 - a. Update provided to members
- C. Continued Discussion with Possible Action: Disposal Greens Vouchers/Distribution – is it time for another bulk mailing?
 - a. Members have been given a supply of vouchers to hand out to residents upon request.

XII. New Business

- a. Discussion with Possible Action: Joint CALfire Grant Application
 - i.
- b. Sullivan Logging/AFSC Determinations Needed
 - i. AFSC as Fiscal Agent
 - ii. Proceed with Sullivan Partnership

- c. Update: Status of Marklee Village/Hot Springs Road/Woodfords Project
 - i.
- d. Action Needed: Add Ztec and MarkIt! To the AFSC Contractor List
 - i.

XIII. Member Report

- A. No reports provided at this time.

XIV. Staff Report – T. McAlpin

- A. None at this time.

XV. Coordinator Report

- a. 2017/18 CALfire Grant; Amendment for Alpine Village/CEQA & Status of Grant
- b. Meeting CALfire; Defensible Space Inspections 2021
 - i. Alpine Village, Diamond Valley Road, Woodfords from Intersection of HWY89 to Stateline; Mesa Vista
- c. CALfire Potential Fuels Project at Grover's Hot Springs and Shay Creek 2021
- d. CALfire Fuels Reduction – Forest Health Grant
 - i.
- e. Status of Alpine Village Project – Title III
- f. County Spring Clean Up 5/15/21
- g. Spring Burn Pile 4/3/21-5/30/21
- h. 2021 Death Ride – Preparation for Death Ride Beer Sales 7/17/21-7/18/21
- i. USFS Pile Burning Pleasant Valley and Thornburg Canyon

XVI. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned 7:00pm

Next regular meeting at 5:30 pm – Monday, May 17, 2021
(will be held at Markleeville Fire Station if Covid-19 restrictions are lifted)
(will be held via Conference Line if Covid-19 restrictions are not lifted)