

Agenda
Cuyamaca Woods Fire Safe Council
Meeting Date: Saturday, September 23, 2017
Meeting Time: 9:00 AM

Location: Groth Residence, 5793 Grandview Way, Julian, CA 92036

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1. Welcome/call to order
2. Approval of Minutes for meeting held May 13, 2017
3. Treasurer's Report (Terri Groth)
4. Networking and Communication
5. Grants
 - a. Status of SRAFPF Grant
 - b. SDGE Grant approved
6. Events Planning
 - a. CERT educational event?
 - b. Dumpster Day 10-14-2017
7. Ongoing Status:
 - a. Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP)
 - b. Community Maps
 - c. Road signage -
8. Status of Website
9. New Business
10. Next Meeting Date:
11. Adjournment

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Meeting Notes

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Attendees: John Groth, Terri Groth, Susan Carter, Jon Driscoll, Colleen Manzer, Bill Stowers, Eva Stowers

1. John Groth called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.
1. Approval of Minutes for meeting held January 28, 2017. John read the draft minutes aloud. Susan moved approval, Terri 2nd, all in favor.
2. Treasurer's Report. Terri reported we have ~~\$9718.55~~ **\$20,248.38** in the bank, ~~plus~~ **which includes** \$10,000 we just received as an advance on the SRAFPF grant. She handed out a spreadsheet to show how our funds had been spent. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report, Bill Stowers, Colleen 2nd. All in favor.
3. Networking and Communication. Terri and John said they had to miss the last meeting of the San Diego Fire Safe Council, and the next meeting was postponed to be held in conjunction with the awards in July. Jon reported that he is still actively working on creating the Rancho Heights FSC, which CWFSC agreed to serve as Sponsor for since we already have a 501C3. Jon said they had a WUI workshop, and he showed photos from a clean-up day.
4. Item for approval - POA calendar contribution. Terri moved to contribute \$100 to the POA for inclusion of fire tips in the calendar, Susan 2nd. All in favor. Colleen said she will write up some new fire tips for them to use.
5. Grants
 - a. CCC Grant – completed. Originally the CCC was going to spend 3000 work hours in CW, but they actually spent **4,850** hours working here. John said there were a couple of complaints, but in general everyone was very happy with the job that they did.
 - b. NFPA Grant received – this was the \$500 grant for the May 6th Wildfire Preparedness Day. We actually didn't have to spend the funds because Ramona Disposal donated the dumpster. Because the dumpster was filled by 11:30 a.m., we agreed to do it again (using the \$500 grant money plus some additional) on October 14th. Jon moved approval, Colleen 2nd. All in favor.
 - c. Status of SRAFPF Grant – an advance of \$10K has been received, finally. John said he requested it in February. He will get bids to cut down the 10 trees that were previously identified as dead and that Cheyenne (from Cal-fire) had approved. It was noted that the grant period of performance ends in September, so if we are going to do any more work we need to mark trees and work with Cheyenne for approval ASAP. Eva & Bill said they would look for more dead trees in the zone that the grant funds can be used in,

and mark them with a colored ribbon. Colleen said she would do the same on Starlight Way. John will seek to set up another site visit with Cheyenne.

- d. SDGE Grant application – Terri said she was reluctant to apply again because we really have not spent the grant funds we received earlier, which were for educational programming. Discussion ensued, and it was agreed that we would apply again, but this time it would be for signage to mark the community roads to show exits and how to get to other places (for evacuation purposes), and also “Dead-End Street” or “No Outlet” signs at each community road entrance. It was suggested to Jon that Rancho Heights FSC should apply to SDGE for a \$2500 grant, Terri will forward the link to Jon. *Susan, was there any board action to approve going forward with making the application?*

6. Events Planning

- a. CERT educational event – On hold as Johnny Hake is recuperating.
- b. Free Chipping – still available through RCD, this info is on our website. Discussion whether CWFSC should do free chipping. We decided to have a regular yearly chipping schedule, so we can put the date in the Calendar. Bill Stowers will ask Joe Connolly about doing chipping, since he has a chipper. John will check to see if we can hire the CCC (not just if we have a grant). There is not a very good single place where we can have everyone bring their material to be chipped, so it needs to be a situation where the chipper moves to the locations that have piles ready to be chipped.
- c. “Just Five Feet” Wildfire event completed (discussed above).

7. Road Signage

We had planned to create a prototype of a sign to be installed at the entrance to each community road showing the layout of the road, the turn-around points and where the houses are. This is for emergency info purposes (ambulance and fire). There was disagreement on whether we actually want these signs and how useful it would be to the Fire Dept. Susan moved that we find out from the Fire Dept. what info would be useful to them on the signs, if they were installed, Terri 2nd. All in favor. Colleen said the most useful thing is the printed maps we give to each Fire Station that show the turn-arounds. Susan said she discovered when the Master of that map went missing that the Fire Stations could not find their copies of the map. Colleen felt that if we give them new ones that they will not lose them again, and big ones can be taped to the walls.

8. Ongoing Status:

- a. Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP). Susan has not made new progress. RCD holds a workshop around November usually but it is for CWPP’s that are pretty far along. That might be a useful target date to shoot for.
- b. Firewise Community Application – Colleen recommended we drop this. Its greatest value is for new groups that need some credibility getting started.

- c. Community Maps – John said he has not worked on this project in a while.
9. POA picnic. John agreed to man a table for the CWFSC. Eva said she would join him. Bill said they have a table we can use. Susan said she has the CWFSC banner and will bring it, as well as a box of the Fire Safe CDs that Faith Berry gave us some time ago. It was felt by all that the food we provide to the picnic is essential, not just for the firefighters who attend at our request. Terri had the idea of grilling hot dogs. Jon said if we're going to do it, shouldn't we make them great hot dogs "Firehouse Dogs", and we all agreed. Colleen volunteered Matt Wilson to make the chili (for chili dogs). John will make sauerkraut. Jon will provide the grill and buy the hot dogs, buns, and relish (to be reimbursed by CWFSC) and do the grilling. Eva & Bill will provide chopped onions. Colleen is bringing a large ketchup bottle. Cheese and mustard are also coming. CWFSC invites the firefighters each year – Susan will look for the list she sent out last year.
 10. New Business – Susan said we have an issue with our website that we need to discuss, but since we have run out of time today, it can wait until our next meeting. Just note that the email address president@cwfs.org is not working, and we are using cuyamacawoodsfsc@gmail.com instead.
 11. Next Meeting Date: John will schedule a meeting in July.
 12. Meeting adjourned at 11 a.m.