



Santa Clara County FireSafe Council Monthly Board Meeting

Topic: FireSafe Council Monthly Meeting
Time: November 16, 2021 01:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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Item	Time	Section Title	Agenda Item	Speaker	Attachment
1	1:30 PM	Call to Order		Dede Smullen	
2	1:31 PM	Board & Advisors Reports			
			CAL FIRE (4 minutes) Ed was not in attendance	Chief Ed Orre	
			SCCFD (4 minutes) Mike discussed a couple of Highway 9 projects; 6 person crews with 2 supervisors. Starting recruitments for positions.	Mike Mathiesen	
			President's Report (2 minutes) Congratulations to Seth on being with us for one year. It's been a pleasure to work with him and he has been a benefit for us. No August or December meetings next year. Perhaps in-person once per quarter, but will depend on COVID situation.	Dede Smullen	
3	1:41 PM	Consent Items			
			Approve October 2021 Meeting Minutes		1
			Accept October 2021 Financials		2
			Adopt Resolution 2021-12 Setting the 2022 Regular Board Meeting Calendar Joelle made a motion; Shana second the motion. Ayes: Dede, Joelle, Paul, Shana, Jesse, Jim, Jared, Sal. Motion passed 8/0. Absent 3 (Kirk, Derek, Erika)		3
4	1:45 PM	Strategic Planning	Strategic Plan Next Steps Paul went through the most recent update. Discussed building the board, staffing, partners and funding. We're doing well, but we want to do more. Branding - what is our Brand. Not done well enough. Grant based large programs mean lots of jobs, but lots of competition. When there is lots of money, there are a lot of people going for it. Need sustainable funding. Where do we want to be? What can we do now to prepare? Outlined top strategic initiatives in his slide presentation.	Paul Hansen	
5	2:00 PM	Speaker	Community WUI Fire Hazard Evaluation Framework.	Alexander Maranghides Wildland Urban Interface Fire Group National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)	
			Alex went through a thorough presentation regarding fire hazard evaluation using the Camp Fire in Paradise as a case study of fire progression timeline. It included their goals of 1) Inform communities about their overall as well as specific WUI fire hazards 2. Allow decision makers to compare communities using a standardized tool; and 3. Allow first responders, particularly mutual aid to gain critical insight into community hazards, egress and other life safety and response related information. He went on to describe the potential benefits.		
6	2:30 PM	Activities Reports			
			CEO Report (5 minutes)	Seth Schalet	4
			Still working with partners SCC Parks and Midpen on their FHG service agreements—going much slower than anticipated; Team has had several rounds of 2022 budget meetings and planning. Aligning current projects and cash flow and looking at possible new revenue opportunities, what they could be and how to incorporate into planning and budgeting; Participated with the FHG-TAC team meetings on the vendor RFP; FHG dedicated savings account is in the process of being set-up to receive funds (FHG advance submitted to CAL FIRE); Continuing moving forward with Insuperity (HR Firm) onboarding. Setting up the accounting/finance and general ledger process Scope of Work (SOW); Working with Pai on developing a 1-2 page outreach letter to use for family foundations to introduce SCCFSC and explore unrestricted general operating support grants. Will be finalized in the next few days and a few test solicitations sent.; On October 26, I invited Helen Wolter, Senator Josh Becker's District 13 representative on a tour guided by Jim Young on the HFR work we have done in the district; Worked with attorney to ensure all filings are completed for the updated and revised Bylaws and AOI. All done and we have copies of the filings and finalized Bylaws.		
			Financials Update (5 minutes) Chris went through his slide presentation	Chris Sommerfield	
			Managing Director Report (10 minutes)	Eugenia Rendler	
			Hazardous Fuel Reduction Program Report Communications, Outreach and Education Report		

HFR Project updates Mid Page Mill completed October 27. Area treated 1.4 total linear miles, 15 to 30 feet from edge of road. Upper Hwy 9 kicked off November 1. Rain delays and holidays have affected work days. 50% complete. Summit Road turnaround was reached Monday. Moody/El Monte Roads kick off Nov 8. **COE Updates:** Saratoga State of the City Address. Firewise quarterly leaders meeting Nov 16.

Grants (5 minutes)

Pai Venegas

Grant Pipeline/Submitted: Safeway/Albertson Foundation; Prospecting a few foundations with Seth for general operating/capacity building funding; Cal Fire Safe Council - Wildfire Evacuation Route Planning and Dev. And Cal OES FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. **Grants Received:** 21SFA CA FireSafe Council for Black Road and Charcoal Road for \$193,628. **Grant Reports:** #7 18CCI (July 1 - September 30).

7 2:55 PM **Round Robin** Raise your virtual hand! All
 Marjorie Kline said she is enjoying the meetings. She wrote a children's picture book and will donate part of the profit to us. Jared mentioned the FHG RFQ. Thanks to Stephen and Eugenia. Jim W talked about the emergency exercise with Town of Los Gatos. More workshops in 2022. Dede said she attended WUI conference which talked about wildfire prep.

8 3:15 PM **Adjourn General Meeting**
Next Meeting Date and Location
 January 18, 2022

Attachments

- 1 October 2021 Meeting Minutes
- 2 October 2021 Treasurer's Reports
- 3 Resolution 2021-12 2022 Regular Board Meeting Dates
- 4 Manager's Activities Reports

2022 Meeting Schedule - Zoom

January 18, 2022	July 19, 2022
February 15, 2022	August - none
March 15, 2022	September 20, 2022
April 19, 2022	October 18, 2022
May 17, 2022	November 15, 2022
June 21, 2022	December - none