

Alpine Fire Safe Council

Approved Minutes
December 28, 2009
6:00 pm, Woodfords Fire Station

The meeting of the Alpine Fire Safe Council was called to order by Al Moss, Chair, at 6:13 pm at the Woodfords Fire Station, Markleeville, CA 96120.

Present:

Al Moss	FSC Board	Woodfords Resident
Kris Hartnett	FSC Board	Markleeville Resident
Dave Mills	FSC Board	Woodfords Resident
Shirley Taylor	FSC Board	Woodfords Resident
Steve Yonker	FSC Board	Woodfords Resident
Jeff Brees	Coordinator	Markleeville Resident
Will Richmond	Alpine County Dist Attorney	Woodfords Resident
Tom Sweeney	Alpine County Supervisor	Woodfords Resident

Absent:

Jerry Andrews	FSC Board	Markleeville Resident
David Griffith	FSC Board	Woodfords Resident

I. Call to order

II. Introductions

III. Approve corrected minutes of November 30, 2009 meeting.

Motion to approve.

Motion: Kris Hartnett Second: Dave Mills

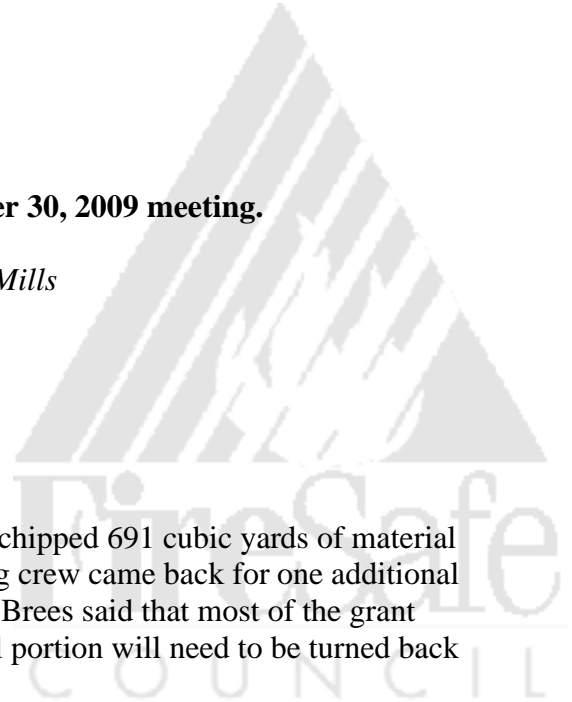
All ayes. Motion carried.

IV. Volunteer Time Sheets

V. Old Business

a. Update on Fall Chipping Program.

Brees reported that the chipping crew chipped 691 cubic yards of material this fall. Brees added that the chipping crew came back for one additional day of work in the area in December. Brees said that most of the grant money was expended and only a small portion will need to be turned back to the grantor.



VI. New Business

- a. Discussion and possible action to amend 2008 Title III budget for submission to Board of Supervisors at January 5, 2010 meeting. Brees distributed a copy of the status of the FSC grant funds. Brees explained that FSC was over budget on the administrative line item by \$286.70 for the 2008 Title III grant. Brees went on to say that the FSC needed to consider shifting some money to the administrative line item. Moss questioned what affect it would have on project funding to shift funds between budgeted line items. Brees explained that once the money for Title III is shifted to the administrative line item then the Title III funds cannot be backfilled. Brees said that if they receive RAC money then they can budget for those same projects with RAC dollars. Brees added that if the RAC funds are not received then grant applications can still be submitted, but the FSC meetings will be on a volunteer basis. Brees said that he would still be able to work as a project manager on the grants. Moss questioned the status of the RAC. Brees said that he has not heard anything, but three dates were put out for consideration for a meeting. Hartnett mentioned that he had spoken with Terry Woodrow and none of the proposed meeting dates would work for her. Brees said that once the grants are awarded, it will be a month or so later before funding would be available, which could be March or April. Moss questioned when the FSC would need to consider continuing on as a volunteer program. Brees suggested setting a date and if funding is in favor of the FSC then a volunteer program will not be necessary. It was agreed to discuss the organization and financial future of the FSC at the January meeting. Mills questioned how much money per month was needed to continue functioning. Brees estimated that about \$700 was need to continue with minimal work. Brees added that there is enough money in Title III to do all the projects budgeted and still pull out \$2800 to cover about 4 months of administrative costs. Brees recommended that the funds be pulled out of the 2006 Title III grant. A motion was made to shift \$2800 from the 2006 Title III grant to the administrative line item.

Motion to approve.

Motion: Steve Yonker

Second: Kris Hartnett

All ayes. Motion carried.

Taylor asked that at the January meeting detail be provided to the Board regarding what would be needed to run the FSC if Brees and Radelfinger were not employed. Moss questioned other ways to generate income for the FSC if RAC funding was not available. Brees suggested that prioritized job duties be provided for the next meeting. Brees added that there were other agencies they could look to for possible funding, such as the air quality control board. Brees suggested that he could speak to Lynn Nolan to determine if she was available for grant writing and research. After much discussion, it was agreed that for the January meeting

Radelfinger and Brees would provide a list of their job details along with a list of known funding sources and Brees would speak with Lynn Nolan about grant opportunities.

b. Staff reports.

Brees reported that he is working at Kirkwood Mondays through Thursday and is unavailable except by cell phone.

Moss asked that they begin planning for the community meetings at the January meeting. Brees agreed that they could continue to proceed with the organization of the spring community meetings.

Taylor suggested that the RAC needs to be contacted to encourage them to meet and asked for contact information and background education to begin the process. Hartnett said that he would provide contact information to Taylor. Moss suggested that the FSC write a letter to RAC. It was agreed to send a letter to the RAC encouraging them to meet.

c. Board member comments.

In regards to the siren to be mounted on the Markleeville Water Company's water tank, Hartnett said that he needs to get approval from the Water Company to connect the siren to the their meter and then Fritz Thornburg and himself will put the line in when the snow melts.

VII. Adjournment

Set next meeting at the Markleeville Fire Station at 6:00 pm on Monday, January 25, 2010.

Motion to approve.

Motion: Kris Hartnett Second: Steve Yonker

All ayes. Motion carried