



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

Minutes October 3, 2020 9:30 a.m.-
Telephone Meeting

- 1) Call to order
- 2) Flag Salute was led by Kathy Melvin
- 3) Roll Call
- 4) Meeting Room Cleanup Volunteers- Not needed; Timekeeper Volunteer- Robin Kelley
- 5) Approval of the October 3, 2020 Agenda- **Motion** to accept the Agenda made by Kelly Krohn with a second from Kathy Melvin, **Motion** passed unanimously.
- 6) Approval of the September 12, 2020 Minutes- **Motion** to approve as ammended made by Kelly Krohn with a second from Kathy Hawkins. **Motion** passed unanimously.
- 7) Treasurer's Report- Robin Kelley - The Treasurer reported a bank balance of 31,148.40.
- 8) Public Comment
(Limited to 3 minutes - only for items not on the agenda)
- 9) Council Member's Comments
(Limited to 3 minutes - only for items not on the agenda)

Mark Almer reported the Board met and based on the Church's schedule the Grizzly' Flats Fire Safe Council's Annual BBQ will need to be held on the 4th Saturday in July this year which is July 24th, if it can be held. The Fourth Saturday with be the date for future BBQ events as well.

Because of the Covid 19 restrictions currently in place and likelihood it will extend through the year, the Tabletop exercise is to be postponed to the Spring of 2022. This is due to all the work and planning that would need to begin in December, and this is not an event that can be done virtually.

- 10) **Agency Reports**
 - A. BOS Reports District 2 Supervisor. - Shiva Frentzen
Not present

B. Pioneer Fire Protection District –Chief Mark Matthews/Battalion Chief Mike Stutts
Not present

C. Department of Transportation (DOT) – Brian Mullens
Not present

D. Grizzly Flats Community Service District - Kim Gustafson
No report

D. Sheriff – John D’Agostini/Jack Kerruish
Not present

E. El Dorado County Fire Safe Council - Ernie Lory

Ernie Lory reported:

El Dorado County Fire Safe Council held a Zoom meeting on September 16th.

The Fire Chief’s Association is working with the insurance companies in trying to get an El Dorado County specific rating system.

AB38 hardening of homes was signed. CalFire is requiring no vegetation within 5 feet of the structure around the home.

The County Fire prevention officers are trying to get funds for generators for when power shuts off. This would be for the Sub Stations and the cell towers that do not currently have generators.

The Chipping program is still open but will be closing in mid or late November depending on applications and funds available.

The Defensible space for Veterans and Seniors with Low income is closed. They are working through the last of the applications.

The El Dorado County Fire Safe Council has approved the Neighborhood Radio Watch Program as a Social Media Network platform, not for emergency response transmissions as only the Sheriff’s Department can transmit that information.

G. California Highway Patrol – Public Information Officer - Andrew Brown
Nothing to report

H. USFS - District Ranger Scot Rogers/Rick Hopson
Not present

I Amador El Dorado Unit Cal Fire - Public Information Officer- Diana Swart
Diana Swart reported she is learning a lot this year. Trying to get information out on the social media outlets, Twitter and Facebook.

Firefighters are spread throughout the state. There are cover engines that come in from other Counties to help if an event happens.

There was the Copper Fire that started on Highway 16 in an area with dense dry fuel. This is now under control. Crews are patrolling the area to make sure nothing else sparks.

Make sure your generators are in good working order. These are the calls that are being responded to during the power shut-offs.

J. Neighboring Fire Safe Councils

1. Aukum/Fairplay
2. Omo Ranch
3. Pleasant Valley

11) **Old Business**

A. Emergency Evacuation Route Signage – Chief Matthews/Mike Stutts – Discussion/ Action Item

Mark Almer reports the Fire District is getting close to wrapping up posting of the signs. Once this is done GFFSC will be working with Chief Matthews and Kara Garrett to get the information out to the public regarding the signs and routes.

B. GFFSC Vacancies – Mark Almer/Ernie Lory- Discussion/Action Item

Mark Almer reported Grizzly Flats Fire Safe Council had 6 open positions and 2 applicants.

Ernie Lory reported the GFFSC held an email ballot process with one telephone ballot which has been completed. Ernie stated both applicants, Manuel Lopez, and Logan Gregory, received majority votes and were voted on to the Council.

C. AT&T Phone Issues- Mark Almer/Kelly Krohn/Phill Dayton
Discussion/Action Item

Steve Frazier made a **motion** to pursue talks with AT&T regarding the phone issues. Liz Lawless seconded the **motion**. The **motion** passed.

D. Capps Crossing Road Issues- Mark Almer Discussion/Action

Mark Almer reported that he has contacted District Ranger Scot Rogers and Scot has contacted the USFS Engineering office regarding repairs on Capps Crossing. Still waiting to hear back. Will have more to report next month.

12) **New Business**

A. Revised Fuel Reduction Project Priority List (Table B) – Mark Almer
Discussion/Action Item

Robin made a **Motion** to move forward on the master project plan as discussed with map and projects accepted, with a second from Lori Findley. **Motion** passes unanimously.

13) **Committee Reports**

A. Public Outreach Coordinator – Deb Gregory

Deb Gregory- Advised if anyone had information they want posted in the Newsletter or Facebook to email her.

B. Defensible Space - Steve Frasier/Robin Kelley

Robin Kelley states she did a Defensible Space review for Seniors.

Lori Findley thanked Robin Kelley for doing a Defensible Space review of her property as well.

C. Grants – Ernie Lory/Kelly Krohn/David Manske

Ernie Lory stated everything was covered under New Business.

D. Public Education – Deb Gregory/Kelly Krohn/Molly Irish

Kelly Krohn talking with friends and contacts with Community Contact Council to create a Community Center in Grizzly Flats.
Also states looking into creating a Grizzly Gazette.

E. Fundraising- Kelly Krohn/Robin Kelley/David Manske

Kelly Krohn has been doing a lot of research into types of fundraising available for the Council.

14) Public Announcements

Steve Frazier states just because you buy a new generator does not mean it is safe. States there is a man who can do a safety check on generators living in Grizzly Flats. Also, Steve Frazier does work on generators as well.

15) For the Good of the Order

16) Adjourn

Motion to adjourn from Steve Frazier with a 2nd from Kelly Krohn, **motion** passed.

Regular Local Fire Safe Councils and District Meetings:

Grizzly Flats FSC - 1st Saturdays 9:30 AM, Telephone Meeting (Temporary)
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

Retroactively submitted for electronic storage on July 24, 2022 and the content is fundamentally accurate to the best of my knowledge,



Mark Almer
Chairperson