



*Rogue Valley Fire Prevention Cooperative
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Meeting Minutes

July 14, 2010

Grants Pass Fire/Rescue, Hillcrest Station

Call to Order: 10:10 am

Attendees: Charles Chase, Carey Chaput, Brian Pike, Brian Bolstad, Mike Hanna, Bill Lupton, Neil Benson, Ashley Du Brey, Teresa Burkhart

Meeting minutes: May minutes approved with the correction noted under O & E that the Wildfire Evacuation Book is complete.

Financial Report: Carey Shared the Monthly Treasurer Report. O & E balance=\$11,012.83 and Co-op balance=\$3973.18. Annual dues have been received from Jacksonville Fire.

Committee Reports:

O & E:

- The updated Co-op website has been posted. There was discussion that the home page should include photos and summaries of recent incidents from co-op members to generate continual viewing. If you would like to submit something contact Teresa (tburkhart@odf.state.or.us)
- The second "Firebrand" Newsletter has been published and has been distributed in Jackson Co, more copies have been ordered to be circulated to Josephine Co residents. The "Firebrand" has also been posted on the Co-op website under the "About Us" tab.
- Josephine County received a Title III O&E grant to fund one person to work out of the Grants Pass ODF Unit. John O'Conner will be transferring to that office and will continue his efforts to generate more volunteers for the Prevention Team. He will also be providing assistance w/ public meetings and conduct Wildfire O&E Education Meetings. John can be reached at (541) 621-1168.
- The public survey that Sandy Shaffer designed is available. \$30,000 has been budgeted out of the O&E fund for this survey.
- Shady Cove Firewise have selected an Annual Spring Clean Up day, this will fulfill the requirement of Firewise communities to have an annual event.
- The Wolf Creek Evacuation Book has been completed and mailed to all the residents in Wolf Creek. Volunteer Firefighters will be hired and trained to go door to door to answer questions and to make sure residents have received the book. To request a copy contact Lou Gugliotta.
- Social Service Agencies will be distributing the Ready Books in both counties. Ready Books were ordered at \$12.00 each.





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- JCIFP completed a video highlighting 2009 O&E and Risk Assessment projects. The video is 10-11 min long and includes success stories from fuel reduction work. The final annual report is being put together.

FS Trailer:

- The Fire Safety House is now being stored at the Hillcrest Station. If you would like to request it for an event contact Kelly Bush (541) 450-6200.
- Co-op members are looking forward to viewing the final checklist and training video for the Safety House.

Old Business:

- Ashley received price quotes for the Co-op calendars. Prices ranged from \$1,500 to \$3,000 for 500 calendars. Co-op would like to find the funding to purchase at least 2,000. There was discussion about splitting the cost with Co-op member agencies purchase a month, also the possibility of having Cascade Fire or Home Depot contributing for an advertisement spot.

New Business:

- Charles has an agreement with an ODOT official to use the message boards on the freeway. The boards will provide one-line safety messages from our PSAs during critical times, and could also provide animal evacuation information in the future.
- Douglas Co FPC will be holding its second annual Prevention Conference in Roseburg, Oct 6-9th. Last year it was estimated that 40,000 people attended, Charlie and Carey will be attending.
- Carey received two Checking/Savings debit cards for the Co-op account. She has issued one to Brian Ballou and will check with Joe Hyatt at the next meeting to see if he would like one for the Fire House Trailer.
- Letters to School officials outlining fire prevention opportunities need to be mailed around the latter part of August as this is when the teachers are getting organized for the school year. Rainbow Valley DVD information will be sent out as well. The teachers that have used the DVDs have provided a lot of positive feedback.

Good of the Order:

- Grants Pass Fire responded to 54 firework-related calls on the fourth. Only three fires resulted, all smaller than one hundredth of an acre.
- Grants Pass also hosted a training day for school teachers. 14 teachers attended to learn fire and safety curriculum.

Adjournment: 11:45am

Next meeting: August 11, 10:00am JCFD3-Admin building

