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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 – April 1, 2023, 9:30 a.m.

Meeting Location: Virtual - Zoom

- 1) Call to Order the meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chairman Mark Almer
- 2) Flag Salute was led by Matt Nunley
- 3) Roll Call roll was taken by both Secretary Deirdre Girardi and Chairman Mark Almer
- 4) Timekeeper Volunteer Robin Kelley was timekeeper
- 5) Approval of the April 1, 2023 Agenda Mel Kelley motioned and David Maske seconded the approval of the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.
- 6) Approval of the March 4, 2023 Minutes Mel Kelley motioned and David Maske seconded the approval of the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.
- 7) Treasurer's Report Treasurer, Robin Kelley reported:

Checks written:

Wildland RX \$1,593.75 CWPP Consultation

Mark Almer \$152.52 Advertising for Firewise event

Bank Balance: \$50,370.31

- 8) Public Comment Limited to 3 minutes for items not already on the agenda none
- 9) Council Member Comments Limited to 3 minutes for items not already on the agenda Mark Almer commended members for responding to the survey about zoom or in person. The responses are tied. Mark Almer made note that the June meeting will be in person even if others are via zoom. Ernie Lory is reviewing a draft of a county fire safe document and requested members to submit their understanding or definition of "community" in the context of El Dorado county. Mark Almer asked council members to send what they understand about a definition of community. Matt Nunley Willow School Fire House Matt Nunley presented the idea that volunteers could update the house located next to the

firehouse to make it liveable. Mark Almer shared that the FEMA monies may be redirected to Fire Station 31 for updates to the facilities; however updating the house to government standards for actual living quarters is not feasible due to the cost to meet these standards.

10) Agency Reports

- A. <u>BOS District 2 Supervisor</u> George Turnboo not present
- B. <u>Pioneer Fire Protection District</u> PFPD Chief Dave Whitt/Fire Marshal Ken Earle not present
- C. <u>El Dorado County Department of Transportation</u> Dep. Director Maint. Brian Mullens not present
- D. <u>Grizzly Flats Community Services District</u> District Manager Kim Gustafson not present
- E. <u>El Dorado County Sheriff's Office / OES</u> Deputy Bare present Reminded everyone to sign up for the emergency system
- F. <u>El Dorado County Fire Safe Council</u> Ernie Lory The FSC met on March 31, 2023. The Commission on Aging is working on combining resources of county services to be one package of services. The county continues to work on reaching out to the rural areas. El Dorado County will be its own district there are 39 in the state. Ernie Lory shared David Manske's video at the Women's Funds El Dorado Showcase:

 https://drive.google.com/file/d/12PFzzEeaoF8hwbZSzwqBhvZWFFuP5x_j/view?usp=s

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 This spurred an extensive conversation about defensible space and ways to share this informational video with the GF residents.
- G. <u>California Highway Patrol</u> Public Information Officer Andrew Brown not present
- H. <u>U.S. Forest Service</u> Placerville Dist. Ranger Scot Rogers not present
- I. <u>CAL FIRE, Amador-El Dorado Unit</u> –Battalion Chief Josh Vickers not present
- J. Neighboring Fire Safe Councils
 - 1. Aukum/Fairplay not present
 - 2. Omo Ranch not present
 - 3. Sand Ridge not present
- K. Long Term Recovery Group Jennifer Hibbard not present

11) Old Business

- A. Mark Almer Discussion/Action Mark Almer reported there are still vacancies on the Council and for the members to let their friends and neighbors aware of the opportunity to join the Council and serve the community.
- B. Time Sheet Submittal David Manske Discussion/Action- quite a few have been turned in and get all timesheets in.
- C. Routes out of the Community Signage Mark Almer Discussion/Action Return to May meeting Scot Rodgers was not present
- D. Annual Firewise Day/BBQ Mark Almer / David Manske Discussion/Action the committee met and committee leads are recruiting.
- E. Community Clean-Up Day Craig Heinrich and Robin Kelley Discussion / Action Robin Kelley reported that they are looking at a date in August. Olivia Moreno shared that they have heard that the county is working to do a community clean up in spring. Mark Almer

shared that Rep. Turnboo contacted him about community members requesting green waste clean up. Mark Almer stated that he put Supervisor Turnboo in touch with Craig Heinrich (committee chair) for more details on the Clean Up.

12) New Business

A. 2023 Community Service Award nominations - Mark Almer – Discussion/Action - Mark Almer gave an overview of the award and let everyone know that the nomination period is open from now until April 15th; nominations must be sent to Mark Almer's email. The nomination must include the name of the nominee and the qualifications for this award. The executive board will review the nominations and awards will be presented at the June meeting. Mark Almer shared the list of previous winners; some of whom are council members and some were not.

13) Committee Reports

- A. <u>Public Education</u> Mark Almer / Jennifer Hibbard nothing currently to report other than the FireWise event coming up in June 2023.
- B. <u>Defensible Space –</u> Robin Kelley / Liz Lawless / David Manske / Matt Nunley Robin Kelley is preparing for the FireWise event and thinking about updates she wants to do on the website. Matt Nunley will be a member of the defensible space committee.
- C. <u>Grants</u> Ernie Lory / David Manske Ernie Lory: Cal Fire Green Schoolyard Cycle grant GFFSC is not able to submit an application because our community doesn't meet the criteria. The Caldor restoration grant work is continuing. RCD will share at the FSC meeting the status of the work. Robin Kelley and Ernie Lory were informed that a Daisy Girl Scout Troop would like to be part of the GF replanting; Robin Kelley and Ernie Lory are working with the troop members to make this happen.
- D. <u>Fundraising</u> Robin Kelley / David Manske / Jennifer Hibbard Robin Kelley: no donations since the March 2023 meeting. David Manske: no orders for signs since the March 2023 meeting.
- E. <u>Website</u> Jennifer Hibbard / Robin Kelley / David Manske Robin Kelley reported that she hasn't had time to explore or work on this.

14) Public Announcements - none

- **15) For the Good of the Order** 2023 Community Service Award nominations. Scott Edwards requested permission to use the video for the Camino FSC.
- **16) Adjourn** Mark Almer called for the meeting to be adjourned at 10:26. Robin Kelley motioned and Manuel Lopez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Deirdre Marsh-Girardi

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Secretary