



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

June 18, 2014

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

Attendance: Steve Bonner, President; Rebecca Brown, Vice President; Elena Knox, Treasurer; Directors Jan Bray, Connie Gonsalves, Tony Migliaccio; proxy from Helen page; Guests CAL FIRE Division Chief Tom Tinsley; USFS Fuels Officer Robyn Woods; John Heissenbittel, Heissenbittel Natural Resources Consulting; John Hofmann, Consultant to Amador County Board of Supervisors; Cathy Koos Breazeal, Executive Director.

1. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order by President Steve Bonner at 3:02 p.m.
2. Approval of Agenda. Motion, R Brown, 2nd E Knox, Motion Passed Unanimously (MPU).
3. Introductions.
4. Approval of Minutes of May 21, 2014. Motion R Brown; 2nd, E Knox, MPU
5. Treasurer’s Report. Presented by E Knox. To save paper and ink, report will be sent electronically to the AFSC Board, and print Project Balance only. Discussion regarding line items (Bank error & intuit lines – blank – what is purpose; change ACCG/NFF grant start to 9/1/13; define \$122,000 line item; number rows for 2nd page; have report follow our fiscal year of 4/1 to 3/31.) Motion to approve by C Gonsalves, 2nd by T Migliaccio, MPU.
6. Executive Director’s Report. Motion by J Bray, second by R Brown for E Knox, C Koos Breazeal, L Blevins to meet with J Hofmann regarding Title III
7. Invoices for approval. All expenses for the month were pre-approved (payroll, taxes, bookkeeping, in lieu payments for completion of Sherwood project).
8. Announcements. None
9. Committee/Grant Reviews. Covered under Executive Director’s Report. Additional discussion of the delayed funding of the CA FSC grant “Fire Adapted Amador,” and

some homeowner complaints to their legislators, senators, and congressmen; Forest Service has now potentially delayed funding another 90+ days. Additional discussion regarding a homeowner complaint to AFSC Director regarding response from Bureau of Land Management and needed maintenance on a BLM parcel and roadway on Moonlight Ridge in Pine Grove.

10. Old business.

- Employee Handbook. R Brown is working with C Koos Breazeal on reformatting and incorporating the new requirements by CA FSC into existing document.

11. New business. None.

12. Public Comments.

- CAL FIRE Division Chief Tom Tinsley discussed the proposed SRA fee project list submitted by C Koos Breazeal to CAL FIRE. Currently 3 sources of funding: shovel ready VMP; approximately \$10 million available soon to FSCs for fuels reduction; and possibly \$40-50 million in Cap and Trade funds. Calls for proposals may begin in late July/early August.
- Firewise Discussion. Sherwood is ready for final documentation. J Bray has a potential community interested in becoming a Firewise Community in the Meadowlark Lane area. C Gonsalves/R Brown recommended more public presentations and city council-type venues; C Koos Breazeal will schedule as soon as CA FSC Firewise funds arrive.
- Sherwood Forest discussion. A long-time resident of Sherwood Forest shared with E Knox that at one time, CAL FIRE ran a bulldozer on the lava cap along Little John, for the purpose of a shelter-in-place location. How is work like that maintained?

13. Next meeting, July 16, 2014, 3:00 p.m.

14. Adjournment. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.