MINUTESOF THE ASHLAND FIREWISE COMMISSION

Wednesday, April 18th, 2012 12:00PM to 1:00PM

Conference Room, Ashland Fire Station #1 455 Siskiyou Blvd

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INTRODUCTIONS Present: Kathy Kane, Ron Parker, Mike Morris, Ron Bolstad, Jim Hardt, Pete Norvell, Eric Olson, Kelly Gustafson, Firewise Communities Coordinator Ali True Absent: Kimberley Summers

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 21st, 2012 meeting approved **IV. PUBLIC FORUM** None

V. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA Poster Contest Judging will go first, and photo will be taken of the Commission since all Commissioners are present.

VI. BUSINESS

- A. Firewise Poster Contest Judging winner: each class' posters were judged and class winner and 'most creative' were selected. Commissioners present voted grand prize, with Chief Karns and Kimberley Summers voting after the Commission meeting. Winners will be notified during Firewise Week and prizes given out accordingly. Kathy Kane was thanked for her organization and presentation of the contest.
- B. Photo of Commission taken. Will be posted on website.
- C. Presentation by James Johnstone, SOU student about Firewise 5K. Not present, update provided by Ali regarding work and efforts of student organizer, opportunities to volunteer morning of race.
- D. Update on Firewise Projects and Confirm Volunteer Sign-Up
 - a) Clean-Up Day Commissioner Parker: advertising in place, JPR calendar, handout, city source, e-mail. Volunteer sign up confirmed by Commissioners. Will be part of the press release next week.

Volunteers: 5/6/12

- 1. Mike Morris: 8-9, set-up
- 2. Pete Norvell 9 -11
- 3. Ron Bolstad 9-11
- 4. Kim Gabriel 11-1
- 5. Jim Hardt tentative, maybe late afternoon
- 6. Kathleen Kane 2 hours anytime
- 7. Eric Olson, 4-5, take –down
- 8. Kelly Gustafson, tentative

Still need volunteers for afternoon between 12-4.

- b) Firewise Week Commissioner Bolstad: sign installed, events falling into place. Requested flyers for speaking at local events. 110 for Ron B, 25 for Ron P.
- c) Community updates Ali
 - a. 5/10 event, Strawberry Hill Firewise meeting, commissioners invited
 - b. Blossomview Estates Firewise day next week
 - c. Other communities are renewing status on schedule.

D. Upcoming events

1. Firewise week events, May 5-12, 2012

- 2. City Council Meeting, May 1st and May 15th
 - a. Neighborhood groups and commissioners invited to May 1st meeting
- E. Demonstration of new Firewise Communities Map and website links.
 - a. Commissioners agreed that not having street names for geographical distinction was best. Website will just list the community names and have map available on-line.

VII. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Ali reminded everyone to record their volunteer hours.

VIII. REVIEW AND SET COMMISSION CALENDAR / NEXT MEETING

A. Next Regularly Scheduled Meetings: May 16th, 2012 and June 20th, 2012

IX. ADJOURN: 1:00 PM

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