

Firewise Resource Committee Meeting Minutes

March 7, 2022, at 12 PM

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Meeting ID: 826 9153 7186 Passcode: 468038

Voting Members: Iris Harrell, Marianne Neufeld, David Watts, Jackie Ryan, Mary Rychly, Chris Nota, Burt Schraga

Non-Voting Members: Lesli Lee, Ken Smith, Louisa Knabe, Genie Nowicki, Joanne Davey

Staff Liaison: Danielle Hannigan, Christel Antone

Meeting called to order at 12:00 PM

Meeting Minutes (2/7/22): Approved and Seconded

Reports:

1. **Updates on Firewise events – Katy Carrel**

- \$50k budget for both weeks of Junk the Junipers and the Fire Safe Fair has been approved. Volunteer schedule is full for first week of Junk the Junipers; Cal Republic Trees have been selected for chipping. Junk the Junipers banners to be placed at the Pythian and Oakmont Drive entrances. Jackie and Katy will continue working on Inside Oakmont and Oakmont News articles for continued promotion of Firewise events.
- Resident contractor Bob Obrien will donate hauling services to Oakmonters during the first week of Junk the Junipers.

2. **SEC Proposal**

- Their 2022 Proposal for Oakmont firewise resiliency has been narrowed down to 5 of their specific items to generate Board approval; more information to come at next Firewise meeting after Christel and Bill Wells, Facilities Manager flush out more detail. 5 items to focus on were:
 - A. Item 3 under planning- “investigate & develop specific treatment recommendation for high fire danger areas in Oakmont not yet done by SEC-Stonebridge & OVA property close to Channel Drive, Hwy 12 corridor, & all streams and channels on OVA properties
 - B. Develop a maintenance plan/manual for OVA shared properties, recommendations for sub HOAS & individual Oakmont property owners in the defensible space zone & surrounding wildlands, including creeks & Oakmont Drive medians.
 - C. More funds to lead to GRANT opportunities for Oakmont when SEC sees something we have a good chance of getting. (Ex. Current grant application they are filing for at Annadel boundary with Oakmont homes.).
 - D. Written Best Management Practices (BMPs) for specific Oakmont sites and for general landscape maintenance.
 - E. Major street exits in Oakmont during mandatory evacuation-detail recommendations with photos and description.

3. **Progress report on 5-30 ft assessor guidelines – Dave Watts**

- Committee discussed redline edits and “considerations” (not policy but recommendations/situational commentary). Discussion surrounding inclusion of term “defensible space bubble” when referring to trees & vegetation within the 0-5 ft zone, what happens to fruit trees within the 0-5 defensible space and vegetation around the 5-foot border that may intrude into this area? Dave will implement feedback and combine with 0-5 ft documents and return his edits to the committee.