



## Amador Fire Safe Council

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*“The Mission of the Amador County Fire Safe Council is to protect the people of Amador County and their property from the effects of catastrophic wildfire through education, cooperation, innovation and action. “*

Amador Fire Safe Council  
Executive Board of Directors Meeting

### **MINUTES**

April 15, 2015

Amador County Agriculture Department Conference Room  
12200 – B Airport Road, Martell

Attendance: Cathy Koos Breazeal, Executive Director, Amy Rocha, Secretary, NRCS; Paul Maben; Elena Knox; Connie Gonsalves, Rebecca Brown, John Heisenbuttal, John Hoffman, Tom Tinsley, Proxy from Steve to Rebecca and Jan Bray to Paul Maben.

1. Call to Order – 3:02 pm by Vice Chairperson Rebecca B.
2. Agenda – Motion to Amend to add Resolution for Amador Hazard Mitigation Plan. EK; Second CG; MPU (Motion Passed Unanimously)
3. Introductions -
4. Minutes – Motion to approve CG; 2<sup>nd</sup> PM: MPU
5. Treasurer’s Report
  - A. EK reviewed report – questions about lines and columns not adding up. They weren’t supposed to add up on report.
  - B. NFF grant – invoices to both districts of Forest Service for reimbursement.
  - C. Title III – Cover letter will be sent to Cathy, Cathy will print and get Steve to Sign.
    - i. Packet will be scanned and sent to Jennifer Burns by Thursday.
    - ii. Elena will email invoices to John this evening. Send comments to board for comment by Monday. Send letter/packet to Jennifer Burns at BOS to get on Agenda.
6. Executive Director’s report – See Attached

- A. Did a power point tutorial on burn piles.
  - B. Smoke panel – most issues are Neighbor on Neighbor issues. Exploring other uses of pine needles. +110 people in attendance.
  - C. Will have 2 weeks of containers starting wildfire awareness week in shake ridge corridor.
  - D. Greenhouse gas grant – sent email, no responses asking how to move forward.
    - i. Requesting \$150,000 – Moonlight Ridge – Surrey Junction 15% admin Deadline June 10<sup>th</sup>.
    - ii. 300 proposals - \$120 million in request - \$26 million available – money will be moved around state in future. Will send out email on direction ask for vote to move ahead or not.
  - E. Western States WUI – Pine Acres & Mitchel Mine – VMP for Pine Acres in Fall. Brian M – 30-40 acres Grazing Demo. Brian M may have some sites for Demo.
7. AFSC invoices Confirmation – All preapproved.
8. Announcements – April 30<sup>th</sup> presentation with speakers – EQIP
9. Committee/Grant Reviews – see ED report
10. New Business –
- A. Hazard Mitigation Plan –
    - i. Good for 5 yrs.
    - ii. Need resolution from Board
    - iii. Hazards we ID for County used. Drought along with invasive species along with Fire vulnerability
    - iv. Includes Outreach and Maintenance
    - v. Projects and concerns taken from CWPP.
    - vi. Resolution – That AFSC support Amador County Hazard Mitigation Plan Annex G. EK moved. 2<sup>nd</sup> PM. MPU at 4:22 pm. Resolution attached.
  - B. New Board Member – Richard Yarnell, PG&E – will attend next month
    - i. 1 decline, 2 no reply
  - C. Officer Nominations
    - i. Secretary – Amy
    - ii. Treasurer – Elena will stay on through Title III and help find someone.
      - A. Tabled until next Month – Discussion of hours of meeting – stay the same and add ¼ evening speaker meetings.
11. Public Comments –
- A. J. Heisenbutter – GHG grant meeting – working with other foresters to figure out carbon calculations.

B. John Hoffman – Secure Rural Schools (Senate Bill) - Title III monies could be less \$ in future.

12. Next Meeting – May 21, 2015 – Cathy absent.

13. Adjourn 4:36 pm