



Oakland Firesafe Council

Board Meeting

June 3, 2017

33 Hiller Drive, Oakland 94618

10:00 am- Noon

Meeting Minutes

Members present: Michael Kilian, Ken Benson, Dinah Benson, Nick Vigilante, Carolyn Burgess, Robert Sieben, Sue Piper, and Steve Hanson

1. Approval of Minutes- Minutes approved
2. Treasurer's Report- \$652 in account and \$396 for the mail box—renewed for another year.
3. Old Business
 - a. Wildfire Prevention Budget – no mention but did discuss City Budget meetings and need to advocate. Ken will send out City Budget link and ask people to spread the word. Get through this budget and get a new fire chief.
 - b. Public Safety Committee Meetings Feedback – Public Safety Committee on 13th – alert people from MSIC but also NHCA to attend and speak.
 - c. Vegetation Management Plan- Initial plan to be available in September.
 - d. Gateway Fire Resistant Garden- Discussed using money from Claremont (see Treasurer's Report) and transfer to NHCA and have them take over maintaining the garden. Board discussed having an agreement with NHCA.
 - e. Parking in the Hills/Evacuation Routes – Board wondered if the 'study' had stalled and Sue said that she would reach out to Anne Campbell-Washington and check on status.
4. Oakland Fire Chief Search- After a brief discussion the Board asked Sue to ask Hoffmann/DeVries about serving on the interview panel.
5. Continuing Discussion on Structure of a New Wildfire Prevention District- Board is not doing further research on topic it has decided to push the City to complete the Vegetation Management Plan before considering a future District.



6. Oakland City Budget and Board discussed strategies and tactics for pushing its positions on wildfire inspectors and post WPAD clearance and goat grazing needs.
7. State Farm Grant-- Education-- \$25,000 to do Bob's book—as part of education and community outreach—Board approved Chair to pursue if desired.
8. Next Meeting- August 19th at 10:00 am at 33 Hiller Drive, Oakland, CA (Sue Pipers).