



Placer Sierra Fire Safe Council

Colfax City Hall
33 S. Main Street, Colfax, CA

Wednesday, April 7, 2011
6:30 P.M.
Minutes

1. Call to Order
 - a. Self Introduction: Karen Calvert, Karina Silvas-Bellanca, Pat Malberg, (Supervisor Montgomery's Field Representative), Ryan Bellanca (Bella Wildfire Services), Otis Wollan, William Hart, Don Adams, Chris Paulus, Ian Gow
2. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Minutes approved with noted changes of spelling for Americorp.
3. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Approved
4. Public Comment
 - a. Jerry Martinez, Bureau of Land Management, introduced himself, offered whatever help he could give and gave readiness update based on funding.
5. Committee Review
 - a. Public Education
 - i. N/A
 - b. Financial
 - i. N/A
 - c. Grants
 - i. Otis: Sierra Vista could possibly sponsor Americorp and Fire Safe Council could split the resources. Looking at fall as it is too late for summer. Discussion: possibly use of Americorp on Applegate Project. Otis will check with Sierra Vista.
 - ii. Ian: Placer Hills Board will not be able to sponsor the McElroy Project for at least another year; they are too busy with their own projects. Discussion: there are other options for the project, we will add this to future meeting's agenda.
 - iii. General discussion about grants and sponsorship roles.
 - d. Website
 - i. Discussion: how can we get the website updated.
 - e. Strategic Plan
 - i. Otis and Bill: Gave an overview of the plan, will be a 50 year plan. Otis and Bill have started the plan and are soliciting the entire council for input.
 - f. Scotch Broom Challenge
 - i. Karina reported about a challenge event that she attended.
 - ii. Karina: We will send mailers to Dutch Flat announcing the Dutch Flat project. We are allowed to use Monte Vista parking lot for the event. Event will run from 9:00 a.m. until Noon.

6. Information / Non-Action Items
 - a. Joanne Drummond: Fire Safe Communities Associating presentation. Currently about a dozen councils. Focus on networking and collaboration and how to accomplish goals without traditional funding sources.
7. Action Item
 - a. Should Placer Sierra Fire Safe Council join the Fire Safe Communities Association.
 - i. After discussion, Council voted unanimously to join the Fire Safe Communities Association.
8. Local Agency Reports
 - a. CAL FIRE
 - i. Chris Paulus made a presentation on PRC 4291. Chris also gave readiness update based on funding.
 - b. Placer Hill Fire Protection District
 - i. Ian Gow not available for presentation
 - c. OES
 - i. George Alves not available for presentation
 - d. Placer County Fire Alliance
 - i. George Alves not available for presentation
9. Announcements and Information
10. Next Meeting date set for April 28, 2011. Adjournment