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Emigration Canyon Community Council (ECCC)

Emigration Canyon Community Council Minutes

August 11th, 2015

Emigration Canyon Fire Station

7:00 PM

Officers Present: Rick Raile; Chair, Steve Borst; Co-Chair, Lincoln Nehring; Treasurer, Jessica Steed; Secretary.

Members Present: Gary Bowen, Joe Smolka, Kathy Christensen, Tyler Tippetts, Jen Hawkes, Pat Struhs.

Community Representatives Present: Rita Lund; SLCO, Officer Rusty Wright; UPD.

Welcome. Rick Raile.

Approval of the Minutes: Yes (other than change Tyler Tippetts name to be consistent throughout)

Presentations:

In audience: David Ward (SLCBAC) and Kate Miyagi (HOA upper Pinecrest)

Brianna Binnabose (DNR)

She talked about how we need to update our CWPP--our Community Wildfire Protection Plan. Keeps us in the running for funding assistance (because we have a CWPP). Wants to do firebreaks, particularly in Pinecrest. She wants to work together with our community to update our fire plan. Working with police and fire departments to come up with an evacuation plan. She has put in the grant for \$225,000 (\$300,000). We really need to get the plan updated so they can get more funds to us, including FEMA grants. Her office tries to figure out a lot more about our community—who are the community leaders, what are the red flag areas, do residents have equipment? They are willing to go door-to-door, flyers, come to meetings, etc. Wants the plan to come from us, not from her, so that people are more agreeable. She said the documents are fluid and we can update them every year about contact info and schools, roads, etc. We need the entire document filled out. Gary pointed out the FCOZ—he said we can't proceed forward without approval from the county first. Brianna Binnabose said she's very familiar with the FCOZ but she doesn't want to go to bat with the county if we aren't in support of the projects they suggest for us. Kathy Christensen asked all in favor, no one opposed. Since we want this, this is when they start moving forward. Steve Birchell (Rick Raile suggested) that he be the ringleader on this, but Brianna Binnabose suggested we definitely have representation from each area to speak up. Kathy Christensen asked if a person who has already had FEMA funds to work on their property if they can have it again. She said it's on a case-by-case basis. Lincoln Nehring asked what are the most important things we should focus on. She said it's best to encompass all three—roads, firebreaks, individual homes. Lincoln asked about why a firebreak is so important. Helps so they can drop fire retardant and it can get through it. It buys time to get out, airplanes can be more effective, and crews can anchor off that. When you cut the oak stump, spray herbicide to the stump, in order to maintain home breaks. Use steel 3blade brushmower to get the regrowth the year or two after you clear it out, it'll keep it cleared.

Community Preservation Education Planning

We need to supply newsletter and postcards, but it has to be approved by the county first.

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What the county is doing for education: A consultant will put together a public meeting in each township. They will do 2 postcards, including educational info, notice of meeting, etc. They will also do a voter information pamphlet, due to the lieutenant governor. This pamphlet will come out right before the elections. They have funding in place for a third postcard in case they need to send out one more. Rick wants to communicate that there is a change coming up, status quo is not an option, these are the various options you'll be able to choose from. Tyler Tippetts and Rick Raile want to do a meeting here that is a follow-up from the county, that can be more specific about how this impacts us as a canyon directly. We were given \$1397 to use for this. Rick wants to wait to see what the county comes out with and then let our mailings fill in the gaps. Joe Smolka thinks we should send out something immediately, that we are way behind. Rita Lund suggested that we tell neighbors to check out the website and to look at it, and also that Amy Winder Newton has made a blog about this that's the best description of this. It's in the toolbox on the website. Rick Raile will request funds from Patrick O Leary for a newsletter. Jen Hawkes will get contacts from Rita Lund about the postcard and the newsletter.

Rita Lund—SLCo Council Report

Transportation tax will be on the ballot. Opposition wanted it on the ballot for a bigger turn-out year.

Today they approved the ZAP information.

Rita asked for ideas for ways to use funds (restrooms, Kilyons, etc). We are in the north planning area, most of the things in the north area are in other areas. Please send ideas to her.

Officer Rusty Wright

67 calls, 20 reports. No major crime, just one burglary, calls for trespassing and skateboarders up the Oaks. Citations were down in July—the speeds are down. Noise ordinance enforcement has begun. It's a class B misdemeanor. A lot of the motorcycle owners have no clue their bike is illegal. 70% motorcycles have these illegal pipes. Needs to be something to do with registration. Skateboarders up the Oaks, calls for trespassing.

Joe Smolka

ECRIC dates for the next community council meeting are the 25th, the public open house Sept 3. Things are progressing as they should be. Canyon Historical Society is preparing to add a chapter and then put it online and a person could order it individually. They want 2 pages of history from the community council. Rick suggested he and Joe collaborate. Kathy suggested we look back on the old minutes.

Jen Hawkes

She showed the new and awesome kiosk signage design.

Steve Borst

Problems up Kilyons: Lincoln Nehring stated that the neighborhood doesn't want a sign until the other issues are resolved. Rita Lund said she talked to Patrick O'Leary today—they will do a meeting with everyone involved. Need to pave over the culvert—it was supposed to happen two years ago. Hopefully this meeting can resolve some of these issues. Steve Borst doesn't know that there is anyone spearheading that effort to make a decision to buy some of that property, in the meantime the barriers have been up for a year. Steve Borst outlined the priorities up there: the safety issue is the first, then signage to explain what's supposed to happen in the canyon, then paving last. Rita Lund pointed out that it's a good match for the FEMA grant. Kilyon's residents should ask for another meeting with Patrick O'Leary. Steve Borst also asked about internet connection up there (a resident asked if we could work on this). Rick Raile said that he is working on this every day.

Adjourn: 9:00

Next meeting: October, 2015

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