

EMIGRATION CANYON COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes for May 14, 2019

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

Members Present: Steve Borst, Chair; Paul Brown, Treasurer; Kate Miyagi, Secretary; Gary Bowen; Rin Harris; Mike Jimenez; Bill Tobey; Claire Clark; Dan Anderson

Members Excused/Absent: Stephanie Harpst; Lisa Schneider

Also present: Jake Elsasser, UPD; Michael Conn, UFA; Joe Smolka, Mayor

The meeting was called to order at 7:05PM by Steve Borst. A quorum was present.

7:00 PM STAFF MEETING

Subcommittees met separately during the staff meeting.

7:30 PM PUBLIC MEETING

April's minutes were distributed prior to the meeting. Amendments were suggested by Lisa Schneider prior to the meeting and the amendments were distributed at the meeting. The minutes were approved as amended.

Treasurer's Report

Paul Brown reported on expenses for April including Firewise and the newsletter.

UFA Report

Captain Conn - UFA has a designated fuels crew this year; a small team that can help with fuel mitigation projects. This crew will help with chipper days. Individual residents can submit any mitigation work that they do to be counted towards matching. UFA has a poster with a QR code. These efforts go into cost sharing with the state and is important for reducing our obligation for any potential event. Bill Tobey says he has been collecting some information from residents who participated in chipper day last fall; he recorded over 800 hours last year. Kate to send info in an email and link up on website. Bill Tobey to draft email.

UFA's safety message for April was swiftwater awareness. UFA had to postpone some swiftwater trainings because the water is so fast & dangerous.

UPD Report – Jake Elsasser

Officer Elsasser gave UPD's report. In April, there were 50 calls for service and 14 reports taken.

Subcommittee Reports

1. Communications
 - a. Kate reported we have a new system for ordering house number signs which will hopefully make the ordering process more user friendly. Rin would like to put t-shirt ordering online as well. We are planning an email in May to ask for volunteers for the Planning Commission and for folks to file their candidacy with the County Clerk for election in the fall for Metro Township Council (filing dates are June 3-7).
2. Safety
 - a. Bill reported on Firewise. Next week UFA chipper crews are coming next week starting Tuesday and will be making the rounds of the canyon. If they are not able to get around to everyone, they will return at the first opportunity. Bill said he attended a class on assessing the ignition potential of structures in wildfire zones. He learned that embers that get into the vents or grass fires or debris up against the house are most likely to ignite a structure; the first 5 feet are the most important.
3. Development
 - a. Dan presented on the trails working group progress. The trails working group has begun summarizing their findings. Each trailhead and trail on the 2007 trails plan was evaluated with a SWOT analysis and rated on a scale of feasibility. Dan presented their initial analysis for each trailhead and trail. Potential trails that were not part of the 2007 trails plan are to be evaluated in a separate analysis.

Community Comment Period

None

Other Business

Paul Brown reported that Sinjin Steed filled sandbags in various places throughout the canyon for residents to use as part of his Eagle Scout project.

Governance

Other Business

None.

Motion to adjourn at 9:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: June 11th, 7PM at Station 119