

**FIRESafe Marin  
Minutes of Regular Meeting  
Friday, January 12, 2007**

**Attendance:**

Lynne Osgood	FSM Coordinator
Kent Julin	Marin County Fire / FSM President
Roger Sprehn	Corte Madera Fire
Eva DeNegri	Sheriff OES/FSM Secretary
Lori Jessell	Novato Fire
Dick Sadler	Black Canyon Neighborhood
Phil Gibbons	Davey Tree
Paul Smith	Kentfield Fire
Chris Bramham	Marin Open Space
Gary Miltimore	Marin Conservation Corps
Emily Johnson	MWFD
Pete Martin	FSM Treasurer
Casey May	MMWD
Mike Meszaros	IPUD-Fire
Ken Massucco	MCFD
Nicholas Salcedo	MMWD
Mike Swezy	MMWD
Alex Naar	NPS - GGNRA
Roger Wong	NPS - Pt. Reyes N.S.
Anita Brown	Bolinas Fire
Greg Holquist	PG&E
Emily Spillet	Davey Tree Resource for PG&E
Carl Sanders	MMWD
Roger Meagor	Ross Valley Fire
Mary Ellen Irwin	San Rafael Fire
Anna Seslar	SRFD
Bradley Mark	SRFD

- 1. Call to order:** 9:08 AM by President Kent Julin in the Marin County Emergency Operations Center (EOC).
- 2. Agenda reviewed and approved with no changes:**  
(Sprehn/Meagor)
- 3. Vote in Board of Directors for 2007:**  
**Motion was approved to re-elect the current Board members with term expirations in 2008 and 2009** (Naar/May). Kent Julin polled the room to see if anyone wanted to be President for 2007; no one was interested. **Motion was approved to make Scott Alber the President, Kent Julin the Vice-President, Eva DeNegri the Secretary and Pete Martin the Treasurer** (Sprehn/Meagor).

These are the 2007 Board of Directors:

**2007 Executive Committee:** Scott Alber, Kent Julin, Peter Martin and Eva DeNegri.

**2007 Board Members Whose Terms Expire January 2008:** Scott Alber, Chris Bramham, Matthew Carbone, Eva DeNegri, Kent Julin, Peter Martin, Casey May, Gary Miltimore and Alex Naar.

**2007 Board Members Whose Terms Expire January 2009:** Greg Holquist, Mary Ellen Irwin, Emily Johnson, Roger Meagor, Michael Meszaros, Paul Smith and Roger Sprehn.

**4. Minutes of December 8, 2006 meeting were reviewed and approved as submitted with one change.**

(Meszaros/Martin)

- a. Change item under "Video Project Update": John Van Daam's name is spelled incorrectly.

**5. Treasurer's Report:**

Coordinator Lynne Osgood reported the following.

- CSAA Insurance is willing to donate \$5,000 to \$10,000 for the video project on the condition that FSM acquire five million dollars in liability insurance (this is non-negotiable). This will cost FSM \$865.00 extra as we already carry a one million dollar policy. There was a discussion about CSAA possibly donating FSM the extra \$800 to help cover the increased insurance. The Board agreed to go to County Counsel and ask whether five million is too much for CSAA to ask (the Board members had differing views). The Board also agreed to see if CSAA will donate the extra \$800.
- FSM received \$10,000 from the County Supervisors for Lynne's position .
- Lynne completed a Homeland Security Grant and a Chipper Day Grant
- The new Treasurer, Pete Martin, has a new email address: [petemartin@comcast.net](mailto:petemartin@comcast.net).
- Lynne was able to get the auditor to bring their price down a bit on the audit for 2005. An audit is only required if FSM receives more than \$500,000 in federal funding.

**Checks were reviewed and filed for audit.**

**6. Presentation by Chris Godley giving an overview of the mission and activities of the Marin County Sheriff Office of Emergency Services.**

**10:00AM BREAK**

**7. Presentation and GIS demonstration by Mike Swezy and Nick Salcedo of MMWD: "MMWD Mt. Tamalpais Area Vegetation Management Plan – Fuel Break Revision."**

**8. Other Business/Once Around the Table:**

- a. **Carl Sanders (MMWD).** MMWD is working on a fuel break on lower Railroad Grade and doing some burning.
- b. **Ken Massucco (MCFD).** Regarding the county-wide vegetation plan, they will take the plan to the public to get support for an initiative. They will aim to poll one thousand residents starting on February 1. This will drive whether they go ahead with the program. Ultimately this plan will need to generate money to fund ten years of vegetation management services.
- c. **Mike Meszaros (IPUD/Fire).** Told the council about the recent fire of a historic Inverness inn (went to second alarm). The town's major water source was depleted by the response effort, and the mains went dry. This created the possibility of a bacterial agent getting into the water supply for Inverness. They utilized the TENS system by OES to notify the residents that there was a boil water notice in effect. TENS was utilized again a few days later to say that water was potable again. The group thought it was interesting that a single building could deplete the water supply.
- d. **Roger Sprehn (CMFD).** For the fire prevention officers the deadline for the Fire Safe Council Clearinghouse is February 16, 2007 (primarily federal funds).
- e. **Alex Naar (NPS).** Jennifer Chapman put out two publications on the challenges of dealing with eucalyptus, "our favorite trees."

**9. Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1103 hours (Johnson/Holquist).**

Respectfully submitted,

*Eva A. DeNegri*

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