



Santa Clara County FireSafe Council
Regular Monthly Board Meeting

Topic: SCC FireSafe Council Monthly Board Meeting
Time: April 18, 2023 01:30 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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PRESENT: Jim W., Jared L., Dede S., Paul H., Kevin C., Erika A.
ABSENT: Shana N., Derek N., Rob R.

Item	Time	Section Title	Agenda Item	Speaker	Attachment
1	1:30 PM	Call to Order and Welcome		Jim Wollbrinck	
			Introductions		
			Roll Call		
			Agenda Review		
			Motion to approve agenda Kevin. Second to Motion: Paul. AYES Jim W., Jared L., Dede S., Paul H., Kevin C., Erika A. Motion Passed 6/0		
2	1:35 PM	Board Announcements		Jim Wollbrinck	
			Acknowledged attendees Suzanne Wheaton, District Director from Dave Cortese's office and Adriel Castro, representing Alum Rock Park. Seth mentioned Paul will be speaking about strategic plan and board retreat, but that the date will change.		
3	1:37 PM	Consent Calendar		Jim Wollbrinck	
			Approve March 2023 Meeting Minutes		1
			Accept March 2023 Financials		2
			Motion to approve Kevin. Second to Motion: Jared. AYES Jim W., Jared L., Dede S., Paul H., Kevin C., Erika A. Motion Passed 6/0		
5	1:45 PM	Board & Advisors Reports			
			Financial Report	Chris Sommerfield	3
			Chris is going through putting things together for auditors then the tax returns. Sustainability account continues to stabilize. Project started 6 months ago for ERTC Covid tax credits so companies could keep employees. One month of time plus about \$9K in cost resulted in us getting about \$90K in tax credits. We amended quarterly tax returns. March YTD Q1 revenue is below plan due to inclement weather. However, there were also lower costs. We are fully staffed. Seth will cover grants. Discussion on sustainability account.		
			Board Chair Report	Jim Wollbrinck	
			Reviews will begin and he will email review committee. This first roll out is a test. Thanks to Seth and board. Determining gaps in expertise to find board members. 6 degrees of separation - we hope board can introduce people they know to join. Discussed donations and new programs Seth and Paul have worked on. Refine strategic plan from what we already have.		
			Board Discussion	Board	
			Goals for April 21st Strategic Plan Session	Paul Hansen	
			Paul discussed strategic plan and board retreat. Change of date and went through a list of topics, process, agenda and outcome. The intention is for board to bring ideas to the retreat. Paul will send out reading materials ahead of time. Board will give Karol dates that don't work so we can come up with new date.		
			CEO Report	Seth Schalet	4
			Seth went through the highlights on his slide and indicated his detailed report is in the packet.		
			CALFIRE Report	Chief Ed Orre	
			Ed did not attend the meeting		
			SCCFD	Chief Mike Mathiesen	
			Chelsea spoke in place of Mike and gave an up date on projects in the coming weeks including Chimeketa evacuation route drill. Seth added that the day after the CWPP meeting he spent the day with Mike and Amanda looking at the annexes.		

6		Special Topic Discussion None for this Meeting		
7	2:30 PM	HFR Program Director Seth spoke on behalf of Amanda who was in Sacramento. He went through the highlights on her slide and indicated her complete report is in the packet. Four more staff are certified for HIZ inspections.	Amanda Brenner Cannon	5
8	2:40 PM	FHG Update Stephen reported from the field at MidPen. Finishing up 12 acres before we move to SJ Water. Access issues with landslides. Should be done with Midpen tomorrow. Lots to coordinate. Environmental and archeological training going on. Wildlife biologist on site completed survey so we could move in. Working with CALFIRE - had to refine reporting. At end of month there will be another invoice. Seth mentioned FHG media day. Jared said SCCFSC has done a great job moving this forward. Jim would like to see before/after pics.	Stephen Harrington	
9	2:45 PM	Grants Report Seth said we've put in for FHG Phase 2 application for \$6.1M. It will be competitive but thanks to those who helped. We did not get CDW grant. They are mostly large scale projects and we have too small proportion of underserved communities in his guess. Will bid on \$10M which is only for counties that have completed the CWPP. We are right there for it. Mentioned a couple of other grant opportunities.	Seth Schalet	
10	2:50 PM	Open Discussion - Board, Advisors, Interested Public Other FDs Reports? Thomas Sutfin mentioned shaded fuel break on Summit Rd. Santa Cruz Co RCD will finish Summit to Hwy 17.	All Chiefs/Advisors	
11	3:00 PM	Adjournment	Jim Wollbrinck	
		Next Meeting Date and Location May 16, 2023 – Zoom		
		Attachments		
		1 March 2023 Meeting Minutes		
		2 March 2023 Treasurer's Reports		
		3 Financial Report		
		4 CEO Report		
		5 Program Director Report		
		2023 Meeting Schedule - Zoom		
		May 16, 2023 – Zoom	September 19, 2023 - Zoom	
		June 20, 2023 - Zoom	October 17, 2023 - Zoom	
		July 18, 2023 - Zoom	November 21, 2023 - Zoom	
		August 15, 2023 - TBD	December 19, 2023 - TBD	