



Promoting Wildfire Safety Through Education and Action

Meeting Agenda: Thursday – October 21, 2021 @ 0900

Join Zoom Meeting

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BOARD MEETING:

- 0900 - 0905: Establish Quorum (P. Van Leer)
- 0905 – 0910: Treasurer Update (K. Varga)
- 0910 – 0920: Gaviota Coast CWPP Update (S. Coffman/R. Hazard)
- 0920 – 0930: Strategic Plan Update (V. Cooper/Committee)
- 0930 – 0940: Introduce Anne-Marie Parkinson – Community Resilience Domain Lead
- 0940 - 1010: RWMP Presentation from Team Leadership
- 1010 – 1030: RWMP Question and Answer Session

- Bin Items:**
- Executive Committee Discussion
 - Hiring of Business Manager/Executive Director
 - LPF Stakeholders Meeting
 - Alisal Fire Update
 - Newsletter

- As Time Permits:** Round Table

Next Scheduled Meeting (Board Meeting): Thursday, November 18th at 0900



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**Santa Barbara County Firesafe Council
Board of Directors' Meeting
October 21, 2021**

Directors Present: Paul Van Leer, John Ahlman, Ted Adams, Kevin Varga, Nic Elmquist, Phil Seymour, Supv Joan Hartmann, Ray Smith, Victoria Cooper, Renee O'Neill, Scott Coffman, Dan Fawcett, Abe Powell

Directors Absent: Rob Hazard, Renee O'Neill

Meeting has a quorum as identified in Article IV. Section 9 of the Bylaws

Call to Order

09:00 AM- P. Van Leer calls the meeting to order and confirms quorum

Minutes

Previous minutes approved over email and are available on the website under "Meetings"

Treasurers Report

- K. Varga reviews Balance and Profit and Loss Statement attached to these minutes
- Reports out that he is in the process of converting to Quickbooks which will help organize and expedite the bookkeeping process
- Highlights the fact that the FSC needs to hire a CPA and he will start looking for options
- K. Varga will coordinate with J. Ahlman on the SCE grant renewal

Follow Agenda:

1. Gaviota Coast CWPP Update (S. Coffman)
 - A public workshop was held on Sept. 28th and can be viewed on webpage and FSC You Tube channel: (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tjS7slPX5Po>)
 - Reports that the sub-committee was involved during and after the Alisal fire as they coordinated with IMT Liaisons and communicated information to community residents
 - Coordinated a post fire meeting with Supv. Hartmann's office and Public Works to discuss post fire impacts and potential short- and long-term mitigation actions
 - P. Van Leer reports the benefits of the Ag Pass Program and how it was utilized during the Alisal Fire. Several sources provided positive reviews about the program. The fire caused additional interest in the program and there will be follow-up meetings and training.

- Websites about the Ag Pass Program: <https://anrcatalog.ucanr.edu/pdf/8685.pdf> , <http://www.countyofsb.org/agcomm/agpass.sbc>
2. FSC Strategic Plan Update (V. Cooper)
 - The draft plan continues to go through review and updates by the sub-committee
 - Plan is to have the draft finalized by the next Board meeting
 - Supv. Hartmann highlights the connection between the Regional Priority Plan (RPP) and hopes the RPP and Regional Wildfire Mitigation Program (RWMP) can be incorporated into the FSC Strategic Plan
 - P. Seymour recognizes all the hard work by R. O'Neill and others on the sub-committee on this important project
 3. Introduce Anne-Marie Parkinson
 - Anne-Marie Parkinson introduces herself to the FSC as the Community Resilience Domain Lead for the RWMP
 4. Front Country Fire Restriction Update (Gordon Sichi)
 - Provides update on the open fire ban on the SB Front Country
 - Shows picture of the sign and explains how and where they will be used
 - Coordinated with Wendy Motta (Carbajal Office) to obtain signs from SB County, but hoping to secure a funding source to purchase additional signs (~\$15,000/sign)
 - R. Smith and others raise concern about placing the signs without enforcement. Consensus is enforcement should be a key component of the overall strategy
 - Supv. Hartmann recommends the FSC provide a comprehensive proposal that she can help present to County leadership
 5. Regional Wildfire Mitigation Program presentation
 - Presentation is posted on webpage: <https://sbfiresafecouncil.org/featured-presentations/>

Motions:

1. P. Seymour motions to provide Anne-Marie discretionary spending authority for a total of \$2,000 for administrative purchases after receiving approval from president or treasurer. (R. Smith Seconds, All in favor)

Action Items:

1. K. Varga and J. Ahlman coordinate on the SCE Grant
2. Finalize Strategic Plan (Sub-committee)

Next Meeting Agenda Items:

1. Regional Priority Plan Presentation
2. Executive Committee formation discussion and hiring of Business Manager/Executive Director – Assist with workload on current Directors and develop a process to make decisions more efficiently
3. LPF Stakeholder meeting representation; R. O'Neill and S. Coffman offered to attend on the FSC's behalf
4. Periodic Newsletter (quarterly/bi-annually), subcommittee discussion

5. Confirm 2022 Meeting Schedule
6. Alisal Fire Update

Future Meeting Schedule and Guest Speakers:

1. November 18th – Board Meeting
2. December 16th – Board Meeting

Identified Subcommittees:

1. Gaviota CWPP – R. Hazard, J. Ahlman, N. Elmquist, P. Van Leer (P. Coffman as Project Manager)
2. Regional Wildfire Mitigation Program – M. Moritz, R. Hazard, K. Varga, P. Seymour
3. Membership Management – A. Powell, Supv. Hartmann
4. Strategic Plan Development – R. O’Neill, V. Cooper, P. Seymour, S. Coffman

Board Adjourned at 10:50 AM.

Minutes respectfully submitted: Nic Elmquist

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Treasurer Report – Kevin Varga

Income		
Date	Memberships/Donations	Amount
09/15/2021	Jennifer Cushnie and Dennis Allen	100
09/15/2021	Jeffrey and Wendy Kruthers	100
09/15/2021	Renee O'Neill	100
09/15/2021	Gordon and Suzanne Sichi	50
09/15/2021	Ray Smith	50
09/15/2021	Dave and Barbara Bianchi	25
09/17/2021	Paypal Memberships/donations	71.85
Expenses		
RWMP		
10/06/2021	Anne-Marie Laptop and Insurance	1822.19
10/07/2021	Anne-Marie Net Pay 1	1430.47
10/07/2021	Payroll taxes	707.03
SCE 2021 Grant		
09/21/2021	WackyPuppy yearly website fee	2499
Unrestricted Funds		
09/20/2021	Monthly Zoom charge	14.99
09/22/2021	Techsoup QBO purchase	75
10/07/2021	Alliant cyber liability renewal	464.63
10/07/2021	Alliant SLIP renewal	1699.92
10/07/2021	Payroll Vault bill	328.5
10/19/2021	Monthly Zoom charge	14.99
Balance		
10/20/2021	Total	161,206.62
10/20/2021	Unrestricted	30,776.72