

MEETING MINUTES OF THE ASHLAND FIREWISE COMMISSION
Wednesday, February 20th, 2013
12:00PM to 1:00PM
Conference Room, Ashland Fire Station #1
455 Siskiyou Blvd

I. CALL TO ORDER 12:00 noon

II. INTRODUCTIONS Ron Parker, Mike Morris, Pete Norvell, Matt Warshawsky, and Kelly Eaton, Staff: Kimberley Summers, Ali True. Absent: Kathy Kane, Eric Olson

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January 16th, 2013 meeting; Approved Pete Norvell, 2nd Kelly Eaton

IV. PUBLIC FORUM: None

V. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA: None

VI. BUSINESS

- A. Review 2012 annual Firewise program report: True-Hand out was provided, talked about the number of homes that made a defensible space, and the number of Firewise homes that participated. Please take the hand out and review the program and take a look at the projects that was listed that the commission worked on.
- B. Review 2013 Firewise Commission Goals and adopt document: Approved document for 2/20/13 Ron Parker made a motion and Kelly Eaton 2nd
- C. Firewise updates:
 - a. Firewise Clean-up Day: Olsen- Flyer was handed out for the 2nd annual Firewise Clean up day, supported by Ashland Recology and Ashland Fire Fighters Association. Valley View Transfer Station will offer ½ off on yard debris the same day
 - b. Firewise 4th Grade unit & Poster Contest: Kane- Meeting is scheduled for Thursday 2/21/13 with Ali True and Kathy Kane.
 - c. Other as needed
- D. Report on Firewise Commission Board Member Survey: Olsen and Norvell- Result summary was handed out and discussed. Included 10 questions and two weeks to answer the questions; 46 people received the survey 22 responded, great results. Presentation will be given at the next meeting in April regarding the outcome.
- E. MYFN meeting 2/26: True- CERT program in Ashland has a “Map Your Neighborhood” program; one of our goals is to reach out to Ashland residents. “Map your *Firewise* Neighborhood” partnership will take place to join the programs. February 26th kick off meeting and Commissioners are invited to attend, from 6:00-8:00 at Fire Station 1. Pending a FEMA grant application.
- F. Report on 2013 Council Goals Development: Morris- In flex, Firewise is being discussed.

VII. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS Update on grant status, approved last night \$75, 000 from ODF biomass funds, home owner grants \$500.00 with the same standards. Firewise Communities’ renewal process is included in this grant.

VIII. REVIEW AND SET COMMISSION CALENDAR / NEXT MEETING

- A. March 20th meeting cancelled due to EOC drill, next meetings April 17th, 2013 and May 15th, 2013

IX. ADJOURN: 1:00 PM

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