

## **MINUTES OF THE FIRE SAFE CAMP MEEKER STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING ON 2019/01/14**

Richard Seaman called the meeting to order at 11:04.

**ROLL CALL:** Sheila Denton, Amy Lemmer, Richard Seaman

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING ON 2019/01/07**

Sheila moved, and Amy seconded that we approve the minutes of the steering committee meeting on 2019/01/07.

AYES: 3 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0

### **REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

Previous action items which were completed have been removed from these minutes, uncompleted action items are listed along with new action items at the end of these minutes.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

We discussed the best way to do a demonstration of home hardening and defensible space work on Amy's property. We agreed that education is a significant part of these demonstrations, and that we would want to bring in as many Camp Meeker residents as possible. We discussed whether it was a good idea to involve Caerleon Safford as an educator during these demonstrations. We agreed that Amy should touch base with Caerleon and explore the best ways of having her do fire education in Camp Meeker. It was also suggested that we ourselves can do very basic education on these subjects, and repeat that education as often as makes sense. Tara suggested videotaping the demonstration, so people can watch it online at a later date.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **(1) Steering Committee meeting day and time/Meeting Regularity**

It was agreed that Monday is currently the best day for meetings. Amy suggested that 1.5 hour meetings might be better than 2 hour meetings. We decided that for now we would continue with 2 hour meetings, and revisit the length as things develop.

#### **(2) FSCM Branding**

There was a discussion of the FSCM logo, including the idea of a long banner with a stylized portrayal of the "forest banner photo" currently at the top of each page of our website.

Richard moved that we follow Fire Safe Occidental's lead and call our leadership team the "steering committee", and Sheila seconded this.

AYES: 3 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0

#### **(3) Occidental VFD brochures and door hangers**

Richard said that he attended the Occidental Community Services District board meeting, and spoke with Occidental Fire Chief Ron Lunardi. Ron gave Richard some sample brochures and evacuation notices, which he showed the steering committee. Ron offered us some of these at no cost. There was general agreement that we should take him up on this offer.

#### (4) Large Landowners

Richard mentioned that the steering committee is invited to Bohemia Ecological Preserve on Jan 18<sup>th</sup> to hear about wildfire mitigation efforts being made by various large landowners in our area.

#### (5) Near Term Direction

Carol Rehm was invited to join the steering committee. Amy mentioned that she wasn't enthused about the COPE groups currently, so Carol and Richard will take responsibility for moving those forward.

### **STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS' REPORTS**

None.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

action item: Everyone to bring suggestions for a mission statement to the next meeting.

action item: Amy to look into getting green waste bins for Camp Meeker residents through Recology, as per a November, 2018 article in the Sonoma County Gazette.

action item: Richard to put the SDR "zone language" on the FSCM website.

action item: Richard to contact property owners about FSCM doing defensible space work on their properties.

action item: Richard to contact people on Sylvania Ave about interest in setting up a COPE group.

action item: Amy to contact Caerleon Safford about giving her Home Hardening presentation in Camp Meeker.

action item: Richard to create a wishlist of brochures and other things we want to get.

action item: Amy to contact Fine Tree Care about becoming involved with individual property owners' projects, and supporting FSCM in other ways.

action item: Richard to tell Tom Austin of Camp Meeker Beat about individual property owners' projects, and COPE groups.

action item: Richard to ask North Coast Resource Conservation & Development Council about using their insurance for volunteers, about people making donations to FSCM through NCRC&DC, and about what grants we could be applying for.

action item: Richard to ask Fawn Nekton about volunteers working under people's homeowner's insurance.

action item: Amy to ask Recology whether we can do a tour of their facilities.

action item: Richard to send Amy and Sheila's FireSafeCampMeeker.org email account logins to them.

action item: Amy to research the Dutch Bill Creek watershed council to see if it still exists, and if we would benefit from liaising with them.

action item: Richard to ask Ron Lunardi for Fire Safe Sonoma brochures, and evacuation notices which people can hang on their doors during emergencies.

The meeting adjourned at 13:00. Minutes taken by Richard Seaman.