



# Santa Clara County FireSafe Council Monthly Board Meeting

Topic: FireSafe Council Monthly Meeting  
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Item	Time	Section Title	Agenda Item	Speaker	Attachment
1	1:32 PM	<b>Call to Order</b>		Dede Smullen	
2	1:31 PM	<b>Board &amp; Advisors Reports</b>			
		CAL FIRE	Ed mentioned current Red Flag warnings in the North Bay. Dixie Fire is the 2nd biggest and 14th most damaging fire to date in California; Said Topher is at base camp in Susanville and they're getting chunks of charcoal falling on them. Craig Clements has been posting on Twitter. Looking at new strategies when it's dsafe. Retardant, dozers aren't always effective. National Parks have a let burn policy. Several strike teams and hand crews ar eoutso some things are falling aside until they're back. Doing cone collecting in Henry Coe for seed bank. Drought stressed trees can fall so they have to be extra careful with equipment. LAFCO meeting SC County. Lick observatory 920 trees to be removed that were killed last year. What to do with biomass. PG&E is in Eastern SC County workign with landowners to dispose of trees. Alma to MOffat helitac base moving forward. Phase I almost completed.	Chief Ed Orre	
		SCCFD	Had 25 members go to Dixie fire. Went through his slide presentation.	Mike Mathiesen	
		President's Report	Had nothing to add, but is grateful to all. We can see the importance of what we're doing. She is personally affected by Dixie fire and watching it closely.	Dede Smullen	
3	1:48 PM	<b>Consent Items</b>			
			Approve June 2021 Meeting Minutes		1
			Accept June 2021 Financials		2
			Resolution 2021-07 Authorizing Signing Forest Health Grant Agreement		3
			Resolution 2021-08 Updating Signature Authority for 18CCI Grant		4
			Motion to approve: Joelle H. Paul H. second the motion. YES: Joelle, Shana, Derek, Jesse, Dede, Paul, Sal. Motion passes 7/0 ABSENT: 3		
4	1:50	<b>Action Item(s)</b>			
		<b>Election of the following Board Member for a two year term ending January 2023</b>		Dede Smullen	
		Jared Lewis	Jared introduced himself and gave a review of his experience. Jared was excused while the board discussed. Joelle H. made motion to approve. Sal M. second the motion. YES: Shana, Derek, Jesse, Dede, Paul, Joelle, Sal. Motion passes 7/0 ABSENT: 3		
		<b>Authorization to hire attorney for By-law update</b>		Dede Smullen	
			Motion to approve: Paul H. Shana N. second the motion. YES: Joelle, Shana, Derek, Jesse, Dede, Paul, Sal, Jared. Motion passes 8/0 ABSENT: 3		
5	2:22 PM	<b>Speaker</b>			
		<b>Household Evacuation Behaviour during Wildfires and Considerations for Emergency Communication</b>		<b>Erica Kuligowski, PhD</b>	
				Vice-Chancellor's Senior Research Fellow School of Engineering RMIT University, Melbourne, Australia	

Erica gave a very interesting presentation regarding who evacuates, why and when they evacuate, messaging for evacuations and human behavior.

6	2:55 PM	<b>Activities Reports</b>	5
		<p style="text-align: center;">CEO Report</p> <p>New HR firm, All info will be available to employees online. Can include staff training, hiring, etc. They will have a dedicated team for us. We will start migrating Sept 1 and implement October 1. Line of credit should be approved soon. The 990 will be completed in the next 2-3 weeks. Finalizing the FOrrest Health Grant-working on some beter terms. Working with SJ mayors office for Climate Resiliency Week, a national event. San Jose will be dedicatin git to wildfire. Panel will include Gov, Mayor, Craig Clements, and others in a 1 hour zoom. San Jose Sharks foundatoin go-bags. Will go out to a few thousand.</p>	Seth Schalet
		<p style="text-align: center;">Financials Update</p> <p>Chris went over tax returns and second half of 2021 budget as well as line of credit increase. Finance Committee goes over in detail.</p>	Chris Sommerfield
		<p style="text-align: center;">Managing Director Report</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Hazardous Fuel Reduction Program Report</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Communications, Outreach and Education Report</p> <p>We were awarded the Forest Health Grant for the Los Gatos Creek Watershed Health Collaborative. Went through staffing updates including Irene Armstrong updaing qualifications, new HFR Coordinator Andrew Harmon, Brad is retiring, Eddie and Emily both resigned due to moving. Asana (project management software) rolled out August 1st. Annual chipping program is wrapping up. Mt. Madonna phase 2 begins Sept. 13. Upper Highway 9 is in the permitting process. Mid Page Mill project is in the permission stage. Moody Road evacuation route is in the permission and permitting stage. COE Manager position posting is open. COE events now offer an in-person option compliant with County mandates.</p>	Eugenia Rendler
		<p style="text-align: center;">Grants</p> <p>Pai went through the grants on her slide page. She and Seth will be meeting with SJ Sharks after BOD meeeting.</p>	Pai Venegas
7	3:20 PM	<b>Round Robin</b>	All
		Raise your virtual hand!	
8	3:24 PM	<b>Adjourn General Meeting</b>	
		<b>Next Meeting Date and Location</b>	
		September 21, 2021 Zoom Only	
		<b>Attachments</b>	
		1 June 2021 Meeting Minutes	
		2 June 2021 Treasurer's Reports	
		3 Resolution 2021-07 Authorizing Signing Forest Health Grant Agreement	
		4 Resolution 2021-08 (CCI)	
		5 Manager's Activities Reports	

**2021 Meeting Schedule - Zoom**

September 21, 2021

October 19, 2021

November 16, 2021