



## OFSC Minutes of 10-13-18 Meeting

Members and guests present:

Ken Benson

Doug Mosher

Steve Hanson

Lisa Jacobs

Martin Matarrese

Nick Vigilante

Robert Sieben

Dee Rosario

Michael Kilian

Gene Sunnen

Sue Piper

Roger Phelps

Lin Barron

Minutes—accepted as mailed

Treasurer's Report: 19,047, including 1450 from mailings 1900 earmarked for Garden Maintenance.

Benchmark—Met with Nuin Tara Key State of CA Office of Planning and Research and they are doing a central clearing house on wildfire prevention

Vegetation Management—waiting for report

FEMA going to reconsider application once we get the VMP and we will send out info about what we were looking for, be on the lookout around Thanksgiving timeframe.

Parking in the hills/Evacuation routes-Request to Dan Kalb to put this on the Public Works Committee -How do you widen a road that is already here—controlling the parking—takes political will and budget to do it. Some best practices—Mill Valley, uses paint along the side of the road—measure the width of the street—controlling parking. Marin County does the transportation studies, makes evacuation information available to other agencies.

Steve Hanson mentioned that there were studies in 1991—nothing was implemented or required from those transportation studies.

Education—City not doing enough outreach should promote the new signs city wide—Best practices—In Marin—150 foot from the sign in either way—paint that limit in each direction, marked on the road Lisa-Instituting no parking on 16 streets under 19 feet wide—signs going up in January, letters went out now, in January put notices in parked cars, February issue parking citations—OPD do have on red flag days- they prioritizing when able, to look for people in parks smoking—proactive. FYI, California is legal to move state—once an incident has been declare, first responders have right to forcibly move the vehicle.

Steve—responsibility for keeping roads clear it is the Fire Marshal OFSC surveyed every street—know where problems are—and information was given to Transportation Team

Outreach to realtors—disclosure in real estate sales

Proposal for outreach—Doug Mosher

80 organized neighborhoods in Montclair at various levels - some getting started, some very organized—for emergency prep, many had CORE training and neighborhood watch groups—goal to have all of Montclair. 5-6 years ago, CORE holds an annual City wide exercise—20 participate, this year only 4 or 5—number of organized neighborhoods have dropped—have to keep at it.

Need a concerted effort to address these issues-, someone who is leading it full time—not volunteer

Community based plan—make it a community effort to get people organized, take training, and look at evacuation planning/training.

Everyone is going to evacuate to the west—maybe the East is better—through the parks, other access

Promoting Firewise Communities, CORE,

Emergency shelters and supplies—3 in the Oakland Hills—west of 13, not maintained High schools and middle schools—need to look at those and improve

Emergency supplies—Organized neighborhoods to have own supplies for neighborhood—boost Organized neighborhoods in own command centers

Radio communications—CORE teaches, but we don't have a network, there is a HAM network at fire stations—Berkeley has done something

With private institutions, merchant districts, public institutions, EBRP

Needs to address wildfire, and we are earthquake overdue—the proposal needs to be funded—come up with a way through Grants, market this through the hills and put a team to together Bob Sieben commented that forming Firewise community—went to training session—takes 5 years to set up, have to redo it every year.

Ken moved and Nick seconded a motion in forming a subcommittee to pursue the organizing effort—Passed unanimously.

Nick Ken, Steve, and Dinah agreed to be on the subcommittee with Doug.

Claremont Canyon Strategy

Waiting to hear from Vince about legal okay for volunteers to do pre inspection walk-throughs with Sue to follow up with Vincent.

Outreach

Described Capitol Impact on 10/3

Key points- support for LRAs,

Standards for different types of WUIs

Need a regional wildfire prevention district—pilot for Alameda and Contra Costa

Top down requirement on 10 feet—from national re standards – from Bob

Vince—limbs under deck or overhanging the house—or anything 6” from window

State approved Funding for LRAs for wildfire prevention grants—waiting to see what the criteria is—if it is the typical CalFire grant—we won’t be eligible

Gavin Newsom—wildfire prevention will continue to be a high priority.

Outreach for house parties

WPAD—opposition in last race—annual maintenance is responsibility of City of Oakland—known known, City needs to maintain parks, roads, no parking signs

Budget Cycle—funding for wildfire prevention good effort—Authority, responsibility, accountability:

Authority for passing budget—City Council

Responsibility—Mayor’s office

Accountability—City Administrator

PG&E—Bob—coordinated with EBMD—reservoirs in north end, tend to be down low—water has to be pumped up hill. Pumping station—favorite place to hang out putting a cyclone fence around pumping station. If power cut off—in our area, because of power lines underground, can do inspections quickly—power up and running quickly—huge lines

EBMUD and PG&E have a generator that kicks off if power goes out.

Streets have swimming pools

Lisa—set up meeting with City administrator re PG&E black out session.

OPD—does not want black PG&E blackouts

Nick—August 24, rep from City of Oakland, met with PG&E reps—City sent PG&E a communiqué regarding its concerns. He filed a document discovery request—all those communicate's and response from PG&E.

Vitaly has agreed to come back to NHCA Public Safety meeting in November and claims to have a much clearer message from PG&E.

Key contact in state of CA—Elizaveta Malashenko, Director of CUPC safety—San Diego implemented this approach 12 years ago as a result of Cedar and Matthews fires.

Open Forum

Roger Phelps mentioned Monan Street—open space, weeds, overgrown eucalyptus trees by power pole, pile of old telephone poles—PG&E responded within 15 minutes, PG&E truck - as long as power line is 4 feet from tree they (PG&E) would not do anything about it. ; 800 743-5000 (PG&E number to call)

Roger—losing communication—shut off electricity—could lose communication—Doug Mosher offered to talk with Roger about radios after the meeting.

Lisa or Steve gave the name of Alexandra McBride—the City of Oakland's new Chief Resiliency officer

November 17 the next meeting and then meeting was adjourned.