Minutes of the July 19, 2012 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 7:00pm on July 19, 2012 at 29402 Silverado Canyon Road, Silverado CA 92676.

ROLL CALL
The following FSCEOCC Board of Directors were present: Pat Antrim, Mary Schreiber, Tom Smisek, Bob Click
PUBLIC ATTENDANCE: The following community members were present: Judi Bruno (S), Lisa Collins (M), Joanne Hubble (M), Debbie Kelly (T), Steve Kerrigan (S), Gene Robinson (S), Tom Sullivan (M)
AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES: The following agency representatives were present: Chuck Nicola (OCFA)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion to approve the minutes of the June 21, 2012 general meeting made by Tom Smisek. Motion seconded by Gene Robinson. Motion passed.


COOPERATIVE PARTNER & AGENCY UPDATES
• OCFA (Chuck Nicola): Suggested FSC consider holding meetings in alternate locations possibly considering OCFA headquarters. Suggested putting scanner link on website for residents to listen into. Announced planning of ReadySetGo evacuation drill to be held in Cowan Heights sometime in August.
• CANYON WATCH (Gene Robinson): Reported that the Franklin repeater working fine. Canyon Watch will also be assisting with parking for July 21 car show.
• RED CROSS (Tom Hamilton): Introduction of Modjeska resident Tom Hamilton who is also volunteer liaison to Red Cross.

OTHER REPORTS
• ANIMAL EVACUATION & SPECIAL NEEDS (Judie Bruno): Still continuing to gather animal crates to have available. Would like to identify special needs residents throughout the canyons to assist them with disaster preparedness.
• FIRE WISE COMMUNITY (Pat Antrim): National Firewise Community designation received. Will need to continue to monitor volunteer time and events to satisfy annual renewal. Much discussion regarding a signage project for house numbering and visible street signage.

OUTREACH & EDUCATION
• Director Smisek shared new Road Clearance information piece that was sponsored by Specialized Tree Works & Gruett Tree Service to educate residents of clearance requirements to allow safe passage of emergency responders. This piece to is now available to all residents via welcome baskets, library, information kiosk, community summer events, etc.
• Director Smisek working on revising and updating the (2008) 12-page Fire Prevention Brochure.
• Director Schreiber to be hosting an education and outreach table at Blackstar Wilderness Park event on July 28, 2012.

“To provide education, exchange information and foster emergency preparedness, fire prevention and safety in and around the East Orange County foothill and canyon communities.”
CONTINUED BUSINESS

- ROADSIDE CLEANUP EVENT: Director Schreiber continues to help coordinate Roadside Cleanup Event in conjunction with Trails4All All Canyons Cleanup scheduled for September 15, 2012.
- 2013 CALIFORNIA FSC GRANT CYCLE: Applications on target to submit no later than July 31, 2012
- CNF FUEL BREAK: nothing to report
- CWPP: nothing to report

NEW BUSINESS:

- DIRECTOR COMPENSATION: Further clarification is needed regarding FSC-Director’s receiving compensation via federal grant funds for acting as grant manager of any possible awarded grants. Mary to follow up for more thorough detail from attorney.

CRITICAL DATES:

- July 28: ICS-100 Training
- July 28: Wilderness Day Event at Black Start Canyon
- July 31: 2013 California FSC Clearinghouse Grant Applications Due
- September 15: All Canyons Cleanup
- October 10: RedCross Annual Disaster Preparedness Academy @ Anaheim Convention Center
- October 18: Great Shakeout

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm

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