

Sierra County Fire Safe & Watershed Council, INC.

Regular Board Meeting

June 6, 2018 @ 10am

USFS – Sierraville

Minutes

1. Meeting called to order at 10:00am

Roll Call- Bill Nunes, Jim Turner, Patty Hall, Irv Christensen, Dave Goicoechea

Absent: Patty Hall

Others in Attendance- Victoria Fisher, Quentin Youngblood, Paul Roen, Rod Rummel, Steve Mueller, Shane Starr, Danielle Bradfield, Jeff Dowling

2. Approval of Agenda

*n/a

3. Public Comments

*n/a

4. Announcements

*n/a

5. Council Member/ Committee Reports

***Sierra County Defensible Space Dump Trailer Program:** The check is in the bank for the dump trailer purchase but it has a hold on the funding. Everything is in the works to start the program. One question that came up was help in moving the trailer around town in the area of Calpine and Sattley. The drivers will start as volunteers but we could look at paying them for their mileage. Director Goicoechea mentioned that it would be good to have a combo on the trailers to keep them stationary.

Director Goicoechea motioned to hire volunteer drivers for the “call when needed program” and to compensate them for their mileage at the government rate. Motion approved by consensus.

Director Turner said that the drivers of the trailer should have a waiver signed to release the Council from liability if there are any issues with the trailer. Rodd is going to look into sign work in Vinton to see about a quote on the lettering for the trailers. Director Turner said that they are working on the agreement between ARP as long as there is a waiver in place for anyone driving the trailers.

*CWPP Update: Victoria updated on her meeting with Ruby to review the CWPP and possible changes/updates to be made. Also, a suggested budget for Title III came up and was reviewed and discussed by the board.

Director Nunes brought up it would be good to leverage the left-over Title III funding for more future funding that is coming in. He would also like to present to the BOS a budget on the funding so that we can directly allocated the funding. The board agreed to come back and meet to review options for CWPP updates and project planning.

6. Agency Reports

Cal-Fire

*The latest grant cycles have come through very quickly so it was stressed that the council has a plan in place for which projects they would like to move forward on for upcoming grant cycles and have them better planned so it's easy to submit them into a grant cycle.

USFS:

*Quentin said that they had about 510 acres along highway 89 near Impedence Lake that were submitted in a project proposal but they are not sure if they will receive the funding yet. Also, they had a small window to burn today so his staff is doing this right now.

Sierra County:

*n/a

7. Discussion/ Action regarding Executive Director's Report

*Victoria brought up that the board needed to have a document signed and notarized to authorize herself to act on behalf of the board to update and authenticate SAM registration. This is a new requirement by SAM in order to use their system.

Director Turner motioned to approve Victoria as the acting agent of the SCFSWC and to obtain a notarized document to provide to SAM. Director Christensen seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion passed.

8. Meeting adjourned at 11:34am. Next meeting will be July 11, 2018 at am at USFS.