Minutes of the June 20, 2013 General Meeting

CALL TO ORDER
The general meeting for the Fire Safe Council East Orange County Canyons was called to order by Mary Schreiber at 7:05 pm on June 20, 2013 at 27641 Silverado Canyon Road, Silverado CA 92676.

ROLL CALL
The following FSCEOCC Board of Directors were present: Mary Schreiber, Tom Smisek, Deanna Craig, Pat Antrim, Bob Click, Dick Ertman, Steve Kerrigan

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE: The following community members were present: Bruce Newell (M), Joanne Hubble (M), Robyn Chapman (S), Marc Grossman (S), Connie Nelson (S), Geoffrey Sarkissian (M), Brett Peterson (S), Mike Ferdig (OCFA)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2013 General Meeting and June 10, 2013 Board of Directors Meeting was made by Director Schreiber, motion seconded by Director Ertman. Motion passed.

CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: None

OFFICER’S REPORTS
- President Schreiber - none
- Vice President Smisek - none
- Secretary/Treasurer Craig. Presented to record June 2013 Treasurer Report. Motion to accept by Director Ertman, seconded by Director Smisek. Treasurer Craig reported that Grant SFR-18 Draw #1 was funded and received. Check #1027 was presented for approval to Robyn Chapman in the amount of $660.00 for Grant Administration Feb, Mar, April 2013. In addition Treasurer Craig made a motion to move $ 853.00 from encumbered SR-18 Grant funds to General Fund as reimbursement for workers compensation insurance premium included and funded with Draw #1. Motion seconded by Director Smisek. Motion passed.

COOPERATIVE PARTNER & AGENCY UPDATES
- OCFA (Mike Ferdig): Reported that home assessment inspections (cabin inspections) would commence in early July. Reminded all that line of emergency communication from the County level with residents is with Alert OC.
- OCFA Station 16 (Bruce Newell): Thanked Director Antrim and FSC for their support on the official Olive Hill parking notification from OCFA to serve as reminder above the need for emergency vehicle right of passage.

OUTREACH & EDUCATION
- FIRE WISE COMMUNITY: Nothing to report at this time.
- STREET SIGNAGE: Director Craig reported intent to have roads identified by next general meeting.
- RED FLAG WARNING PROGRAM: Director Smisek has received approval from Cooks Corner to allow FSC to raise Red Flag on their pole during OCFA Red Flag Warning periods. Director Smisek also in communication with OC Parks regarding installation of pole and support of flag program at Modjeska Canyon Road and Santiago Canyon Road. Continuing to define Red Flag Program Agreement and possible FSC signage. Desired locations include existing pole at Silverado Canyon Road junction, possible new pole(s) at Giracci Vineyards, junction of Modjeska Canyon Rd/Santiago Canyon Rd, Cook’s Corner and continuing to determine who owns pole at junction of Santiago and Modjeska Grade Road.
RESIDENT EMERGENCY INFORMATION LIST: Director Craig carried this subject over from May’s agenda. It was acknowledged that other organizations in the canyon had started an index card system to keep in a file box at Station 14 and Station 16 in case of emergency. It was determined that the Fire Safe Council did not have any ownership or responsibility of this project and would continue to encourage residents to sign up for Alert OC as a way of receiving resident notification.

Modjeska resident Joanne Hubble who serves as the Inter-Canyon League Emergency Preparedness Chairperson shared that her committee is working on expanding a Neighborhood Watch Program into all canyons that could possibly utilize information from the index cards.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

- CWPP: Director Antrim reported that he would like the FSC to continue to seek grant opportunities to help with the update of the current Community Wildfire Protection Plan. In addition he will be reaching out to Faith Berry as a resource for possibly providing us a current template and will be also be speaking to Katie at California FSC regarding the upcoming grant cycle.
- SR-18 Grant: Grant Administrator Robyn Chapman reported that the first draw has been funded. She also reported that the Environmental Compliance letter from the Bureau of Land Management was just received and she hadn’t had time to review it. Director Antrim did mention he had performed a cursory review of the letter and noticed that the project area described did not quite match our intended project area. Administrator Chapman to follow up and reconfirm. Administrator Chapman also notified Board of new Grant identification number 13USFS-SFA0031 for the SR-18 Project. Administrator Chapman was further thanked by the Board and public attendees for her efforts and quality of work performed thus far on this grant. In closing Administrator Chapman volunteered to write up and design a short summary about this grant to be available at all future community educational events as a handout.

NEW BUSINESS

- Modjeska resident Joanne Hubble who serves as the Inter-Canyon League Emergency Preparedness Chairperson asked if the Fire Safe Council could make the OCFA Fire Plans for our community available on our website or via email to residents. Director Antrim made a motion to form a committee to extrapolate relevant resident information from the Fire Plans and put into a condensed resident informational piece. Joanne Hubble and Director Smisek both asked to be included in committee. Director Kerrigan seconded the motion. Motion passed.

CRITICAL DATES

- July 4: Silverado 4th of July Celebration in the Park: FSC to host ice cream booth.
- July 13: OC Parks Wilderness Celebration. Director Smisek to design handout to be used as an order form for emergency supplies in inventory. In addition we would have available the SR-18 Grant handout.
- July 20th: Silverado Concert in the Park. FSC to host ice cream and water booth.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm by President Schreiber.

Respectfully Submitted by Deanna Craig, Secretary/Treasurer
Fire Safe Council East Orange County Canyons