

## EMIGRATION CANYON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### Minutes for January 22, 2019

Emigration Canyon Firehouse  
5025 Emigration Canyon Road, Salt Lake City, UT 84108

**Members Present:** Steve Borst, Chair; Paul Brown, Co-Chair; Kate Miyagi, Secretary; Stephanie Harpst; Bill Tobey; Lisa Schneider; Gary Bowen, Dan Anderson; Claire Clark; Rin Harris

**Members Excused/Absent:** none

Also present: Jake Elsasser, UPD; Eric Hawkes, EID Manager; Michael Jimenez; Willy Stokman; Tyler Tippetts

The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm by Steve Borst. The secretary noted that a quorum was present. November's minutes were distributed prior to the meeting and were approved as distributed.

#### **Welcome New ECCC Members - Steve Borst**

Steve welcomed the newly-elected council members, Claire Clark and Rin Harris, who were elected to a 4 year term, 2019-2022, in the 11/6/18 election. Steve said he received a resignation letter from Suzanne Plumb in December; thus, another seat is currently open. Mike Jimenez was the runner up in November's election. Gary moved to nominate and appoint Mike Jimenez to replace Suzanne to complete her term, which ends 2020. Bill seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion carried by unanimous affirmation vote of the council. Steve thanked Tyler Tippetts, whose term ended in December, for his service to the ECCC and the entire canyon, especially for his work on Firewise.

#### **UPD Report – Jake Elsasser**

Officer Elsasser reported year over year stats for calls and reports. In 2017, there were 469 calls for service with 283 initial reports taken. In 2018, there were 493 calls for service, and 266 initial reports were taken. Office Elsasser reported that December 2018 was about average, with 51 calls and 24 reports. He highlighted a few items from December. There was a suspicious male in Emigration Oaks, reported as trespassing; no reports of break-ins. Two homeowners with "Ring" security cameras caught the individual on video but he has not been located. Officer Elsasser asked community members to call on anything suspicious. There was a parking complaint at Miner's trailhead; two cars were cited. There was an auto theft of a car on Skycrest Ln; the vehicle was located later that night.

#### **UFA Report – Gary Bowen**

Mr. Bowen reported on some items relevant to the UFA in Captain Conn's absence. Gary represents the Metro Township for UFA. He said there has been discussion of making voting on the UFA board weighted by population. It's possible this will take effect about April or May of this year. EC was determined to be "medium risk" in a wildfire risk assessment. The high risk areas of the canyon are

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mostly along the main canyon road; however, this may be related to historical structure fires along the road vs. actual wildfire risk.

### **Orientation to Canyon Organizations - Steve Borst**

Steve deferred the discussion to a later joint meeting with the EC Metro Township Council & Planning Commission.

### **2019 Planning & Goals**

#### **Results of December Brainstorming Session - Lisa Schneider**

Lisa reported on some results from the informal brainstorming session that took place at the holiday party in December. She grouped the council member's stated goals into several subcategories:

1. Establish scaleable/replicable processes
2. Effective intra-agency cooperation
3. Fire safety & preparation
4. Recreational zone & trails development
5. Emergency planning & communications
6. Impartiality & transparency
7. Communications
8. Have fun collaborating & generating community engagement

#### **Breakout Groups & Reports**

Each working group spent 20 minutes in breakout sessions. The Communications group reported back on newsletter planning for 2019 with anticipated dates for newsletters and developing resources on website. Some proposed ideas include a "new resident welcome packet." Gary recommended contacting Joan Gallegos for assistance with the new resident welcome packet.

The Development group reported on progress on the trails working group. There will be a leadership meeting tomorrow. Willy Stokman (Skycrest area) asked when the next public meeting is scheduled and how it will be published; Dan replied that it has not been scheduled yet and will be published on ECCC's calendar online. Steve said in discussion with Mayor Smolka, recommendations of the trails working group are to be reviewed by the EC Planning Commission if there is any departure from the current trails plan. Paul reported on a broadband meeting he attended. Lisa reminded the group that we were asked by Mayor Smolka to come up with a list of municipal projects for presentation to the MSD and recommended this should be part of the Development group's efforts.

Safety group - Bill reported on agenda for the year for Safety team. Firewise day 2019 is scheduled for May 4th and will take place at the Fire Station. Bill is planning on two chipper days to take place in early summer. They are in the planning process to update the CWPP. He reports there is a new battalion chief of UFA's wildland bureau. Stephanie has shepherded the production of 150 house number signs with the goal of reaching everyone else in the canyon in 2019.

#### **EC Metro Township Council Proposed Ordinance and Bylaws Update - discussion**

Steve had distributed the proposed ordinance establishing a relationship between the EC Metro

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Township Council and the community council. Steve said we have been asked for feedback on the proposed ordinance and Bob Paine from ECMTC has been assigned to work with us on this. Lisa suggested we form a small working group. Willy asked if the proposed ordinance changes the org chart in the general plan; Steve replied that the 2012 general plan refers to the relationship between ECCC and the County prior to incorporation, and the proposed ordinance would establish a relationship with our new local governance.

### **Election of Officers - Steve Borst**

Steve said that the 2 year term (2017-2018) for the officers is up. Steve nominated Paul Brown to fill the role of Treasurer, as our current Treasurer is resigning. Rin seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. The vote was unanimous in favor of Paul Brown assuming the role of Treasurer. Steve nominated Kate Miyagi to continue as Secretary. Paul seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. The vote was unanimous in favor of Kate continuing in the role of Secretary. Paul nominated Lisa Schneider to fill the position of Vice Chair, which he will be vacating to serve as Treasurer. Bill seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. The vote was unanimous in favor of Lisa assuming the role of Vice Chair. Lisa nominated Steve Borst to serve another term as Chair. Bill seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. The vote was unanimous in favor of Steve continuing as ECCC's Chair for the 2019-2020 term.

Paul will also take on updating the bylaws.

Steve asked for suggestions for replacements on the community council for Lincoln Nehring, who has stepped away from his term (ending 2020).

### **Community Comment**

Willy Stokman asked about water issues. Steve said he has distributed several documents relevant to water supply and asked ECCC members to please come prepared next meeting to talk them.

Motion to adjourn at 9:34 pm.

Next Meeting: February 12th, 7PM at Station 119