



The Mission of the Grizzly Flats Fire Safe Council is to preserve Grizzly Flats' natural and manmade resources by informing, educating and mobilizing all residents and landowners to make their homes, properties, neighborhoods and the community fire safe, and to provide area-wide cooperation, innovation and action in an effort to buffer the Grizzly Flats Fire Safe Council's Sphere of Recognition from catastrophic wildfire

February 1st, 2020 Minutes

- 1) **Call to Order:** Chairman Mark Almer called the meeting to order at 9:30 am.
- 2) **Flag Salute:** The flag salute was led by USFS Captain Luke Birch
- 3) **Roll Call:** The meeting's roll was by sign-in sheet. Visitors introduced themselves.
- 4) **Meeting Room Cleanup Volunteers & Timekeeper Volunteers:** Room clean-up Volunteers were Roy.Rodgers and Ernie Lory. Robin Kelly was acknowledged as the meeting's timekeeper.
- 5) **Approval of the February 1, 2020 Agenda:** Colton Meyers moved to accept the Agenda with a second from Char Ank. **Motion** carried.
- 6) **Approval of the January 4, 2020 Minutes:** Kathy Melvin moved to accept the Minutes; the Motion was seconded by Mary Lou Brown. **Motion** carried.
- 7) **Treasurer's Report-** Steve Hupner:
 - The Treasurer reported the bank balance as \$36,593.
 - Old Reimbursement Forms floating around. Use only current edition forms.
 - If you need a current edition form, email Steve Hupner.
 - When filling out Reimbursement Forms, they need to be filled out providing all requested information. Incomplete forms could delay a reimbursement.
- 8) **Public Comment** (Comments shall be limited to items not on the Agenda and to a maximum of 3 minutes): There were no Public comments.
- 9) **Council Member's Comments:** (Comments shall be limited to items not on the Agenda)
 - Colton Meyer reported that the Facebook page called El Dorado County Radio has changed its name to El Dorado County Neighborhood Radio Watch
 - Mark Almer advised everyone to speak up clearly to better be heard by everyone in the room and to be picked up by the recorder.
 - Mary Lou Brown requested to reconfigure the seating in the room as it is too cramped on the sides. Mark Almer advised will be looking at that for the next meeting.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION – Mapping of future GFFSC projects – Barry Callenberger
Callenberger reported:**

- There are 25 FSC's in El Dorado County.
- Everyone in Grizzly Flat's should be viewing the www.readyforwildfire.org website and be Ready and Set to go.
- Have been meeting with Stakeholders and will continue to meet with Stakeholders, such as landowners, GFFSC members. and Forest Service.
- GFFSC's plan for upcoming year is to identify new projects and re-prioritize current projects
- There are opportunities for FSC's to use these projects for grants.
- Slides of maps and project descriptions were presented.

10) Agency Reports:

A. BOS District 2 Supervisor - Shiva Frentzen: Not present

B. Pioneer Fire Protection District (PFPD) – Chief Mark Matthews:

- PVFA Crab banquet on 1/25 was a success, next one is tonight. Thank you to those who purchased tickets and/or volunteered with the set up.
- PVFA is a huge support to the PFPD and QRT programs
- Battalion Chief Mike Stutts will be at station 35 part time starting Feb 5th and full time starting in May

C. Department of Transportation (DOT) – Brian Mullens: - Not Present

D. Grizzly Flats Community Service District (GFCSD) – Kim Gustafson-

- The District's Board of Directors still has a vacancy. They are looking for 5th member
- The GFCSD is tackling any new leaks they find.

E. Sheriff – John D'Agostini / Steve Wunschel- Not Present

F. El Dorado County Fire Safe Council (EDCFSC)- Ernie Lory:

- El Dorado County Tree Mortality program has closed due to no new infestation identified
- EDCFSC currently working 11 grants with a total value of \$2.9 million
- Five applications for grants were submitted with a total value of \$1.3 million, status unknown.
- As of July, Cal Fire will be putting out a new Fire Severity Map with additional severity tiers. It is unknown how this will relate to the Utility Commissions map
- El Dorado County Fire District's arson investigation trailer is almost complete

G. California Highway Patrol - Community Resource Officer – Andrew Brown-Not Present

H. United States Forest Service (USFS) - Captain Luke Birch:

- USFS will be adding a year-round Patrol vehicle and a 10 person Hand Crew to Grizzly Flats
- USFS is actively working on local forest projects, with burn piles being high priority in the Trestle Forest Health Project.
- With the Placerville Ranger District re-organization, Grizzly Flats will now become part of the Amador Ranger District, where Rick Hopson is the District Ranger.

I. Neighboring Fire Safe Councils:

1. Pleasant Valley FSC- No report
2. Aukum/Fairplay FSC- No report
3. Omo Ranch FSC- Paul Graham-
 - Paul Graham is the new ORFSC Chair they currently have all 5 members on their Board
 - Meetings are at the Indian Diggings School
 - PG&E has made changes to its Vegetation Management program for 2020. Instead of cut, trim and leave, they will now cut, trim and remove the vegetation.

11) **Old Business:**

A. GFFSC Sphere of Recognition Map Change- Randy Rossi/Robin Kelly
Discussion/Action Item

- Had a meeting with Somerset residents as well as Happy Valley
- ___Robin Kelly moved to no longer consider expanding past current boundaries and support any formation of another Fire Safe Council with a second from Randy Rossi. **Motion** Carried.

B. Four Corners Reader Board - Chief Matthews - Discussion/Action:

- Reader Board is 95% complete, 1st sign already on it.
- At the next meeting, the PFPD will know how much each of the local fire Safe Council's will be responsible for funding

C. Emergency Exit Route Signage Program - Chief Matthews/Don Spear/Steve Hupner
- Discussion/Action/Expense Item:

- The PFPD is working with the USFS to get approval for the evacuation signs through the ENF.

D. Updates & Changes PPM & Bylaws – Mark Almer / Steve Hupner- Discussion Item

- Currently no updates

E. GFFSC Vacancies – Mark Almer – Discussion/Action Item

- Mark Almer- Two vacancies on the council
- Need members who will be active participants of the Council.
- No current applicants.

12) New Business

A. Updates & Changes Since Last Meeting – Mark Almer – Discussion Item:

- At the March FSC meeting RPF John Pickett will provide a Power Point Presentation about “Hardening your home”.
- Kelly Krohn is unable to take over the GFFSC’s Secretarial position. Deb Gregory has agreed to be the FSC’s Secretary until the June election of officers.
- Kathie Hawkins has agreed to be responsible for delivering the Awareness Manuals to new residents.
- The EDCFSC has notified the GFFSC that the USFS re-submitted a previous GFFSC’s grant application last year and GFFSC was awarded \$180k in grant fundings. Steve Hupner will be Point of Contact.

B. 2020 GFFSC Fundraiser BBQ- Mark Almer/David Manske Discussion/Action Item

- Sign-Up sheet for annual BBQ committees passed around
- BBQ committee meeting- All Council members to attend- scheduled on Saturday, 2/22 at 11am Grizzly Flats Community Church Lodge.

C. Sign up for the 2020 Committee Positions- Mark Almer Discussion/Action

- Sign-up sheet for Committee position passed around.
- Craig Heinrich will be leading the Community Clean Up Day in September

13) Committee Reports

A. Public Outreach Coordinator – Deb Gregory

- Working on January Newsletter this week.

B. Defensible Space - Steve Frazier/Robin Kelley-

- Robin posted flyer on bulletin board

C. Grants – Randy Rossi/Tracey Schaal/Kelly Krohn/

- Kelly Krohn will be setting up a meeting based on everyone’s schedule
- Steve Hupner to mentor the committee

D. Public Education-Deb Gregory

- Safety Day Planning Committee meeting rescheduled to Feb 6th due to weather.

E. Standing Committee on Middle Fork - Randy Rossi/Robin Kelly

Nothing new

F. El Dorado County Vacant Parcel/Weed Abatement Ordinance - Ad Hoc

- No action.

14) Public Announcements

- Kelly Krohn will be doing the Census this year and is a contact for El Dorado County. She reported the agency needs more Census Takers. Census Taker, will be paid between \$18-\$22 per hour. Interested parties can contact Kelly Krohn for more information.

15) For the Good of the Order

- ORFSC Chair Paul Graham expressed an interest in networking with the GFFSC. His focus is to help with event's and projects.

16) Adjourn

- With a motion from Steve Frazier and a second from Mary Lou Brown, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00pm

Regular Local Fire Safe Councils and District Meetings:

- Grizzly Flats FSC - 1st Saturdays 9:30 AM, Grizzly Flats Community Church
- Pioneer Fire Protection District - 2nd Tuesdays 6 PM,- Station 38
- Pleasant Valley FSC - 2nd Thursdays 7 PM - Pleasant Valley Community Hall
- Aukum/Fairplay FSC- 3rd Wednesdays 7 PM - Pioneer Park Hall
- Omo Ranch FSC - 4th Saturdays 9 AM – Indian Diggings School