

MINUTES
ASHLAND FIREWISE COMMISSION
Wednesday, July 20th, 2011
12:00PM to 1:00PM
Conference Room, Ashland Fire Station #1
455 Siskiyou Blvd

I. CALL TO ORDER: 12:05 PM

II. INTRODUCTIONS

Present: Eric Olson, Kathy Kane, Pete Norvell, Ron Parker, Mike Morris, Firewise Communities Coordinator Ali True, Administrative Assistant Kimberley Summers.

Absent: Kelly Gustafson, Jim Hardt, Ron Bolstad and Chief John Karns

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: June 15th meeting- Approved

IV. PUBLIC FORUM

V. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

VI. BUSINESS

- A. Review Volunteer time/Commissioner Handbooks
- B. Commission chairperson appointment – postponed due to lack of quorum at the meeting

- C. Update on current Firewise Communities by Neighborhood
 - a) Briscoe/ We have two applications that are being processed at the national level.
 - b) Grove/ Mountain Meadows is postponing until greater level of residential involvement and participation
 - c) Lincoln/ Merrill Circle community application is pending. Quailhaven and Roca Canyon are planning their Firewise Days
 - d) Terra/ two communities West Terra planning Juniper round-up day in the next month. There are 27 homes in the CERT community. Pinecrest Terrace has one property owner left to contact before moving forward.
 - e) Oak Knoll/ No update from them yet, they will be working on next year's Firewise day.
- D. Discussion of City-wide Firewise project ideas for 2012
 - a. Provide awareness and participation for the community that will meet the goal of this group timeline is Spring/May 2012.
 - 1. Firewise Day proclaimed by the Mayor
 - 2. Firewise landscaping contest provide a sign or award
 - 3. Spring clean up day partnership with the local landfill
 - 4. Look into the dumpster set up on City Property, one day with volunteers to help manage it, cannot leave it overnight
 - 5. Invite one person from each Firewise communities meeting to share the experience tour the neighborhoods
 - 6. Drawing contest with the schools, regarding Firewise
 - 7. Stuffer in the weed abatement educational letter
 - 8. 4th of July Parade – Firewise entry or float

- C. 10 Minute Training – postponed because of lack of time
- D. Suggestions for future Ten Minute Trainings
 - a. Please e-mail any suggestions to Ali True for training opportunities.

VII. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

- a. Firewise flyers available to hand out to the community to gain interest, to help get the word out would be a good idea.

VIII. REVIEW AND SET COMMISSION CALENDAR / NEXT MEETING

- A. Next Regularly Scheduled Meetings: August 17th, September 21st, and October 19th, 2011

IX. ADJOURN: 1:00 PM

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