

Council Communication

November 4, 2014, Business Meeting

Appointment to Wildfire Mitigation Commission

FROM:

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SUMMARY

Confirm Mayor's appointment of Bruce Moats, Stephen Gagne to the Wildfire Mitigation Commission with a term ending April 30, 2015 and Ron Parker to the Wildfire Mitigation Commission with a term ending April 30, 2016.

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

This is confirmation by the City Council on the Mayor's appointment to the Wildfire Mitigation Commission.

Ashland Municipal Code (AMC) Chapter 2.17.020

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION AND REQUESTED ACTION:

None

SUGGESTED MOTION:

Motion to approve appointment of Bruce Moats, Stephen Gagne to the Wildfire Mitigation Commission with a term ending April 30, 2015 and Ron Parker to the Wildfire Mitigation Commission with a term ending April 30, 2016.

ATTACHMENTS:

Applications received



CITY OF
ASHLAND

**APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO
CITY COMMISSION/COMMITTEE**

Please type or print answers to the following questions and submit to the City Recorder at City Hall, 20 E Main Street, or email christeb@ashland.or.us. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the City Recorder at 488-5307. **Attach additional sheets if necessary.**

Name BRUCE MOATS

Requesting to serve on: WILDFIRE MITIGATION (Commission/Committee)

Address 1043 CANYON PARK DRIVE, ASHLAND

Occupation CIVIL ENGINEER-RETIRED Phone: Home 541-482-3976

Work _____

Email moatsb@mind.net

Fax _____

1. Education Background

What schools have you attended? JOHNS HOPKINS UNIV; TEXAS A&M; USC

What degrees do you hold? B.E.S IN CIVIL ENGINEERING;

M.E. IN C.E.; MS IN SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT

What additional training or education have you had that would apply to this position?

2. Related Experience

What prior work experience have you had that would help you if you were appointed to this position?

SERVED 28 YEARS IN THE U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS;

SERVED 17 YEARS AS DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES MANAGEMENT, PLANNING,

AND CONSTRUCTION AT S.O.U.

Do you feel it would be advantageous for you to have further training in this field, such as attending conferences or seminars? Why? YES - IF TO LEARN HOW

OTHER COMMUNITIES DEAL WITH THE CHALLENGE OF EXISTING
IN THE WILDLAND URBAN INTERFACE.



3. Interests

Why are you applying for this position? BOTH THE CHITWOOD FIRE AND
THE SISKIYOU FIRE CAME NEAR OUR HOME AND DEMONSTRATED
THE IMPORTANCE OF PREVENTING/PREPARING FOR WILDFIRES.

4. Availability

Are you available to attend special meetings, in addition to the regularly scheduled meetings? Do you prefer day or evening meetings? YES.
PREFER DAY MEETINGS

5. Additional Information

How long have you lived in this community? 26 YEARS

Please use the space below to summarize any additional qualifications you have for this position

SERVE AS FIREWISE COMMUNITIES BOARD CHAIR FOR
OUR CANYON PARK HOA SINCE ITS INCEPTION IN 2012.

SEPT 29, 2014
Date

Brian E. Montz
Signature



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Name Stephen Gagné

Requesting to serve on: Wildfire Mitigation Commission(WMC)
(Commission/Committee)

Address 155 Westwood St., Ashland

Occupation Filmmaker

Phone: Home 541/488-2669

Work same

Email wcp.reg@opendoor.com

Fax _____

1. **Education Background**

What schools have you attended? New York University School of the Arts (Film)

What degrees do you hold? None. Dean's list, but left NYU in senior year due to job offerings which made continued schooling unimportant.

What additional training or education have you had that would apply to this position?
Arguably, none. Spent 20 years teaching (and designing curriculum) in an alternative school, where I also served as school board's VP and Staff Representative. Currently Chairman of board of Rogue World Music, a local 501c3 that's well funded and active in valley.

2. **Related Experience**

What prior work experience have you had that would help you if you were appointed to this position?

As a filmmaker & educator I've learned to be effective collaborator; easy to work with. I'm a good communicator, with lots of life experience, but I have essentially no direct experience working with local governments, let alone on fire-related issues.

Do you feel it would be advantageous for you to have further training in this field, such as attending conferences or seminars? Why? No.



3. Interests

Why are you applying for this position? I'm a local homeowner; our residence is just a few hundred yards from the edge of the forest that abuts our neighborhood, so I'm naturally concerned about wildfire risks that are increased by landscaping issues. I've had personal experiences on this question due to a neighbor with numerous rows of Leland Cypress, I discovered our town currently lacks any laws that address property owners whose landscaping poses a substantial risk to their neighborhood.

4. Availability

Are you available to attend special meetings, in addition to the regularly scheduled meetings? Do you prefer day or evening meetings? _____

I prefer daytime meetings. Depending, I could be available some evenings also.

5. Additional Information

How long have you lived in this community? Since June of 2002.

Please use the space below to summarize any additional qualifications you have for this position

My qualifications are really all about life experience. Towards that end:

If you check my page on Linked-in, there are recommendations based on my work as director and lead editor of the Thrive Movie, released in 2011, which was 7 years in production with a 7 million dollar budget. To find me on LinkedIn, search for Stephen Gagne and select the Stephen that's described as "Technical Director, musician, and Instrumentalists Coordinator for Rogue World Ensemble" Scroll to the bottom of my page for the recommendations.

You can see the other feature films I've worked on at IMDB (International Movie Database). Go to www.imdb.com and search for my name; the Stephen you want there is listed as "Steve Gagné (II) (Sound Department, The Last Waltz (1978)) aka "Stephen Gagne""

Sept. 22, 2014

Date

Stephen R. Gagne

Signature



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Name RON PARKER

Requesting to serve on: WILDFIRE MITIGATION (Commission/Committee)

Address 501 SCHOFIELD STREET

Occupation RETIRED

Phone: Home (541) 489-0532

Work

Email RPARKER@MIND.NET

Fax

1. Education Background

What schools have you attended? UNIV. OF ILLINOIS

What degrees do you hold? BS - AG ENGINEERING

What additional training or education have you had that would apply to this position?

PREVIOUSLY SERVED ON FIREWISE COMMISSION.
FIREWISE COMMUNITY USA REP; HOA PRESIDENT

2. Related Experience

What prior work experience have you had that would help you if you were appointed to this position?

CAREER BANKER, WELLS FARGO, S.F. CA
HEAD OFFICE, PRODUCT AND PROJECT MGR.

Do you feel it would be advantageous for you to have further training in this field, such as attending conferences or seminars? Why? NO

LIVED THROUGH OAKLAND HILLS FIRE IN 1991



3. Interests

Why are you applying for this position?

WILD FIRE PREVENTION

INTEREST

4. Availability

Are you available to attend special meetings, in addition to the regularly scheduled meetings? Do you prefer day or evening meetings?

YES, DAY

5. Additional Information

How long have you lived in this community?

10+ YEARS

Please use the space below to summarize any additional qualifications you have for this position

9/26/14
Date

Rosalee Parker
Signature

